Seymour Board of Education

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
January 9, 2017
Seymour Middle School
7:00 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Kristen Harmeling, Chairman
Jennifer Magri
Yashu Putorti

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: James Garofolo
Jay Hatfield
Ed Strumello

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Peter Kubik

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Christine Syriac, Superintendent of Schools
Rick Belden, Assistant Superintendent - Finance & Operations
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Putorti called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:03 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT
None

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
A. Information and Recommended Action
   1. Financial Management Summary ending December 31, 2016
      Ms. Harmeling asked if anyone on the committee had any questions on the Financial Management Summary. There were no questions. She asked Mr. Belden about the Special Education transportation line item and how much over budget we are. Mr. Belden explained that we might see this trend downward and he is expecting it to do so. Ms. Harmeling said she was asking due to budget season and the Board of Finance may pay more attention especially in light of the $83,000 cut. There was a brief discussion on the tuition line item and Mrs. Syriac said for some schools we have actual numbers but other schools we will have to wait until after 8th graders make their decisions. Mr. Belden informed the committee that the year-end audit has been finalized. He said we are trending well and we are right where he expects us to be. We will have to get through winter to see if any unanticipated expenses occur
      MOTION: (Ms. Harmeling/sec., Mr. Putorti) to recommend to the full Board the approval of the Financial Management Summary ending December 31, 2016
      SO VOTED
A. Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Magri, Mr. Putorti

   B. Reports
   1. Chairman’s Report
      Ms. Harmeling asked if the committee has discussed what information will be included in the budget packet. She suggested not sharing the baseline budget. Instead maybe include a letter similar to what Mr. Miller and Mr. Sawicki did last year. She said there should just be some bullet points from the roadmap
2. Superintendent's Report
   None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
   None

V. ADJOURNMENT
   MOTION: (Mr. Putorti/sec., Ms. Magri) to adjourn
   AFFIRMATIVE: Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Magri, Mr. Putorti

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.

SO VOTED

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk