



## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 5, 2018  
Seymour Middle School  
7:30 pm

COPY RECEIVED  
DATE: 11/1/18  
TIME: 2:50pm  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

### I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Moment of Silence – Former Teacher – Rosemary Necio

### II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Recognitions
  - 1. Congratulations to Mhad Khan and Sukhman Singh who have been identified as National Merit Scholarship Commended Students. Certificate presentation – Mr. Mike Wilson, Mr. Jim Freund
  - 2. Congratulations to Daniel Bouzolin who has been recognized as a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist and who has recently been recognized for his outstanding performance on the ACT test, earning the highest possible ACT composite score. His achievement places him in the top one-tenth of the top 1%. He is in a group of 2,760 students out of two million. Certificate presentation – Mr. Mike Wilson, Mr. Jim Freund
  - 3. Congratulations to Seymour Middle School. They received a "Remembering our Heroes" Teaching about Veterans" from the State Board of Education and the Department of Veterans Affairs on October 25, 2018 – Mr. Harvey Catlin
  - 4. Congratulations to Mr. Josh Magri and the Seymour High School HOPE Club who sponsored "Dressing Down to Dress Up in PINK". They raised \$1000 which was donated to the Seymour PINK Organization. Great job!
- B. Media Coverage
  - 1. <https://www.wtnh.com/on-air/whats-right-with-schools/what-s-right-with-schools-seymour-hs-electric-car-club/1510328624>
  - 2. <https://www.nhregister.com/valley/article/Seymour-kids-can-stock-up-at-annual-Halloween-13312149.php>
  - 3. [https://valley.newhavenindependent.org/archives/entry/seymour\\_recognizes\\_two\\_commmended\\_students/](https://valley.newhavenindependent.org/archives/entry/seymour_recognizes_two_commmended_students/)
  - 4. <https://www.wtnh.com/sports/seymour-keeps-the-spoon-wins-against-rival-oxford/1537962771>

### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Regular BOE Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2018
  - 2. Special BOE Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2018
  - 3. Special BOE Meeting Minutes 1 – October 24, 2018
  - 4. Special BOE Meeting Minutes 2 – October 24, 2018
- B. Financial Management Summary – Ending October 31, 2018
- C. Acknowledge the receipt of homeschooling notification and render no opinion as to the appropriateness of the planned program
  - 1. Lucian Chavez, Alexander Chavez, Montgomery Chavez  
Ms. Jennifer Chavez has informed the Board of Education of her intent to home school her children, Lucian Chavez, Alexander Chavez, Montgomery Chavez, for the 2018-2019 school year
  - 2. Ahliana Gonzalez  
Ms. Rachel Gonzalez has informed the Board of Education of her intent to home school her child, Ahliana Gonzalez, for the 2018-2019 school year
- D. Staff Hiring – Non Certified
  - 1. Carroll, Angela
    - Instructional Paraprofessional
    - Bungay Elementary School
    - Replacing Laura Stec (transfer)

2. Johnson, Tonya
    - Monitor Paraprofessional
    - Seymour High School
    - New Position
  3. Popielasz, Jennifer
    - Food Service Worker
    - Seymour High School
    - Replacing Nicole Cantor (resignation)
  4. Reilly, Kelly
    - Secretary
    - Seymour Middle School
    - Replacing Isabel Bertram (resignation)
    - Former Clerical Paraprofessional
  5. Reynolds, Lisa
    - School Nurse
    - Chatfield-LoPresti Elementary School
    - Replacing Alissa Brown (resignation)
- E. Staff Hiring – Appendix E
1. Burns, James
    - Head Coach, Indoor Track
    - Seymour High School
    - Replacing John Johnson (resignation)
  2. Jeanette, Chris
    - Assistant Coach, Indoor Track
    - Seymour High School
    - Replacing Mike Thompson (resignation)

**MOTION:** move to approve the consent agenda as presented

**V. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**  
**VI. INFORMATION**

- A. Activities and Recognitions
  1. Seymour Middle School
  2. Bungay Elementary School
  3. Chatfield-LoPresti School
- B. Special Education Monthly Enrollment Update – Dr. Kris Boyle
- C. Staff Retirement - Certified
  1. Anthony-Bogue, Jennifer
    - Teacher, English
    - Seymour High School
    - Effective January 11, 2018
  2. Hamad, Bernadette
    - Principal
    - Seymour Middle School
    - Effective June 30, 2019
- D. Staff Resignations - Appendix E
  1. Fearon, Nicole
    - Head Coach, Girls Soccer
    - Seymour Middle School
    - Effective October 29, 2018
  2. Sorge, Daniel
    - Head Coach, Boys Basketball
    - Seymour Middle School
    - Effective October 11, 2018
- E. Staff Hiring – Appendix E
  1. Papa-Zinko, Kathleen
    - Adviser, Anime Club
    - Seymour High School
    - New (incubator club)

2. Papa-Zinko, Kathleen
  - Adviser, Gay Straight Alliance
  - Seymour High School
  - New (incubator club)
3. Prasauckas, Craig
  - Head Coach, Girls Basketball
  - Seymour Middle School
  - Replacing Paul O'Connor (resignation)

## VII. REPORTS and DISCUSSION

- A. Out of State Field Trips
  1. Mr. Harvey Catlin will discuss the itinerary of the proposed Philadelphia, PA trip  
**MOTION:** to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the field trip request of Mr. Harvey Catlin to take grade 8 students on an out of state field trip to Philadelphia, PA on May 29, 2019 through May 31, 2019
  2. Mr. Nate Dobas is requesting permission for the middle school Glee Club to attend Broadway classroom in New York City, NY on January 5, 2019  
**MOTION:** to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the field trip request of Mr. Nate Dobas to take grade 8 students on an out of state field trip to New York City, NY on January 5, 2019
- B. HS Student Representative Report – Mr. Sukhman Singh, Miss Ashley Sirowich
- C. Committee Reports
  1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2018
- D. Schedule Updates
  1. Seymour Middle School – Ms. Bernadette Hamad
  2. Seymour High School – Mr. Jim Freund
- E. Fall Data Review – Mr. Mike Wilson
- F. Budget Timeline and Action Items – Mr. Mike Wilson
- G. Board of Education Report
  1. Chairman's Comments
  2. Board Member Comments
- H. Superintendent Report

## VIII. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- A. One Man Team  
 Mr. Thomas Brockette, Athletic Director of Ansonia High School is requesting permission for senior Victor Falkowski to participate with the Seymour High School Boys Swim team as a one-man team
  - B. 2019-2020 BOE Meeting Schedule  
**MOTION:** to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2019-2020 BOE Meeting Schedule as presented
  - C. 2019-2020 School Calendar  
**MOTION:** to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar as presented
  - D. Early Retirement Incentive Program  
**MOTION:** to authorize an Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) per the collective bargaining agreement for eligible Teachers and Administrators as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools
  - \* E. **MOTION:** move that the Board enter Executive Session for discussion on a personnel issue. The Board invites Mr. Michael Wilson, Mrs. Vonda Tencza, and Mr. Rick Belden into the Executive Session
- \* It is anticipated that the asterisked items will be discussed in Executive Session from which the public will be excluded*

## IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

## X. ADJOURNMENT

**Note:** The next scheduled **Regular Board of Education** meeting is on **Monday, December 10, 2018**  
at 7:30 in Seymour High School.