SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
March 17, 2022  
Central Office  
7:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:  
Stephan Behuniak  
Kristen Bruno  
Christopher Champagne  
James Garofolo  
Kristen Harmeling  
Shannon Levey  
Beth Nesteriak

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:  
Jay Hatfield  
Ed Strumello

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:  
Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools  
Salvatore A. Bucci, Business Manager (by phone)  
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER  
A. Pledge of Allegiance  
Mr. Champagne called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:02 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT  
Public Comment provides the opportunity for the public to make a comment. It is not a dialogue between the Board and the public. Based upon what is heard during Public Comment, the Board may choose to add a topic to the agenda. If questions are posed that the Chairman is able to answer, those questions may be addressed under the Chairman's Comments portion of the agenda. The Board will not discuss personnel matters. Comments should be respectful and no longer than 3 minutes in length so that all who wish to comment may have the opportunity to do so. All public wanting to comment will need to state their name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board.  
None

III. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION  
A. 2022-23 Education Budget  
There was a discussion on where we are in the budget process and what the next steps would be. There was talk about what might be changed in the format of the budget. Explanations regarding how we got to where we are today were shared and helped the new board members to understand the process. Further discussions on changes and more information that had been obtained to reflect changes in the budget that could be realized.  
MOTION: (Ms. Harmeling/sec., Mr. Garofolo) to adopt a revised BOE 2022-2023 budget that reflects the following changes: actual expected 2021-22 Eversource electric bill with a 12% increase, health insurance based on a 9% increase instead of a 12% increase, reductions in staff counts due to one retiring teacher, two retiring secretaries and four paraeducator positions none of which have been filled this school year, reductions in salary costs for three retirees/resignations who can be replaced at a lower salary, and increase in the estimated bussing costs of $200,000  
SO VOTED  
AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Levey, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 7-0
IV. ADJOURNMENT
MOTION: (Mr. Garofolo/sec., Ms. Bruno) to adjourn

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Behuniak, Ms. Bruno, Mr. Champagne, Mr. Garofolo, Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Levey, Ms. Nesteriak

MOTION PASSES: 7-0
The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk