

SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Seymour Middle School
Library Media Center
March 4, 2024
7:00 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Seymour Champion Recognitions

1. Bungay School
 - a. Sofia Gonzalez
2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - a. Juana Jara-Jimenez
 - b. Liana Lopez
3. Seymour Middle School
 - a. Logan Andrews (February)
 - b. Colin Holmes
 - c. Kimora Pierre

- B. Superintendent Student Recognitions

1. Great American Rivalry Scholar Athlete
 - a. Trevor Burns
2. CAPSS Superintendents' Award of Excellence
 - a. Vivian Chraibi, SMS
 - b. Ana David, SMS
 - c. Zachary Jones, SHS
 - d. Emily Masotta, SHS

- C. Lions Peace Poster Contest

1. Peyton Billy – Grand Prize Winner
2. Lily Contreras – 1st Place
3. Celine Benitez – 2nd Place
4. Masa Asami – 3rd Place

III. 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 Chairperson is able to answer, those questions may be addressed under the Chairperson'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.

IV. REPORTS

- A. HS Student Representative Report- Sophia Motyl, Kaitlyn Hamilton
B. Bungay School Improvement Plan – Lauren Reid, Stacey Long

- V. CONSENT AGENDA
- A. Approval of Minutes
1. Regular BOE Meeting Minutes – February 5, 2024
- B. Financial Management Reports – February 26, 2024
- C. Nutrition Services Financial Report – March 4, 2024
- D. Staff Hiring
1. Certified
- a. Bisailon, Christy
- Special Education Teacher
 - SMS
 - Replacing Zachary Goldstein
- b. Lubowiecki, Edmund
- Literacy/Numeracy Tutor
 - CLS
 - Replacing Caroline Gieger
- c. Halligan, Catherine
- Literacy/Numeracy Tutor
 - SMS
 - Vacant Position
2. Non-Certified
- a. Olivetti, Evelyn
- Food Service Staff
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Barbara Manente
- b. Deeley-Shay, Olivia
- Monitor Paraeducator, Part Time
 - Bungay School
 - Replacing Taylor DeMarco
- c. Romeo, Cheryl
- Instructional Paraeducator
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Vacant Position
- d. Santillo, Lynn
- Instructional Paraeducator
 - Bungay School
 - Replacing Jacqueline Sullivan
3. Appendix D
- a. Carboni, Daniel
- Assistant Coach, Outdoor Track
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Brian Cleveland
- b. Dunaj, Daniel
- Head Coach, Football
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Mike Kearns
4. Volunteer Appointment
- a. Bogen, Kimberlyn
- Volunteer Assistant Coach, Softball
 - Seymour High School
 - Pending Certification

- E. Out of State Field Trip
Ms. Ciccone, Ms. Sodan, Mr. Stock, and Mr. Freund would like to take any interested grade 9 – 12 students to Magic Mountain in Londonderry, VT on Saturday, March 9, 2024

MOTION: to approve the consent agenda as presented

VI. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

VII. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – Increasing Educator Diversity
To approve the plan for increasing educator diversity as presented and to submit to the Connecticut Department of Education by the March 15, 2024 deadline
- B. Class Trip to Spain – Ms. Laura Verchili
- C. New Position – Appendix D
1. Assistant Coach Girls Tennis repurposing Assistant Coach Golf appendix D position
- D. SHS New Course Proposal 2024-2025 as recommended by the Curriculum and Technology Committee contingent on budget restraints.
- E. Healthy Food Certification
1. Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the Seymour Public Schools 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, 2024, through June 30, 2025. 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. The Seymour Public Schools **will allow** the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards and 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 food and beverage 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 and beverage sales.
sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.

F. Seymour Board of Education Budget 2024-2025

VIII. INFORMATION

- A. Committee Reports
1. Curriculum and Technology Committee Minutes – February 12, 2024
2. Finance Committee Minutes – February 26, 2024
- B. Special Education Enrollment Report – Kristopher Boyle
- C. School Activities and Recognitions
1. Bungay School
2. Chatfield-LoPresti School
3. Seymour Middle School
4. Seymour High School
a. Seymour High School News Blast
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZdXiR4Wt21ZYVX3MHMwBHKUBJP4dYXsqVMQvefYJ8LE/edit?usp=sharing>
b. The Paw Print
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fjPF7GpKucnazpCQLICWylS7cwmTFMtD/view?usp=sharing>
- D. Substitute Teacher Handbook

- E. Staff Transfers
 - 1. Certified
 - a. Rush, Kerry
 - STEM Teacher to Science Teacher
 - 2024-2025 School Year
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Michele Scarpa
 - 2. Non-Certified
 - a. Davies, James
 - Day Custodian to Night Custodian
 - Bungay School to Seymour Middle School
 - Replacing Fred Kershaw
- F. Staff Resignations
 - 1. Non-Certified
 - a. Sullivan, Jacqueline
 - Instructional Paraeducator
 - Bungay School
 - Effective March 1, 2024
 - 2. Appendix D
 - a. Vartelas, Jimmy
 - Assistant Coach, Baseball
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective February 28, 2024
- IX. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS/SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
 - A. Board of Education Comments
 - 1. Chairperson's Comments
 - 2. Board Member Comments
 - B. Superintendent Report
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

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