

SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 30, 2023
7:00 pm
Central Office Conference Room 128

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Stephan Behuniak
Kristen Bruno
Christopher Champagne
Beth Nesteriak
Ed Strumello

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

James Garofolo
Kristen Harmeling
Jay Hatfield
Shannon Levey

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment provides the opportunity for the public to make a comment. It is not a dialogue between the Board and the public. Based upon what is heard during Public Comment, the Board may choose to add a topic to the agenda. If questions are posed that the Chairman is able to answer, those questions may be addressed under the Chairman's Comments portion of the agenda. The Board will not discuss personnel matters. Comments should be respectful and no longer than 3 minutes in length so that all who wish to comment may have the opportunity to do so. All public wanting to comment will need to state their name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board.

None

Public Comment closed at 7:04 pm

III. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Job Description – Director of Curriculum and Instruction PK-12

Mr. Champagne said this job description was all encompassing. Dr. Compton this job description was a product of the administration leadership and she was very proud of how they worked together and with her to get to the final job description. She said she got a lot of input from them. She also said she explained to them that she didn't have to involve them in the process rather she chose to involve them. She is very proud of their great teamwork. Dr. Compton talked about the research she did saying she contacted all surrounding districts looking at their job descriptions for a similar position. Dr. Compton is very confident that we will hire the right person for the job. She also reminded the committee that the position of Associate Superintendent is not being abolished and maybe at some point in the future they will bring that position back but for now it is a position that they district cannot financially support. Mr. Strumello said he liked that this person has the freedom to go into the classrooms. Dr. Compton said she will be in contact with Attorney Floyd on how best to proceed. She reminded the Board that they must approve the hiring. She hopes to bring someone who currently works here as she truly believes we have many talented people, and the district should give them the opportunity to grow. She said we need to let the process work. She noted that this position will be part of the Administrators Union. She said the focus needs to be on aligned curriculum. She found in her research that many districts do not have Assistant Superintendents. By moving to a Director of Curriculum and Instruction position, the district will save \$45,000.

MOTION: (Mr. Strumello/sec., Mr. Behuniak) to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the job description entitled Director of Curriculum and Instruction PK-12

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 5-0-0

B. Create Position – Director of Curriculum and Instruction PK-12

MOTION: (Mr. Strumello/sec., Mr. Behuniak) to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to create the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction PK-12

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 5-0-0

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report

None

B. Superintendent's Report

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Mr. Strumello/sec., Mr. Behuniak) to adjourn

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION: 5-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Submitted by:

Lee-Ann Dauerty

Board Clerk