

# Seymour Board of Education FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 14, 2020  
7:00 pm

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DATE: 9/21/20  
TIME: 1:35 pm  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

## BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Kristen Harmeling  
Beth Nesteriak  
Ed Strumello

## OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Michael Wilson, Superintendent of Schools  
Vonda Tencza, Associate Superintendent  
Sherry Holmes, Business Manager  
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk

### I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Harmeling called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:01 p.m.

### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Please note: If you would like to have a public comment read into the minutes, please email your brief (300 words or less) comment along with your full name and address to [rdyer@seymourschools.org](mailto:rdyer@seymourschools.org) by no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, September 14, 2020.

None

A. Financial Management Summary

Ms. Harmeling commented that the financial management report looks a little different. Ms. Holmes said she is in touch with the programmers to request we have subtotals included. She is hopeful it will be done soon. Ms. Holmes reviewed the Financial Management Summary ending August 31, 2020. She reported that the business office is currently working with the auditors for the annual audit for fiscal year end 2019-20. The auditors will be working remotely and anything they require will be scanned to them. The EFS and SEECG reports were completed and filed by the September 1, 2020 deadline. The ESSER Grant application #1 has been approved by the State for \$229,844 that will pay for four building subs salaries and benefits, software enhancements and PPE supplies. The second State grant application for \$1.2 million has not yet been posted. She feels it will be available soon. She reviewed each line item. She asked if the Board members had any questions. Ms. Nesteriak asked about the breakdown for grant 1. There was a total list of items paid for and she wondered how it would be reimbursed. Ms. Holmes explained that when the funds are available the money would be transferred back to reimburse those amounts. Ms. Nesteriak asked if any accounts have a shortfall and Ms. Holmes said at this time, it is too early to tell. Ms. Nesteriak said she knows sports are up in the air but asked if there have been any expenses related to sports. Ms. Holmes said many conversations are happening regarding sports. She said the coaches' salaries is always a possibility. Ms. Harmeling pointed out that all fall sports coaches have been working. Ms. Harmeling asked if we have gotten any numbers for the second grant. She said she thought she heard our number had gone up. She again asked that the grant application be discussed by the full Board. Ms. Holmes said she is waiting for the grant application to be put up and the number could change. Ms. Harmeling asked about the percentage of free and reduced lunch and Ms. Holmes said we do not know yet for this year. The amount we received from the second grant is reflective of our Title I, II, and III grants. Ms. Harmeling said she would like to know what was asked for and felt the full Board should know this. She also asked for what was requested/asked for in the survey. Mr. Strumello asked for clarification on the survey. Ms. Holmes said it was a survey mechanism. Ms. Nesteriak asked about the Super Sandwich expense and Ms. Holmes explained that the district bought lunch for the staff on opening day. She said Super Sandwich was reasonably priced and the food was good.

**MOTION:** (Ms. Nesteriak/sec., Mr. Strumello) to recommend to the full Board the approval of the Financial Management Summary ending August 31, 2020

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Nesteriak, Mr. Strumello

**MOTION PASSES:** 3-0

**IV. REPORTS**

A. Chairman's Report

None

B. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Wilson thanked Ms. Holmes for all of her work.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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None

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** (Mr. Strumello/sec., Ms. Nesteriak) to adjourn

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Nesteriak, Mr. Strumello

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm

Submitted by:  
Lee-Ann Dauerty  
Board Clerk

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