



REGULAR MEETING

November 7, 2012
Seymour High School
7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Salute to the Flag

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

A. Recognitions

1. Congratulations to Seymour High School student Julia Maturo (Grade 11) who competed in the girls cross country, 3.1 mile race at the NVL cross country championships on Tuesday, October 16th at Veterans Park in Watertown. All NVL schools with Girls XC programs competed in this race and Julia finished second with a time of 20:08.

B. Correspondence

1. Letter dated October 25, 2012 from Rich Kearns to Christine Syriac describing the School Bus Safety program that was conducted during the week of October 22nd and sharing some photographs of the activities

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. Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – October 11, 2012
- b. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2012

B. INFORMATION

1. Student Representative Report – High School

a.

2. Student Activities and Recognitions – Seymour Middle School

a. On Friday, October 26th, we held our first PBIS “Doing the Right Thing” celebration. Students who earned tickets during the month of October for going above and beyond in demonstrations of positive behavior expectations traded in their tickets for prizes. In addition, raffles were held for a grand prize and secondary prizes at each grade level. The grand prize winners received an i-tunes gift card and the students are:

6th Grade - Mohad Khan

7th Grade - Hayley Hathaway

8th Grade - Nick Martins

Tickets for November will be given out starting on Monday.

b. On October 18th the students at SMS were gathered in the auditorium to experience a multi-media production on character and doing the right thing by standing up for each other. The Camfel production, sponsored by our Parent Council, is a continuation of providing quality programs to our students reinforcing SMS Cougar Pride by respecting self, respecting others, and respecting the environment. Thank you SMS Parent Council.

c. The SMS Book Fair will be open from November 8th to the 15th

d. Mr. Brian Cleveland had the opportunity last March to travel to the Darfur refugee camps in Eastern Chad with the organization, i-Activism, to assist in selecting the first all refugee Darfur United soccer team. We have just been notified that Darfur United won the award and is the NGO (Non-governmental Organization) of the year! Seymour Middle School and members of our community raised funds last year to “sponsor a player” and continue to be the only community to fully sponsor a player. Mr. Cleveland is proud that we played a part in this, and helped Darfur United win an award for a people who live day in and day out with literally nothing, wondering where their next meal will come from. Thank you for the support; it is appreciated by people all around the world!

3. Student Activities and Recognitions – Bungay School

a. None

4. Student Activities and Recognitions – Chatfield-LoPresti School

a. None

CANCELLED

5. Staff Resignation – Non Certified

- a. McEnerney, Peggy
 - Instructional Paraprofessional
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective October 26, 2012
- b. Walters, Siobhan
 - Part Time Clerical Paraprofessional
 - Bungay Elementary School
 - Effective November 2, 2012
- c. Zaccagnini, Lisa
 - Instructional Paraprofessional
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Effective October 18, 2012

6. School Improvement Plan, Special Education – Virginia Bauer

V. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

A. Minutes – Regular BOE Meeting – October 15, 2012

MOTION: discussion and possible action upon prior meeting minutes

B. Bid Waiver - Copiers

MOTION: Per board policy, to waive formal bidding and use the CREC consortium pricing for multi function copiers. Further to authorize the superintendent to enter into a 54 month operating lease with the authorized CREC vendor, which is Advanced Copy Technologies, Cromwell, CT

C. Staff Hiring – Non-Certified

- 1. Brenchak, Rita
 - Clerical Paraprofessional, Part Time
 - Bungay Elementary School
 - Step 1 Paraprofessionals Contract
 - Replacing Joan Zorena

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Rita Brenchak as a part time clerical paraprofessional in Bungay Elementary School

2. Perry, Christen
 - Clerical Paraprofessional, Part Time
 - Bungay Elementary School
 - Step 1 Paraprofessionals Contract
 - Replacing Siobhan Walters

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Christen Perry as a part time clerical paraprofessional in Bungay Elementary School

VI. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE ASTERISKED ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

◆ 1. None

◆ *It is anticipated that the asterisked items will be discussed in Executive Session*

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Note: The next Board of Education meeting will be held on November 19, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in Bungay Elementary School