

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:	Stephan Behuniak Ed Strumello
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:	Jay Hatfield
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Christopher Champagne
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:	Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk Jim Freund, Principal, SHS Ernie DiStasi, Athletic Director Cathy Federowicz, Athletic Director Amber Burton Michael Kearns

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Strumello called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:13 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

III. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

Dr. Compton asked to go out of order and discuss items B-F first since they would be quick updates.

B. Swimming Pool Needs

Mr. DiStasi said he does not have much of an update because he has been told that a swim club in town would provide the necessary upgrades to the pool scoring system. It was decided that we needed to get confirmation from the Town on this.

C. Track and Field Equipment Needs

There was a discussion on what equipment needs to be replaced in order for Seymour to host meets. We were only able to have one meet last year. The next AD meeting will be on March 7 and there will be a determination if we will be able to have meets next season. Mr. Behuniak pointed out that Seymour is going on two years without this equipment and it is embarrassing at this point. Mr. DiStasi talked about the middle school starting a program at the middle school level and although he thinks it is a good idea, right now there are enough problems with the high school program to keep it going right now. Mr. Strumello said there is a lot of research to be done for a middle school program such as where they would practice and who would coach.

D. Review Uniform Five Year Plan

There was no discussion on this other than to confirm it is in the budget.

E. Discussion to Renew Part Time Athletic Trainer Stipend

Dr. Compton asked the Board to start to consider the renewal of this contract.

MOTION: (Mr. Behuniak/sec., Mr. Strumello) to recommend to the full Board the renewal of the Part Time Athletic Trainer Stipend for the 2023-2024 school year.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 3-0-0

F. Discussion to Renew Athletic Training Service Agreement

MOTION: (Mr. Behuniak/sec., Mr. Strumello) to recommend to the full Board the renewal of the Athletic Training Service Agreement for the 2023-2024

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 3-0-0

A. Weight Room

Dr. Compton said the weight room continues to be cleaned up. The mats have been moved and the trophy shelves have been taken down and the trophies have been moved. There is still some old equipment in the corner that needs to be moved by Public Works. Just waiting for them to come and do it. Mr. Champagne suggested we contact them to get it done. Mr. Kearns said there are lots of things to be updated in the weight room. He said the students are using old equipment. There are plenty of stuff that needs to be gotten rid of. Mr. Strumello asked if the equipment is dangerous and Mr. Kearns said it is not dangerous; it is useable but broken. Mr. DiStasi said the weight room is still useable. We are hosting the NVL Weightlifting Competition for the league. Ms. Burton talked about the money in the football account and how they would like to purchase equipment for the weight room and was wondering what the protocol is. She said they would like to purchase the equipment first and then donate the actual equipment to the school rather than donate the money and have the school purchase the equipment. Mr. Strumello explained that the donation would have to be approved by the Board and they could do it either way, by donating the money or donating the equipment. She said she was wondering if the old equipment would be moved fairly quickly so the new equipment could be installed. Dr. Compton indicated our staff could move the old equipment. Ms. Burton said she would like to start off by purchasing three squat racks. She indicated she would probably come to the March 6 meeting to make the donation. Mr. Kearns said we cannot get rid of everything and some things would need to be put in storage. He said he is looking forward to having cardio, stretch, and exercise equipment in the future. Mr. Strumello reminded them that they need to talk to the Athletic Director about these issues.

G. Other Concerns

Mr. Strumello said he had received an email from Joe Carrafiello regarding banners for the Copper Division. Ms. Federowicz read the email to the committee. There was a discussion about the problems with banners and how we would need to do this for every team and there are issues with space for more banners. There is not space in the gym. In order to do this, we would need to reconfigure every banner. Mr. Behuniak said he understands the desire for banners, and it would be a nice thing to do but how?

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report

None

B. Superintendent's Report

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 2-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk