

YLA Board Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2023

Board Members Present (highlighted): Betsy Anthony, Nick McClellan, Cathy Moore, Chris Elrod, Matthew Kutilek, Craig Trainer, Rebecca Willis, Kenna Dillard, Christie Dunson, David Orr

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, September 11, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in Mrs. Kutilek's classroom. Betsy Anthony called the meeting to order.

Public Input: N/A

Previous Month Minutes Approved: YLA's August 2023 minutes – motion to approve (with changes to be made to the spelling of Craig Trainer's name) by Nick McClellan and seconded by Kenna Dillard. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Statement: Rebecca Willis made motion to approve the August 2023 financials. Kenna Dillard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: Board members reviewed, and Chris Elrod made a motion was to approve the Safety/Crisis Plan; Nick McClellan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Question – With respect to voting Board members and the requirement to be present, what are the requirements for Summit? Presence is required by State Charter Law to vote, but opinions can be voiced virtually.

YLA has 5 positions coming up: STEM, Business, 2 Parents, 1 At-large

Open Board Positions:

- Rebecca Willis made motion to approve reappointment of David Orr in his Board position. Cathy Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Chris Elrod made motion to approve reappointment of Nick McClellan in his Board position. Cathy Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Education Appointed Position: Board members reviewed four resumes and bios. Chris Elrod made motion to appoint Sydney Looper Cox; Rebecca Willis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Principal's Report: House council elections occurred; field trips have started. Tech night for parents went well. Clubs have started. Ron Clark academy app has been a huge hit with the students.

Director's Report: YLA will get funding for a State Reading Coach, which will cover \$50K of Shasta Looper's salary. We will see that in the financials starting in October. Community shout out for YLA! Today was annual September 11 memorial. The students, community members, and staff were all engaged and participating in the day's events. Vince is going to boarding

school for the next 3 weeks to earn his Good Citizen certification. He will do his therapy training throughout the year.

501c3 status: We do not need two, but our District has made a mistake with the current 501c3. Once that is resolved, it is recommended that we apply for a 501c3 for both YLA and Summit.

Can one Board hold two 501c3s? Yes.

Questions, Comments, Concerns: Tri County Tech is going to meet with the District to discuss dual enrollment and a middle college to figure out which direction we want to go.

Executive Session: N/A

Adjournment: Rebecca Willis made motion for the meeting to adjourn; Chris Elrod seconded. The Board approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by

Catherine R. Moore, Secretary