

SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
Seymour Middle School  
Library Media Center  
October 2, 2023  
7:30 pm

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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Seymour Champion Recognitions

1. Bungay School
  - a. Kylee George
  - b. Fabian Gutierrez
2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
  - a. Charlotte Tucker
  - b. Zoe Rice
3. Seymour Middle School
  - a. Juliana Bell
  - b. Jason Sciaraffa
4. Seymour High School
  - a. Kaya Dupee

- B. Superintendent Student Recognitions

1. Nathan Carbajal
2. Zachary Jones
3. Jillian Sullivan
4. U.S. News and World Report - 2023-2024 Best High Schools

III. STUDENT REPORTS

- A. BOE Student Representative

MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the High School Administration and the Student Council to appoint Kaitlyn Hamilton as the Alternate BOE Student Representative

- B. HS Student Representative Report- Sophia Motyl, Kaitlyn Hamilton

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 the public wanting to comment will need to state their name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board.

V. REPORTS

- A. Director of Curriculum & Instruction District Highlights – Mary Sue Feige
- B. School Improvement Plan CLS – David Olechna and Ernie DiStasi
- C. School Improvement Plan CLS PowerPoint Presentation– David Olechna and Ernie DiStasi

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Regular BOE Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2023
- B. Financial Management Reports – October 2, 2023
- C. Nutrition Services Finance Report – October 2, 2023
- D. Staff Hiring
  - 1. Certified
    - a. DeGrave, Jennifer
      - Mathematics Teacher
      - Seymour Middle School
      - New Position
    - b. Avena, Michael
      - Attendance/Tardy Officer
      - Seymour High School
      - New Position - Stipend
    - c. Cheney, Lisa
      - Attendance/Tardy Officer
      - Seymour High School
      - New Position - Stipend
    - d. Ciccone, Stephanie
      - Attendance/Tardy Officer
      - Seymour High School
      - New Position - Stipend
    - e. Fearon, Nicole
      - Attendance/Tardy Officer
      - Seymour High School
      - New Position - Stipend
    - f. Verchili, Laura
      - Attendance/Tardy Officer
      - Seymour High School
      - New Position - Stipend
    - g. Ferruggia, Rachel
      - BCBA/Teacher Specialist
      - Districtwide
      - New Position - Stipend
  - 2. Non-Certified
    - a. Andrews, Tarra
      - Literacy/Numeracy Tutor
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Replacing Kim Nederman
    - b. Danka, Melanie
      - Instructional Paraeducator
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Replacing Linda Souza
    - c. Holz, Heather
      - Instructional Paraeducator
      - Bungay School

- New Position
- d. Johora, Fatema
  - Nutrition Services Worker
  - Bungay School
  - Replacing Courtney McCarthy
- e. Megale, Lindsay
  - Secretary
  - Seymour High School
  - Replacing Jenilee Hon
- f. Soriano-Perez, Daibi
  - Instructional Paraeducator
  - Seymour Middle School
  - Replacing Sarah Heslin
- g. Tantrum, Jamie
  - Instructional Paraeducator
  - Chatfield-LoPresti School
  - Replacing

MOTION: to approve the consent agenda as presented

VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VIII. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Out of State Field Trip

Approve the request of Erin Scozzafava to take Grade 9 and 10 Biology Classes to the American Museum of Natural History and Carmine's Upper West Side on Friday, March 8, 2024.

B. Europe Summer Trip

Stephanie Ciccone and Dave Willadsen.

C. Wrestling Mats

D. Tuition Rate for Out of District Students

To set the tuition rate for out of district students as \$12,317.15 for elementary students and \$14,882.92 for middle school and high school students.

E. Resolution of the Seymour Board of Education Honoring the 1998 Seymour High School Football State Champions

F. DONATION

1. Theresa Conroy and Mary Ellen LoGuidice

- a. The family of Ann and Frank Conroy would like to make a donation of \$1200.00 to the Seymour Public Schools. (Superintendent, Dr. Susan Compton, would like to recommend to the Board that the donation of \$1200.00 be specifically used for the SMS Band Program, under the direction of Sarah Quinn, to purchase two marching snare drums and harnesses and one marching bass drum with carrier and harness. to the Seymour Public Schools and asks that the BOE direct the Superintendent to determine the placement of this donation.)
- b. The family of Ann and Frank Conroy are thrilled to be able to support the building of a recording studio to support the music program at Seymour High School through the Frank and Ann Conroy Fund for the Joy of Music administered through the Valley Community Foundation.

2. Valentin Katreczko

Superintendent Dr. Susan Compton recommends the approval of a donation of toolmaker tools to Seymour High School and asks that the BOE direct the Superintendent to determine the placement of this donation.

IX. INFORMATION

- A. Committee Reports
  - 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2023
- B. Special Education Enrollment Report
- C. School Activities and Recognitions
  - 1. Bungay School
  - 2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
  - 3. Seymour Middle School
  - 4. Seymour High School
- D. Staff Hiring (Teachers)
  - 1. Appendix D
    - a. Bennett, Deborah
      - Student Council Advisor
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Replacing Jennifer Batterton
    - a. Esposito, Deborah
      - Student Council Advisor
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Replacing Jennifer Batterton
    - b. Garrow, Dinalyn
      - Junior National Honor Society Advisor
      - Seymour Middle School
      - New Position
  - 2. Appendix E
    - a. Fitzgerald, John
      - Glee Club Advisor
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Replacing Courtney Parrish
- C. Staff Transfers
  - 1. Non-Certified
    - a. McCarthy, Courtney
      - From Nutrition Services
      - To Instructional Paraeducator
      - Bungay School
      - New Position
- D. Staff Resignations
  - 1. Certified
    - a. Goldstein, Zachary
      - Special Education Teacher
      - Seymour Middle School
      - Effective September 13, 2023
  - 2. Non-Certified
    - a. Altamirano, Lydia
      - Instructional Paraeducator

- Seymour High School
- Effective September 25, 2023
- b. McCarthy, Courtney
  - Nutrition Services Worker
  - Seymour High School
  - Effective September 19, 2023

X. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS/SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. Board of Education Comments
  - 1. Chairman's Comments
  - 2. Board Member Comments
- B. Superintendent Report

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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