

YLA Board Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2024

Board Members Present (highlighted): Betsy Anthony, Nick McClellan, Chris Elrod, Matthew Kutilek, Rebecca Willis (virtually), David Orr, Sydney Cox, Brittany Kelley, Brittany Clark, Ryan Smith, Janel Crowder (present virtually)

Others Present: Sandee Blankenship, Principal, Melissa Kennedy, Assistant Principal; Nathan Swords, Special Projects Coordinator for YLA; Bryan Lively, Summit Academy Principal

Call to Order: The YLA Board held its monthly meeting on Monday, July 8, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.. The meeting was held virtually. Betsy Anthony called the meeting to order.

Public Input: N/A

Previous Month Minutes Approved: n/a, not enough board members to vote.

Financial Statement: n/a, not enough board members to vote.

Old Business: n/a

New Business:

Blankenship reports, YLA and Summit Board elections will be held in October. At that time, board will be split to 2 boards for YLA and Summit. Plan to develop Summit board will be developed by board leadership. There will be some overlap in the two boards. At the next board meeting, Anthony, our Board Chair, will present a plan to the board for the Summit board guidelines.

Update from Blankenship, Vince the therapy dog is now living with Coach Bo in a effort to further develop his ongoing therapy dog training.

Principal's Report: Planning for the new year is in full swing. Preparing for a successful 2024-2025 school year.

Questions, Comments, Concerns: Blankenship shares that professional development for staff will focus on the YLA culture. Monthly culture meetings will take place to ensure positive culture is the focus.

Orr asks what the policy is on phones and social media on campus. Suggests limiting phones during field trips, between classes, etc. Blankenship shares policy is phone policy has been updated and will be enforced.

Smith asks if school does any training for parents/students on social media safety? Blankenship shares that at the beginning of the year, the school provides education to the parents and students about social media safety and apps like BARK to monitor social media activity.

Executive Session: N/A

Adjournment: Elrod made motion for the meeting to adjourn; Smith seconded.

Respectfully Submitted by

Rebecca Willis, Board Member