

# Seymour Board of Education



## FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2024  
Chatfield LoPresti School  
6:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Champagne  
Lori Nespoli  
Stephan Behuniak

OTHER BOARD MEMERS: Kristen Harmeling  
Ed Strumello

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools  
Shannon Levey, Board Clerk

### I. CALL TO ORDER

#### A. Pledge of Allegiance

- Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:38 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 can 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.

- Public Comment called three times. No public comment.

### III. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

#### A. Final Line Item for Allocation for FY23-24

- a. Mr. Bucci reviewed the items and will present to full board.

#### B. Proposed Line Item for Allocation FY24-25

- a. Mr. Bucci reviewed the items and will present to the full board.

#### C. Financial Management Summary

- a. Mr. Bucci reviewed the Financial Management Summary. Nothing is standing out for the year. Heating fuel price dropped. Our contract will be expiring soon so we need to look into prices soon with Eversource. Approved hiring of an armed security officer. Many paras were hired which will hopefully allow the district to wean off using outside agencies which should save money. We have had a lot of hiring overall, some have opted for health insurance. The state renewed paraeducator contributions making compensation more enticing. Mr. Bucci will go into more detail at the BOE meeting tonight.

- **MOTION:** to accept the final line item allocation for fy23-24, proposed line item allocation for fy24-25, and the financial management summary to present to the full board. (Lori Nespoli, Chris Champagne)
- **AFFIRMATIVE:** Mr. Behuniak, Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nespoli

- **PASSES:** 3-0-0

#### IV. REPORTS

##### A. Board of Education

###### 1. Chairman Comments

- No comments

###### 2. Board Member Comments

- No comments

##### B. Superintendent's Report

1. One more request for a paraeducator and SMS, that will be coming soon.

#### V. ADJOURNMENT

- **MOTION:** to adjourn (Stephan Behuniak, Lori Nespoli)
- **AFFIRMATIVE:** Mr. Champagne. Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Nespoli
- **PASSES:** 3-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM