

Seymour Board of Education



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

May 7, 2018
Seymour Middle School
7:30 pm

COPY RECEIVED
DATE: 5/3/18
TIME: 2:20 pm
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

A. Recognitions

1. Congratulations to Seymour Middle School Scholar Leaders Kaya Banka and MiKayla Zedek! The CAS Scholar Leader Award is presented to students who distinguish themselves in scholarship and leadership in school and community. They will be recognized with a banquet at the Aqua Turf in June. The criteria: distinguished himself/herself in scholarship and leadership in school and community, cumulative middle school average of at least a "B", active participation in school, participation in community organizations, citizenship, positive influence on school climate, dependability, responsibility, and charter and integrity
2. Congratulations to Adelina Barreira and Colin Stewart, who participated in a Women's History Month Essay Contest, hosted by State Representative Nicole Klarides-Ditria and State Senators Eric Berthel and Kevin Kelly. Adelina wrote a powerful essay about "The First Lady of the Library" Caroline Maria Hewins, and Colin submitted an articulate summary of the life of Ella T. Grasso. Adelina's essay received first place recognition, and both students were honored by State Representative Klarides-Ditria and Senator Berthel on Monday, April 9. Both students received a commendation from the Connecticut General Assembly and a commemorative lapel pin. Adelina was also presented with an honorary American Flag, which was flown above the state capitol building in her honor on April 4.
3. Congratulations to Michael Azzarone, Sarah Bireley, Joey Carrafiello, Robby Carrafiello, Lilliana Criscio, Raymond Dong, Jake George, Charlotte Kempf, Sienna Lucas, Anthony Marchetti, Owen Marganski, and Izabel Ter who will be participating in Marine Science Day at the Connecticut River Museum in Essex, Connecticut. The workshop, which will be held on May 9, is a program sponsored by Project Oceanology to educate students about Long Island Sound and marine science.
4. Congratulations to the 2018-2019 Seymour Teacher of the Year Angelique McAuliffe, who is a second grade teacher at Bungay Elementary School. Ms. McAuliffe will represent Seymour at the State Teacher of the Year ceremony on December 5, 2018.
5. Congratulations to the students who competed in the VITAHLS Healthy Cooking Contest on Thursday, April 12. Grade 6 - Victoria Koether Third Place (Teriyaki Chicken Cups), Sam Marquez, Madison McDougall. Grade 7 - Lilleyen Young Second Place (Asian Lettuce Wraps), Grade 8 - Michaela Roach First Place (Asian Meatball Salad)
6. Congratulations to the 2018 Seymour Middle School Debate Team on another successful State Tournament performance. The team competed last week in Greenwich in the final state tournament of the school year. Because of the vacation week, SMS brought a much smaller squad than usual but still did exceptionally well. The SMS debaters competed in six debates and outpointed their opponents in five of them! Congratulations to 8th grade debaters Mikayla Zedek, Ejona Gashi and Jason Oulette who will bring their skills to SHS next year and to Mercedes Ter and Chris Reiter who will debate for SMS again in 2018-2019. Seymour High School and Seymour Middle School are quickly establishing themselves as forces to be reckoned with in Connecticut!

B. Correspondence

1. Letter dated April 11, 2018 to Mr. Jason Hiruo, ACES-ECA from Mr. Rick Belden approving the attendance of six students at the Education Center for the Arts for the 2018-19 school year.
2. Letter dated April 12, 2018 to Mr. Jim Freund, Principal Seymour High School from Barbara Jenko, Education Coordinator at the Seymour Historical Society thanking him for providing transportation and release time for Ms. Heather Brown and HOPE Club students to attending training as docents for their History of Seymour program for third grade.

- C. Media Coverage
1. Seymour Middle School Honor Roll –
http://valley.newhavenindependent.org/archives/entry/seymour_middle_school_honor_roll/
 2. Essay Contest Winners –
http://valley.newhavenindependent.org/archives/entry/state_lawmakers_honor_essay_contest_winners/
 3. Budgets - <https://www.nhregister.com/valley/article/Seymour-residents-to-vote-on-budgets-April-26-12838586.php>

III. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
IV. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes
1. Special BOE Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2018
- B. Financial Management Summary – Ending April 30, 2018
- C. Nutrition Services Financial Report – March, 2018
- D. Acknowledge the receipt of homeschooling notification and render no opinion as to the appropriateness of the planned program
1. Hannah Syrett
Mr. Michael Syrett has informed the Board of Education of his intent to home school his child, Hannah Syrett, for the 2017-2018 school year
- E. Staff Hiring – Certified
1. Spagnuolo, Kimberly
 - Math Teacher
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Joshua Fintz

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 Hiring – Appendix E
1. Leahy, Courtney
 - Head Coach, Dance Team
 - Seymour High School
 - Replacing Katelyn McQuillan
- D. Staff Resignation – Certified
1. DeSimone, Justine
 - Special Education Teacher
 - Seymour Middle School
 - Effective June 30, 2018
- E. Staff Resignation – Non Certified
1. Rinkewith, Joan
 - School Nurse
 - Chatfield-LoPresti School
 - Effective June 29, 2018
- F. Staff Resignation – Appendix E
1. Cleveland, Brian
 - Head Coach, Girls Soccer
 - Seymour High School
 - Effective April 11, 2018

VII. **REPORTS and DISCUSSION**

- A. HS Student Representative Report – Miss Paulina Karwowski and Mr. Sukhman Singh

- B. Committee Reports
 - 1. Finance Committee Minutes – April 11, 2018
 - 2. Shared Services Committee Minutes – April 3, 2018
- C. Update on the Effectiveness of the Kinesthetic Equipment at Bungay School – Mrs. Mary Sue Feige
- D. Update on Professional Learning in Seymour – Mrs. Vonda Tencza
- E. Board of Education Report
 - 1. Chairman's Comments
 - 2. Board Member Comments
- F. Superintendent Report

VIII. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- A. Out of State Field Trip
 - 1. The Breakers Tour, Bowen's Wharf and Bannister Wharf, and Marble House – Newport, RI
Ms. Anthony-Bogue, Ms. Stephanie Shelinsky, Ms. Lisa Cheney, and Mr. Gilbert would like to take Grade 11 and Grade 12 Junior English, UCONN ECE, and AP Literature students on a field trip to The Breakers Tour, Bowen's Wharf and Bannister Wharf, and Marble House in Newport, RI on June 7, 2018
- B. Policy Revisions Recommended by Policy Committee
 - 1. Policy 6146 Graduation Requirements – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 6146 Graduation Requirements as presented
 - 2. Policy 5113 Attendance/Excuses/Dismissal – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 5113 Attendance/Excuses/Dismissal as presented
 - 3. Policy 5113.2 Truancy – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 5113.2 Truancy as presented
 - 4. Policy 5125 Students Records – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 5125 Students Records as presented
 - 5. Policy 0521 Non Discrimination – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 0521 Non Discrimination as presented
 - 6. Policy 5118.1 Homeless Students – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise policy 5118.1 Homeless Students as presented
 - 7. Policy 5141.27 First Aid/Emergency Medical Care – approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to revise Policy #5141.27 as presented.
- C. Awards Advisory Committee Recommendations
The Awards Advisory Committee requests the full Board accept the recommendation to award the 2018 David A. Brumer Excellence in Education Award to [REDACTED], the John J. Gallagher Memorial Athletic Award to [REDACTED] the Vincentena Kobasa Excellence in Teaching Award to [REDACTED] the Thomas J. Petruny Memorial Education and Environment Award to [REDACTED]
- D. Shared Services with the Town of Seymour
 - 1. Systemwide Technology Coordinator
MOTION: to continue with the agreement regarding the Board of Education, Technology Director shared position with the Town of Seymour
 - 2. Facilities Manager
MOTION: to continue with the agreement regarding the Board of Education, Facilities Manager shared position with the Town of Seymour

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

X. ADJOURNMENT

Note: The next scheduled Regular Board of Education meeting is on Monday, June 4, 2018. Awards start at 7:00 and the regular BOE meeting starts at 7:30 in Seymour High School.