# Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees York School District One 1475 East Liberty Street York, South Carolina 29745 Tuesday, May 10, 2022

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d) as amended, *The Herald, Charlotte Observer*, *WRHI Radio*, *Cable News Two and News 19 (Columbia*) were properly notified of the date, place, and time of the meeting. The regularly scheduled meeting of the York School District One Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 and began at 6:30 PM. The public was notified through the news media mentioned. An agenda for the meeting was posted on BoardDocs and the district's website.

Chair Revels called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. It was noted that there was no one present from the media. Reverend Jordan Bernard, York A.R.P. Church, York, gave the invocation. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the USA flag led by Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center students, Ella Burroughs and Olivia Dover. Chair Revels noted that Charles Graham signed up to speak during the public forum. A quorum was established with the following Board members present:

Christopher Revels, Chair Betty F. Johnson, Vice-Chair Wade Anderson Tracy Miskelly, Secretary Scott Childers
Diane Howell

David McSwain

Mrs. Kelly Coxe, District Superintendent

Action: Consent Agenda

**Motion** Diane Howell made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Betty F. Johnson

seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

#### **Public Forum**

Mr. Charles Graham shared his concerns regarding fentanyl overdoes and mental health issues and treatments among York County youth as well as made suggestions to address the concerns..

Chair Revels thanked Mr. Graham for sharing with the Board.

# Strategic Agenda Spotlight Recognitions

Mrs. Coxe recognized several Strategic Agenda Spotlight teachers for their work with the district's Blended Learning initiative. The following teachers were highlighted:

- ❖ Samantha McCall (HSES)
- Krystle Mizwa (HCJES)
- Jeniffer Bierman (HCJES)

- Tierney Norris (YIS)
- Tara Nyegaard (YIS)
- Sara Perkins (YCHS)

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#### **Retiree Recognitions**

The following retirees were honored for their years of service with the district and presented with a crystal plague.

| Name                        | Position                                  | Years Experience<br>With YSD1 |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Ms. Marcella Michele Alston | Special Education Teacher                 | 18                            |
| Ms. Rita Gail Atchley       | Cafeteria Manager                         | 28                            |
| Ms. Sheryl Blanks           | Special Education Teacher                 | 9                             |
| Ms. Patti Fowler            | 4th Grade Teacher                         | 14                            |
| Ms. Jane Guerry             | Business Education Teacher                | 28                            |
| Ms. Cristi Kemp             | Social Studies Teacher                    | 25                            |
| Ms. Deborah Lancaster       | English Language Arts Teacher - 6th grade | 24                            |
| Mr. David Lancaster         | Instructional Assistant                   | 18                            |
| Mrs. Regina Love            | Receptionist                              | 22.5                          |
| Ms. Pamela McDonald         | Medicaid/Homebound Coordinator            | 3.5                           |
| Ms. Amy McSwain             | 4th Grade Teacher                         | 20                            |
| Ms. Wanda Milem             | Bookkeeper                                | 20                            |
| Ms. Beverly Mitchell        | Music Teacher                             | 40                            |
| Ms. Karen Ransom            | Athletics Secretary                       | 20                            |
| Ms. Sara Rhodes             | Bus Driver                                | 28.5                          |
| Ms. Lisa Roberts            | English Language Arts Teacher - 7th Grade | 37                            |
| Mrs. Judy Suggs             | Reading Interventionist                   | 28                            |

# Strategic Agenda Spotlight

# Pre-Pilot Blended Learning Professional Development

Mr. Tim Cooper, Coordinator of Instructional Technology (K-6)

Ms. Becky Funderburk, Coordinator of Instructional Technology Integration (7-12)

In keeping with the district's strategic goal to "create quality opportunities for ongoing learning for students and staff in order to promote innovation and flexibility" and several of the district beliefs, the district is excited to recognize 31 teachers who participated in a pre-pilot of cohort of teachers studying blended learning practices for their classroom instruction. These teachers completed 18 hours of work in a variety of online and in-person activities and meetings, received personalized coaching from our Instructional Technology Specialists and Coordinators, and tested out new ideas in their classroom this school year. They received digital badges at the completion of each part of the course, and the cohort will continue to receive support through goal setting on student centered learning practices.

