

SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Seymour Middle School
Library Media Center
April 3, 2023
7:30 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Moment of Silence
 - 1. Theresa Hannon
 - 2. Laura DiStasi

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Seymour Champion Recognitions
 - 1. Bungay School
 - a. Reyah Arias-Matlachowski
 - b. Lilliana DeCola
 - 2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - a. Carly Pettinella
 - b. Isabella Solerti
 - 3. Seymour Middle School
 - a. Tucker Donato
 - b. Daphne Shea
 - 4. Seymour High School
 - a. Nick Pujos
- B. Superintendent Student Recognitions
 - 1. Madison Jarvis
- C. Seymour High School Athletics
 - 1. Gymnastics, Katie Tomasheski – Mr. Freund
 - 2. Seymour High School Dance Team – Dr. Compton, Mr. Freund
- D. 2023 CAS Distinguished Friend of Education Award
 - 1. Seymour Lions Club – Mary Sue Feige
 - 2. Citation – State Representative Nicole Klarides-Ditria
 - 3. Proclamation – First Selectwoman Annmarie Drugonis

III. STUDENT REPORTS

- A. HS Student Representative Report- Tyler Lang, Sophia Motyl

IV. 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.

V. REPORTS

- A. Special Education Enrollment Report

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. Regular BOE Meeting Minutes – March 6, 2023
 - 2. Special BOE Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2023

- B. Financial Management Reports – April 6, 2023
- C. Nutrition Services Financial Report – April 6, 2023
- D. Staff Hiring
 - 1. Hiring, Appendix D
 - a. Sadick, Ian
 - o Assistant Coach, Outdoor Track
 - o Seymour High School
 - o Replacing Mike Sirowich
 - 2. Hiring, Stipend Position
 - a. Lucke, Paul
 - o Grant Writer/Coordinator
 - o Central Office
 - o New Position
 - 3. Hiring, Certified
 - a. Ferruggia, Rachel
 - o Special Education Teacher
 - o Bungay School
 - o Replacing Hannah Rozum (Transfer to Preschool Program)

VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VIII. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Healthy Food Certification
 - 1. MOTION: Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the Seymour Board of Education certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.
 - 2. MOTION: The Seymour Public Schools will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the food items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The “regular school day” is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the food sales.
 - 3. MOTION: The Seymour Public Schools will allow the sale to students of beverages not listed in Section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the beverages are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. The “school day” is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the beverage sales.
- B. Set Graduation date for Class of 2023
 - Approve the date of graduation for the Class of 2023 to be June 9, 2023 with a rain date of June 12, 2023

- C. Set Last day of School
Dr. Compton would like approval to set the last day of school for the 2022-2023 school year as June 13, 2023
- D. June 2023 Board of Education Meetings
The June BOE Awards Meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2023. The Superintendent would like to propose an additional BOE business meeting on June 19, 2023
- E. Appointment
 - 1. Title IX Coordinator
 - a. Dr. Kristopher Boyle
- F. Hiring, Certified
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 - a. Reid, Lauren
 - o Principal
 - o Bungay School
 - o Replacing Mary Sue Feige
- G. Non-Renewal – Budgetary Reasons
 - 1. The Superintendent will recommend the non-renewal of one non-tenured teacher (Michelle Martin) at the end of the 2022-2023 school year in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-151. This recommendation has been made due to the loss of position to another teacher and no other available positions for which this teacher is certified and qualified and budgetary considerations.
Motion for Consideration: Move that, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-151, the Seymour Board of Education non-renew the teaching contract of Michelle Martin at the end of the 2022-2023 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. I further move that the Superintendent be directed to communicate this action of the Board in writing to Michelle Martin and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to respond on behalf of the Board to any request, if required by law, or for other data which may be forthcoming from the teacher and/or his/her representative pursuant to applicable provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-151.

IX. INFORMATION

- A. E-Hallpass system – Seymour High School
- B. Committee Reports
 - 1. Finance Committee Minutes – March 6, 2023
- C. School Activities and Recognitions
 - 1. Bungay School
 - 2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - 3. Seymour Middle School
 - 4. Seymour High School
- D. Staff Hiring – Appendix D
 - 1. Sponheimer, Deirdre
 - o Assistant Coach, Outdoor Track
 - o Seymour High School
 - o Replacing Chris Pagliaro
- E. Staff Resignations, Certified Staff
 - a. Roman, Jeremiah
 - o Teacher, Physical Education/Health
 - o Bungay School
 - o Effective April 17, 2023

- b. Savoie, Leigh
 - o Teacher, Elementary
 - o Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - o Effective June 30, 2023
- X. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS/SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
 - A. Board of Education Comments
 - 1. Chairman's Comments
 - 2. Board Member Comments
 - B. Superintendent Report
 - 1. School Safety
 - 2. Artificial Intelligence
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

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