

Seymour Board of Education
SPECIAL BOE MEETING MINUTES
Seymour Middle School
Library Media Center
August 23, 2023
6:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Stephan Behuniak
Christopher Champagne
James Garofolo
Kristen Harmeling
Jay Hatfield
Shannon Levey

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kristen Bruno
Beth Nesteriak
Ed Strumello

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk
Alison Brett
Ronald Barnard

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:01 pm.

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. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Hiring

1. Certified

a. Schmidt, Wendy

- PT Speech Language Pathologist
- Chatfield-LoPresti School
- New Position
- Certification Pending

b. Smerekanicz, Nicole

- Grade 1 Teacher
- Chatfield-LoPresti School
- Replacing Caitlyn Jurkowski

- c. Ricard, Deborah
 - LT Substitute Teacher
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Zachary Goldstein
 - d. Labbe, Melissa
 - Music Teacher
 - Chatfield LoPresti School
 - Replacing Courtney Parrish
- 2. Non-Certified
 - a. Botelho, Laura
 - Part Time Secretary
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Jocelyn Iadarola
 - b. Christiansen, Lori
 - Monitor Paraeducator
 - Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - Replacing Jackie Sullivan
 - c. Esteves, Miguel
 - Instructional Paraeducator
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Trevor Frisbie
 - d. DeMarco, Taylor
 - Monitor Paraeducator
 - Bungay School
 - Replacing Alyssa Cosciello
 - e. Hon, Jenilee
 - Secretary
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Jocelyn Iadarola
- 3. Appendix D
 - a. Hamel, Jodie
 - Coach, Girls Soccer
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Kerry Rush

MOTION: (Mr. Hatfield/sec. Ms. Levey) to approve the consent agenda as presented

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey

MOTION PASSES: 6-0-0

IV. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Contract – Dr. Frederick Brown, Dr. Gary Richo – District Physicians, 2023-2024 School Year
Dr. Compton said this contract is the same as last year.

MOTION: (Ms. Harmeling/sec., Mr. Behuniak) to approve the contract of Dr. Frederick Brown and Dr. Gary Richo as the district physicians for the 2023-2024 school year

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey

MOTION PASSES: 6-0-0

- B. ProActive Sports Medicine, LLC Terms Sheet – Athletic Training Service Agreement
Dr. Compton said they are working on some edits and should be sending the final contract soon.
MOTION: (Mr. Garofolo/sec., Mr. Hatfield) to table the item ProActive Sports Medicine to the next meeting

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey,
MOTION PASSES: 6-0-0

- C. Substitute Interim Assistant Principal – Bungay School
Dr. Compton said a small interview process was done for the substitute interim Assistant Principal position. The committee consisted of Dr. Compton, Mr. Strumello, Ms. Feige. This position will be until the end of September and maybe also some time in the first part of October. Ms. Brett will also continue her work as inclusion facilitator.
MOTION: (Mr. Hatfield/sec., Ms. Harmeling) to approve the appointment of Alison Brett as the substitute interim assistant principal at Bungay School

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey
MOTION PASSES: 6-0-0

V. INFORMATION

- A. Resignations
1. Gordon, Dyan
 - Nutrition Services
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective August 14, 2023
 2. Juergensen, Anneliese
 - Instructional Paraeducator
 - Bungay School
 - Effective August 10, 2023
- B. Transfers
1. Battaglia, Bruno
 - Instructional Paraeducator
 - Seymour High School
 - New Position
- C. Appendix D (Teachers)
1. Bennett, Deborah
 - Yearbook Advisor
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Emily Griscom

VI. REPORTS

- A. Chairman's Report
None
- B. Board Member Comments
None
- C. Superintendent's Report
Dr. Compton thanked the Board Members for coming out to this meeting; she knows they are busy, and she really appreciates their attendance.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Mr. Garofolo/sec., Ms. Harmeling) to adjourn

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey

MOTION PASSES: 6-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk