

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

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Champagne
Beth Nesteriak
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Kristen Harmeling
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

Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 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

A. Financial Management Summary – August 7, 2023

Mr. Bucci explained the changes he has made to the Financial Management Summary; he has moved teachers into the correct categories. He feels the summary is finally in order in the line items. He also commented that we have done a good job reducing our legal expenses.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION: (Ms. Nesteriak/sec., Mr. Champagne) to recommend to the full Board the approval of the August 7, 2023 Financial Management Summary

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 2-0-0

B. Approval of the Budget Line-Item Allocation for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

Mr. Bucci explained the proposed line-item allocation of the voter approved appropriation for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. He discussed the cuts that were made to the Board of Education budget. The budget amount was approved by voter referendum on June 1, 2023 and was later adopted by the BOE at its June 20 Special Board of Education.

MOTION: (Ms. Nesteriak/sec., Mr. Champagne) to accept the 2023-24 final budget allocations as presented in the Financial Management Summary presented to the BOE Finance Committee on August 7, 2023, which holds constant the Town approved budget of \$38,158,839.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 2-0-0

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report

None

Ms. Nesteriak requested a periodic update at the financial committee meeting and would like this to be done for the September 11, 2023 meeting. Dr. Compton said she felt this could be done every 2-3 months.

B. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Compton reported they attended the Board of Finance. She said we are in good financial shape.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 2-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm

YouTube Link (August 7, 2023)

<https://youtube.com/live/pGCyvdvRGyw?feature=share>

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk