

Seymour Board of Education
FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 6, 2023
Seymour Middle School
7:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Champagne
Kristen Harmeling
Beth Nesteriak

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools
Salvatore Bucci, Business Manager
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Harmeling 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

Closed at 7:09 pm

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Financial Management Summary – February 6, 2023

Mr. Bucci explained that this month's report is very similar to last month's report as there has not been much activity. Mr. Champagne asked if we are trending on track and Mr. Bucci confirmed that we are "in the black". He said he is monitoring unspent funds to be possibly used somewhere else. He is highly mindful of what causes deficits. He talked about health care expenses and that we are trending to this year's budget but noted that it doesn't take much to create a deficit. At this point, staffing is stable. Ms. Harmeling asked if the 22% increase in health premiums is an actual increase. Mr. Bucci said this number is based on claims data and they are waiting for the 4th quarter data to come in. It is unknown at this time if the 22% increase is the actual increase. He said the Town is shopping around for health insurance. Ms. Harmeling asked if the swim team equipment is in this budget. Mr. Bucci explained that he obtained a 5-year plan for athletics from the Athletic Department. The pads are in the budget but not the whole system. Ms. Harmeling said she would like to know why it is not included in the budget, adding that this is just not right. Mr. Bucci explained it could be charged to athletics or facilities depending on if it is part of the infrastructure.

MOTION: (Mr. Champagne/sec., Ms. Nesteriak) to recommend to the full Board the approval of the February 6, 2023 Financial Management Summary

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 3-0-0

A. Chairman's Report

None

B. Superintendent's Report

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Mr. Champagne/sec., Ms. Nesteriak) to adjourn

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Nesteriak

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk

YouTube Link (February 6, 2023)

<https://youtu.be/qSKwjc7eAhY>