

SEYMOUR
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Athletic Sub-Committee

Minutes

Thursday, October 18, 2007

Central Office

7:00 p.m.

Those in attendance: Mr. Jim Ward, Mr. Bruce Baker, Mrs. Judy Flood, Mr. Fred Stanek, Ms. MaryAnne Mascolo, Mr. Rick Belden, Mr. Ed Rostowsky, Mr. Paul Sponheimer

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Mr. Rostowsky was pleased to report that he found a candidate for the head wrestling coach position. The candidate is a Derby teacher and he will bring this candidate forward to the Board.

Mrs. Krohelski asked the Board to reconsider a dance team for Seymour High School. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of volunteer coaches and the need for appropriate state requirements and certification. Mr. Belden reviewed all the open Appendix E positions and based on unfilled positions would be able to fund a Dance Team Coach at the same pay level as the Cheerleading Coach.

MOTION: (Mr. Stanek, Mrs. Flood) This committee makes a recommendation to the full Board to fund an Appendix E Dance Team Coach position for the 2007-2008 school year and review participation at the end of the school year.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: – Mr. Ward, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Flood, Mr. Stanek

Mr. Rostowsky reviewed a request to reinstate the weightlifting program three days per week beginning in December and ending approximately March 20. Discussion took place regarding participation and how students would be allowed to participate. Mr. Stanek strongly stated that he was not happy with the rigid rules that were applied to the weightlifting program, for example, student(s) would not be able to miss weightlifting to attend an academic field trip or they would be removed from the program. Ms. Mascolo asked for clarification on the weightlifting proposal. Ms. Mascolo asked if this was a sport or a club. What other club would a student be removed from for missing a session? Mr. Rostowsky said he was sure that this would be looked at. Mrs. Flood wanted to know how the 66 slots be allotted. Mr. Sponheimer felt that non-athletes should be given first preference to participate in the weightlifting program.

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, Mr. Ward) To make a recommendation to the full Board to reinstate the winter weightlifting program for three days per week from December 2007 to March 2008.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: - Mr. Ward, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Flood, Mr. Stanek

Mr. Rostowsky reviewed the Spring Athletic Report as well as the success of the Athletic trainer. Ed reported that the Athletic trainer has been an asset to the athletic programs and has been educating athletes regarding MRSA.

Mr. Rostowsky asked if it was necessary to have a physician present at all varsity football games. Mr. Belden will investigate this.

Ms. Mascolo presented the concept of a Senior Citizen Pass for home athletic events as well as student performances. She shared that Ms. Lucy McConologue, Seymour Senior Center Director, would be happy to distribute the Senior Passes for the Board of Education at the Seymour Senior Center.

MOTION: (Mr. Stanek, Mrs. Flood). To recommend to the full Board implementation of a Senior Citizen Pass for home athletic events and student performances.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: – Mr. Ward, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Flood, Mr. Stanek

Under the chairperson's report, Jim Ward opened discussion on a letter received from Joe Perrucci regarding work that was being done on the soccer fields. Discussion ensued as to the need to better communicate between town departments regarding work on the athletic fields. The committee instructed Ms. Mascolo to write a letter to Robert Koskelowski, First Selectman, Dennis Rozum, Director of Public Works and William Paecht, the Chairman of the Parks Department requesting that no major projects begin without consultation with the Board of Education.

MOTION: (Mrs. Flood, Mr. Baker) to adjourn the meeting

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: – Mr. Ward, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Flood, Mr. Stanek

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by:
MaryAnne Mascolo