

Seymour Board of Education



Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2025

Seymour Middle School

6:45 pm

Board Members Present: Chris Champagne
Lori Nespoli

Board Members Absent: Stephan Behuniak

Others Present: Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent
Ed Strumello
Shannon Levey, Board Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order at 6:55 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 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.

- No comment

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Financial Statement

Mr. Bucci reported that the 5-year rotational program for Chromebooks is being monitored closely, with current costs running \$50 over budget. Despite this, replacements remain scheduled for next year, though they will be tracked carefully. No changes were noted in SPED reporting. Electrical expenses have stabilized. The public benefit program is anticipated to terminate soon, which, if confirmed, will help maintain budget alignment.

Ms. Nespoli inquired about the Educational Excess Cost Grant. Mr. Bucci outlined the process for determining and distributing these funds, noting that the state rarely meets its projected amounts. He emphasized his conservative, year-by-year approach to budgeting the grant, stating that while he believes the district is within range, the final figures remain uncertain.

MOTION: (Lori Nespoli / Chris Champagne) to forward the financial statement for April 2025 to the full board for approval.

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Champagne, Ms. Nespoli

MOTION PASSED: 2-0-0

IV. REPORTS

A. Board of Education

1. Chairman Comments

2. Board Member Comments
B. Superintendent's Report

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM

Prepared by Shannon Levey,
Board Clerk