

# Seymour Board of Education



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Seymour Board of Education  
**SPECIAL BOE MEETING MINUTES**  
December 16, 2024 Library Media  
Center, SMS 6:30 pm

Board Members in Attendance: [OBJ]

Chris Champagne, Chair  
Kristen Bruno, Vice Chair  
Stephan Behuniak, Secretary  
Ed Strumello  
Kristen Harmeling  
Jay Hatfield  
Pete Kubik  
Lori Nespoli

Board Members Absent: [OBJ]

Jim Garofolo

Others in Attendance: [OBJ]

Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent  
Shannon Levey, Board Clerk

Paul Lucke, Assistant Principal SHS

## I. CALL TO ORDER

### A. Pledge of Allegiance

- The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Chris Champagne 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 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.

- Public comment called 3 times, no public comment.

## III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

### A. Principal Hiring – Seymour High School (may be discussed in Executive Session)

- Chris Champagne stated that the board members present on the interview panel included himself, Lori Nespoli and Stephan Behuniak. Ed Strumello suggested that they enter an executive session to discuss the hiring of a principal for Seymour High School.

MOTION: to go into executive session to discuss the hiring of a Principal at Seymour High School (Ed Strumello / sec. Pete Kubik)

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Strumello, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Nespoli

ABSTENTION: Ms. Harmeling

PASSES: 7-1

Exited Executive Session at 8:04 PM.

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MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Mr. Paul Lucke for Seymour High School Principal effective 2/1/2025.

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Strumello, Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Nespoli, Mr. Kubik.

PASSES: 8-0-0

IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS

A. Chairman's Comments

- None

B. Board Member Comments

- None

C. Superintendent's Comments

- None

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Prepared by Shannon Levey,  
Board Clerk