



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

December 2, 2013

Seymour Middle School Library Media Center

7:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Salute to the Flag

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

A. Recognitions

1. Congratulations to the winners of the Lions Club Peace Poster Contest. Victoria Palumbo, Grand Prize winner, Caty Ragaini, First Place winner, Olivia Kick, Second Place winner, and Emily Fitzgerald, Third Place Winner
2. Thank you to high school students Dan Shibu, Brooke Bowns, Julie Kucsera, Ryan Rees, Vincent Lombardo, Christian Mutapcic, Andrew Zehall, Catherine Dimon, Justin Fabozzi, Griffin Gilbertie, Emily Thomas, Marissa D'Eramo, Jaymie Delnicky, Matt Moran, Denae Sheahan, Connor Glenn, Eryk Skowronski, and Zach Fronterotta who participated in the iPad Exploration professional Development on November 5

B. Correspondence

1. Letter dated November 20, 2013 to Christine Syriac from Barbara Green, *Sharing our Stories* Program Coordinator, thanking her for her attendance the Sharing Our Stories event in Seymour

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

A. REPORTS

1. **Chairman's Report**
 - a. Chairman's Report
 - b. Board Members Comments
2. **Superintendent's Report**
3. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Facilities Committee Minutes – November 6, 2013
 - b. Finance Committee Minutes – November 6, 2013
 - c. Curriculum Committee Minutes – November 21, 2013

B. INFORMATION

1. **School Activities and Recognitions**
 - a. **High School** Student Representative Report
 - b. **Middle School** Activities and Recognitions (see attached)
 - c. **Bungay School** Activities and Recognitions (see attached)
 - d. **Chatfield-LoPresti School** Activities and Recognitions (see attached)
2. **Explanation of Areas Dedicated in Honor at LoPresti School and Chatfield School** (Handout)
3. **iPad Exploration Professional Development** (Handout)
3. **Substitutes Update** – Christine Syriac
4. **Tools for Schools Program** – Rick Belden
5. **Great Northeast Shake Out** – (Handout)

6. **Staff Retirement - Certified**
 - a. **Bruce Deming**
 - Science Teacher
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective at the end of 2013-14 school year

MOTION: to accept the retirement of Mr. Bruce Deming, Science teacher at Seymour High School effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year
7. **Staff Resignation – Appendix E**
 - a. **John Johnson**
 - Assistant Coach, Indoor Track
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective November 8, 2013
 - b. **Jennifer Monaco**
 - Assistant Coach, Girls Soccer
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective November 19, 2013
8. **Winter Sports**
 - a. Head Coaching Positions
 - b. Assistant Coaching Positions
 - c. Volunteer Positions
9. **Veterans Day – Schools Open/Closed (Handout)**
10. **Matters concerning security strategy or the deployment of security personnel or devices affecting public security**

V. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- A. **Minutes**
 1. **Regular BOE Meeting – November 6, 2013**
MOTION: to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting on November 6, 2013 as presented
 2. **Special BOE Meeting – November 21, 2013**
MOTION: to approve the minutes of the Special Board of Education meeting on November 21, 2013 as presented
- B. **Nutrition Services Financial Report October, 2013**
MOTION: to approve the Nutrition Services Financial Report for October, 2013 as presented
- C. **BOE Meeting Schedule 2014-2015**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the proposed BOE Meeting Schedule for 2014-2015
- D. **Out of State Field Trip**
 1. **New England Regional Cheerleading Competition**
MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve an out of state field trip for the High School Cheerleaders to attend the New England Regional Cheerleading Competition in Providence, RI on March 21-22, 2014
- E. **Seymour High School Course Requests**
 1. **Technology/STEM**
 - a. Engineering, Innovation and Invention
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Engineering, Innovation, and Invention for the 2014-15 school year
 - b. Engineering our Future Honors: A Maker Space
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Engineering our Future Honors: A Maker Space for the 2014-15 school year

- c. **Applied Research Honors**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Applied Research Honors for the 2014-15 school year
- 2. **Science**
 - a. **Introduction to Astronomy**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Introduction to Astronomy for the 2014-15 school year
- 3. **Art**
 - a. **Digital Photography**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Digital Photography for the 2014-15 school year
 - b. **Graphic Design**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Graphic Design for the 2014-15 school year
 - c. **Advanced Pottery and Sculpture Studio**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Advanced Pottery and Sculpture Studio for the 2014-15 school year
 - d. **Advanced Painting Studio**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Advanced Painting Studio for the 2014-15 school year
 - e. **Advanced Three Dimensional Studio**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled Advanced Three Dimensional Studio for the 2014-15 school year
 - f. **AP Studio Drawing**
MOTION: to approve the recommendation of the Curriculum and Technology Committee to approve the addition of a course entitled AP Studio Drawing for the 2014-15 school year
- F. **Capstone Project**
 - 1. **Capstone Project Information**
MOTION: to accept the high school administration's request to develop a Capstone Project
- G. **Old Radios**
 - 1. **Transfer of Old Radios**
MOTION: to authorize the transfer of twenty three (23) walkie talkie radios from the Seymour Board of Education to the Town of Seymour Emergency Services
- H. **Technology Grant**
MOTION: to authorize the Superintendent to execute the 2013 School Security Competitive grant agreement with the State of Connecticut in the amount of \$144,450.00, with the State of Connecticut funding \$90,282.00 and the Seymour Board of Education providing a local match of \$54,168.00
- I. **Ad Hoc Committee**
MOTION: to create a Community Budget Committee
- VI. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
 - * A. None
 - * *It is anticipated that the asterisked items will be discussed in Executive Session from which the public will be excluded*
- VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Note: The next Regular Board of Education meeting will be held on **Monday, January 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.** in Seymour Middle School