The following teachers were recognized for their work in the district's Blended Learning pre-pilot and their efforts to focus on student centered learning:

#### Elementary:

- Crystal Applegate, JES
- Jeniffer Bierman, HCJES
- Ryan Clemence, HGSES
- Sarah Clemence, HGSES
- Samantha McCall, HSES
- Courtney McSwain, HSES
- Charity Meadows, HGSES
- Krystle Mizwa, HCJES
- Sherry Nelson, JES
- Sara Nivens, CBES
- Rachael Shriver, HGSES
- Dalynn Wallace, HSES
- Haley Whitesides, HCJES
- Terrance Wilson, HCJES
- Rita Woodley, CBES

# Secondary:

- Juliette Bennett, YIS
- Kathryn Green, YIS
- Anna Grice, YMS
- Bettina Kness, YMS
- Kelli Mew, YMS
- Mendy Mitchell, YIS
- Sharon Morrison, YCHS
- Tierney Norris, YIS
- Tara Nyegaard, YIS
- Jaime Odom, YIS
- Ashley Oliver, YIS
- Sara Perkins, YCHS
- Tammy Sewell, YCHS
- ❖ Laurie Steen, YCHS
- Jessica Ellison, YCHS
- ❖ Justin Zaleski, YCHS

# **Student Recognitions**

York Comprehensive High School Mrs. Donna Farris, Assistant Principal

# SC Teaching Fellows

The Board congratulated the following students who were named SC Teaching Fellows.

- Madison Quinn (Winthrop University)
- Laney Reel (USC Columbia)
- Ellie Lawhorn (USC Columbia)

# 4A Wrestling State Finals

Ricky Blackman, Coach

The Board applauded the following members of the YCHS Wrestling team who qualified for and placed in the Individual State Championships in February.

- ❖ Andre Johnson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, 170 lb. Weight Class
- Chris Propst, 4<sup>th</sup> Place, 106 lb. Weight Class
- ❖ Gavin Wilson, 4<sup>th</sup> Place, 145 lb. Weight Class

# Jefferson Elementary School

Mrs. Mattie Hughes, Principal

# Artwork – Displayed at the York Public Library

The Board congratulated the following students whose artwork is on display at the York Public Library:

- Penny Hammitt
- ❖ Liam O'Toole
- Jackson Rowland
- Ava Cox
- Destiny Littlejohn
- Raelyn Branch
- Aubree Hall
- Brendan Martin
- Mia Sandifer
- Kamm Crawford
- Pauvla Sanchez-Araiza
- Connor Hammond
- Kori'an Adams

### York Intermediate School

Mr. Keith McSwain, Principal

# York Electric Cooperative – 2021-2022 Children's Book Challenge

Mrs. Katherine Taylor

Amelia Berry and Henson Robbins were congratulated for being local winners of the virtual Children's Book Challenge sponsored by SC Rural Electric Cooperatives. Together, they created an ebook through "Storyjumper" platform and will now represent YREA in the state competition.

# Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center

Dr. Lee Green, Director

# 2022 DECA State Competition

Mr. Rob Farris, Advisor

Nine FCJTC DECA students competed against over 600 students from around South Carolina at the State DECA Leadership Conference. These students represented York well and did an outstanding job with every student finishing in the top 4 of their events and all 9 students qualifying for the International Competition. The Board congratulated the following students:

- Ella Burroughs and Brentley Comer, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Project Management Financial Literacy
- Sarah Beth Patterson, Avery Freeman, and Bailee Ayers, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Project Management Community Awareness
- Caroline Adams, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Employment Acquisition
- Casey Romero, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Public Speaking
- ❖ D'Asia White and Kylee Hahn, 4<sup>th</sup> Place Start Up Business Plan

# 2022 HOSA State Leadership Conference

Ms. Nickie Daves & Ms. Anna Adams, Advisors

Seventeen students competed against approximately 1,000 students from around South Carolina at the HOSA State Leadership Conference. The students represented York well and did an outstanding job with every student finishing in the top 5. Those placing in the top 3 have qualified for the HOSA International Leadership Conference this June in Nashville, Tennessee competing against students from around the world. The Board applauded the following students:

- Allison Canupp 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Medical Reading
- ❖ Caitlin Franklin 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Human Growth & Development
- ❖ Areli Salazar Perex 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Cultural Diversities & Disparities in Healthcare

- Chyenne Funderburk 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Medical Law & Ethics
- ❖ Alexis Turney 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Sports Medicine
- ❖ Kayli Sessoms 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Medical Reading
- Bailee Ayers, Sarah Beth Patterson, Peyton Alexander & Avery Freeman Top 5 Community Awareness
- ❖ Hailey Bond & Christina Amezcua Trinidad 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Healthcare Display
- ❖ Maddison Hogue & Olivia Dover 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Health Education
- ❖ Sage DiPietro, Genevieve Herrington, A'Jay Branham & Kendra Grosso 4<sup>th</sup> Place HOSA Bowl

# eSports Regionals

Ms. Ashley Stowe, Advisor

During the inaugural year of eSports at Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center, four teams competed in the Eastern Rocket League. Of those, the Fierce Cougars and the Black Cougars made it to regional finals. The following students were congratulated:

# **Team Black Cougars**

- Anthony Wherry
- Isaac Nyegaard
- Anthony Walbourne
- Zachary Allman

# **Team Fierce Cougars**

- Austin Forde
- Wyatt Mathewson
- Jeffry Trimper
- Levi Comer
- Hayden Nairn

#### York Middle School

Ms. Cassidy Valerino, Principal

# YCMSAC Conference Champions

Mr. Dwayne Morrison, Coach

Ms. Lindsey Capistran, Coach

The 2022 York Middle School Softball team was congratulated on an 11-0 Season and YCMSAC Conference Champions!

- Emma McKinney, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ Mary Grace Wallace, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Graycie Lowder, 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ Brooklyn Dial, 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ AC Lingerfelt, 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Briley Comer, 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ Karleigh Steele, 8<sup>th</sup> grade

- ❖ Sally McSwain, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Callie Lawton, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Claire Gilfillan, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- ❖ Hope Henderson, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Delaney Whitby, 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Kaylynn Laney, 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Braelyn McKillip, 8<sup>th</sup> grade

#### 2022 Junior Scholars

The following students were congratulated for qualifying to be a Junior Scholar by scoring 550 or higher on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing subtests of the PSAT or scoring 530 or higher on the Math subtest of the PSAT.

Brooklyn Thielbar
Haniya Suleiman
Sanyra Hinton
Kaleb Hamilton
Mikah Mobley
Oliver Waston
Piper Hall
Ian Roorda
Diego Martinez Castro
Noah Morrison
Adrian Gutierrez
Brenna Clinton

# **Region Band**

Mr. Dylan Sims, Band Director

Jacob Waxman

The following students were commended for qualifying for Region Band.

Brenna Clinton
 Laine Farris
 Emelyn Pacheco-Vera
 Noah Morrison
 Christian Roldan Mendoza
 Brylie Prater
 Ivy Traylor
 Maggie Hullender
 St Chair Oboe
 4th Chair Bassoon
 6th Chair Alto Saxophone
 1st Chair Contra Clarinet
 16th Chair Trumpet
 1st Chair Tuba

Additionally, two students qualified as alternates for All-State Band.

Brylie PraterMaggie Hullender3rd Alternate

# 2021-2022 Outstanding Performance Award

#### York Comprehensive High School Band

Mrs. Laura Brooks, Director

Mr. Douglas Brooks

### York Middle School Band

Mr. Dylan Sims, Band Director

York Middle School and York Comprehensive High School were congratulated for earning the Outstanding Performance Award for the 2021-2022 school year. The Outstanding Performance Award is the highest achievement for band programs in South Carolina. To earn this award, students must have demonstrated a high level of proficiency in all areas of their program.

# **Staff Recognitions**

### **Family Trust Grant Recipients**

The following teachers were congratulated for receiving Family Trust Grants.

- Mrs. Ashleigh Erb (York Intermediate School)
- Ms. Jessica Gregory (York Comprehensive High)
- Ms. Dena Wade (Cotton Belt Elementary)
- Coach Dean Boyd, Coach Mark Hoover, and Coach John Moorefield (York Comprehensive High School)
- Dr. Anne Witte (York Middle School)
- Ms. DeEtte Mann (York Intermediate School)
- Dr. Nicole Ludwa (York Intermediate School)

#### York Intermediate School

Mr. Keith McSwain, Principal

# Perks of Charity Coffee Cart

Mrs. Ashleigh Erb

Mrs. Erb and her Multi-Level 1 Class were honored for donating \$2,371.21 to local charities through the Perks of Charity Coffee Cart at York Intermediate School.

#### **DonorsChoose Grants**

Mrs. Jennifer Bolin, Principal, Cotton Belt Elementary Mrs. Jane Wallace, Principal, Hunter Street Elementary

The following teachers were congratulated for receiving DonorsChoose grants:

- Ms. Maddie Wyrick, Hunter Street Elementary
- Ms. Rachel Greer, Cotton Belt Elementary
- ❖ Ms. Vanessa Hefley, Cotton Belt Elementary
- Ms. Dena Wade, Cotton Belt Elementary

#### Cotton Belt Elementary

Mrs. Jennifer Bolin, Principal

#### **Duke Energy Grant**

Ms. Rita Woodley

Ms. Woodley was applauded for securing a \$2000 grant from Duke Energy, which funded Cotton Belt Elementary's Science STEM Night for 200 students and parents.

# York Comprehensive High School

Mrs. Donna Farris, Assistant Principal

# NHSSCA Program of Excellence

Coach Joey Moore, Athletic Director

Coach Mark Hoover

The National High School Strength Coaches Association (NHSSCA) proudly announced that York Comprehensive High School has earned the distinction Program of Excellence for the 2022-2024 period. This honor recognizes that this High School Strength & Conditioning program operates at a highest level of professionalism. To earn this honor, Coach Hoover & York Comprehensive High School displayed excellence in safety, quality, efficacy, outreach & highlighting. They have additionally displayed excellence in continuing education & technology usage in the Strength & Conditioning program. The Board applauded YCHS and Coach Hoover!

#### **District Office**

# Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Mrs. Amy Hagner

Mrs. Amy Hagner and her staff were congratulated for receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting given by the US Government Finance Officers Association for its comprehensive annual financial report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This is the 20th consecutive year that the district has received this award.

#### Cognia Review

- Mrs. Elissa Cox
- Dr. Latoya Dixon

The Cognia Review team concluded its external review on April 20. During a brief exit interview, the Team Chair, Suzie Cabe, was highly complementary of the District and commended the team for the thorough and thoughtful self-reflection. The District should receive the Preliminary Report within 30 days which will include ratings for each of the standards, an overall score, highlights of our accomplishments, and suggestions for next steps.

Although the new process does not allow the Chair to provide detailed feedback prior to the final report being approved by the Cognia Board, she did commend the district for:

- A Culture of Connectedness;
- Purpose-driven decisions and actions; and
- Supportive Professional Development.

In addition, the team was very complimentary of our Board Members, noting a strong alignment between our Mission/Vison, Board Priorities, and the Strategic Change Agenda.

The Board congratulated Mrs. Elissa Cox and Dr. Latoya Dixon for serving as co-chairs and working so diligently to ensure that this was an authentic continuous improvement process that the district can use to further its journey to becoming a learning organization. Administrators, Instructional Staff, Principals, Teachers, Parents, Community Members, and Students who made the review a success, were also thanked.

#### Connected As One Award

Mr. Kevin Queen, Director of Transportation

- Christopher Black
- Rebecca Dover

The Board thanked Christopher Black and Rebecca Dover who, when they hear of significant driver shortages, both quickly volunteer to drive a school bus to assist with getting students home at a reasonable time. Thank you for stepping up to go outside your normal job duties for the good of the students we serve.

#### Reports

2022 Summer Programs Overview

Mrs. Lisa Spangler, Coordinator of Special Projects, provided an overview of the programs that the district will offer the summer 2022.

A copy of the information shared is listed as **ATTACHMENT 1** of these minutes.

Assessment Overview

Mrs. Jessica Koon, Testing & Accountability Coordinator, shared an overview of the State Assessment Programs and a summary of the Spring 2022 MAP formative assessment results.

A copy of the PowerPoint shared is listed as **ATTACHMENT 2** of these minutes.

Transportation & Safety Update

Mr. Kevin Queen, Director of Transportation & Safety and Mrs. Daphne McNeely, Routing Coordinator provided the Board with an update. In their update, they shared the transportation mission, along with some ridership information as well as a summary of the results of the annual district safety assessment.

A copy of the PowerPoint shared is listed as **ATTACHMENT 3** of these minutes.

Budget / Legislative Update
 Mrs. Hagner provided the Board with a budget and legislative update.

Action: Policy JIHC Weapons Screening / Use of Metal Detectors – 1st Reading

Motion Tracy Miskelly made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy JIHC Weapons Screening /

Use of Metal Detectors. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by

unanimous consent of the Board.

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Action: Policy KF Community Use of School Facilities – 1st Reading

**Motion** Scott Childers made a motion to approve for 1st reading Policy KF Community Use of School

Facilities. Diane Howell seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of

the Board.

Office of Human Resources ...... Mr. Oliver Love

<u>Action:</u> Certified Resignations (End of Year)

**Motion** Betty F. Johnson made a motion to accept the certified resignations as presented. Tracy

Miskelly seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Certified Retirements

**Motion** Tracy Miskelly made a motion to accept the certified retirements as presented by the district

administration. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous

consent of the Board.

<u>Action:</u> Certified Recommendations 2022-2023

**Motion** Scott Childers made a motion to approve the certified recommendations as presented by the

district administration. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by

unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Certified Returning Retirees 2022-2023

**Motion** Betty F. Johnson made a motion to approve the certified returning retirees for the 2020-2023

school year as presented by the district administration. Diane Howell seconded the motion.

The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

District Superintendent...... Mrs. Kelly Coxe

York One Risk Assessment

Mrs. Coxe shared that the South Carolina Department of Education assigns financial risk factors to all school districts. The overall risk score is based on financial and programmatic performance as demonstrated on 10 criteria. Overall risk scores of less than 18 indicate low risk; risk scores between 19 & 28 indicate medium risk; and risk scores of 29 or higher indicate high risk. YSD1 has an overall score of "10" which is considered low risk. Mrs. Coxe commended Mrs. Hagner and her team for their hard work.

Action: Administrative Recommendation

**Motion** Diane Howell made a motion to approve the administrative recommendation as presented by

the district administration. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by

unanimous consent of the Board.

#### Upcoming Dates

Mrs. Coxe highlighted some of the upcoming dates listed below.

- May 10, 2022 @ 5:30 PM, Retiree Reception (YCHS Cafeteria)
- May 10, 2022 @ 6:30 PM, Regularly Scheduled Meeting (YCHS Auditorium)
- May 17, 2022 @ 4:00 PM, Federal Programs Meeting (virtual)
- May 18, 2022 @ 6:00 PM, Stakeholder Budget Meeting, Teams & District Board Room
- May 24, 2022 @ 6:00 PM, Board Budget / Work Session
- May 26, 2022 Half day for students & last day of school
- May 27, 2022 @ 10:00 AM, Graduation, Winthrop University (Teacher Work Day)
- May 30, 2022 Memorial Day Holiday (District Closed)
- June 3, 2022 District Closed (4-day work week begins)
- June 7, 2022 @ 6:00 PM, Board Budget Called Meeting
- June 14, 2022 @ 5:30 PM, Public Hearing of the 2022-2023 Budget
- June 14, 2022 @ 6:30 PM, Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Chair Revels noted that the Board would need an executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters.

#### **Executive Session**

| Action: | Executive Session  |
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| Motion  | Tracy Miskelly made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters (8:26 PM). Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board. |
| Motion  | Betty F. Johnson made a motion to return to open session (8:55 PM). Scott Childers seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.   |

The following action was taken by the Board when they return to open session.

# Adjourn

**Motion:** A motion was made by Tracy Miskelly to adjourn for the evening (8:56 PM). Scott Childers seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Miskelly, Secretary

Renee Webb, Recorder