



## ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 27, 20, 2015

Seymour Middle School

Library Media Room

6:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ed Strumello  
Theodora Klarides  
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Allison Sobieski-McAndrew  
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Rick Belden, Assistant Superintendent  
Jay Hatfield, BOE Member  
Pat Boyle, Board Clerk

### I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Ed Strumello called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

### II. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

A. Reports and Information

#### 1. Criteria for Honoring Retiring Coaches

Mr. Strumello stated with the retirement of Bob Kelo after 31 years of teaching and 30 years coaching the baseball team, a request was made to retire his number. Mr. Kelo played baseball at Seymour High as well as coaching. As a coach, he took his team to five state titles and won one as a coach. This is a similar to Mr. Sponheimer's history as a player and coach and he was so honored back in 2009. At that time the decision was made to allow Mr. Sponheimer to decide if his jersey number would be retired and not allowed to be worn again, or if another Seymour player would be allowed to wear that number. It was felt that a winning record should not be the deciding factor in honoring a coach but rather the years of dedicated service.

**MOTION:** (Ms. Klarides/sec., Mr. Strumello) to recommend to the full Board to retire Mr. Kelo's jersey and allow the decision to be his on whether a future Seymour player may wear his number or not.

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Klarides, Mr. Strumello

Mr. Belden wanted to know when the committee wanted this honor to take place. It was agreed that the administration with the Board will decide where to honor Mr. Kelo.

#### B. Chairman's Report

Mr. Strumello wanted to make sure that Ms. Yusko was informed that she can request an Athletic Committee meeting whenever she feels it necessary as the new athletic director. He suggests that she review the players' and coaches' handbooks. She should also be invited to the Athletic Committee Meetings.

C. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Belden gave an update on the athletic project at the high school. He had a meeting today with Jim Galligan, who is the project manager, Rich Kearns, Wayne Natzel, and Jim Freund. The project is moving forward, they will break ground tomorrow. They will start by the removal of the old bleachers. Students currently parking by the swimming pool entrance will be moved to the front parking area. That section of parking lot will be blocked off, signs will be posted on Ross Drive and Botsford Road stating that the area is a construction zone and fencing will be put up to keep people out of the area.

III. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** (Ms. Klarides/sec., Mr. Strumello) to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Klarides, Mr. Strumello

Submitted by:  
Pat Boyle