

THE PEPPER

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Mystery Teacher
By Jarrett Moody

1. What’s your favorite fast food? a. Nachos
2. What High School didyou graduate from?
a. IndianolaHighSchool
3. What is your favorite hobby?
a. Gardening
4. How many siblings do you have?
a. 4
5. What’s your dream pet? a. Bernese Mountain Dog
6. What’s your dream vehicle?a. Don’t have one.
Any vehicle tha truns and can get me from place to place
7. What’s your favorite color? a. Purple
8. If you could have any superpower what would it be?
a. Super fast speed
9. Do you live in Wayne County? a. Yes
10.What was your favorite subject in school?
a. FrenchClass

Callon Spurgeon
Sports

The Varsity Football Team won last Friday against Twin Cedars, 52-40. The Junior High Football Team won on Monday against Twin Cedars. The Junior Varsity team also won. The Varsity Volleyball team traveled to Murray to play in a triangular against Murray and Moulton. This week is homecoming and the Football Team plays Mormon Trail this Friday. Seymour Volleyball is hosting a tournament this Saturday. They play Mormon Trail, Cardinal, and Moulton. Those are your sports for this week.

Seymour Weekly

It is homecoming week for the Warriors so that means they'll be toilet paper everywhere and students running everywhere all over town. We ask that if your house is being Tee peed to leave it there all week to show great school spirit. We encourage the whole town to come to boom night tonight and to cheer loud at the big game.

Chase Power

Athlete Spotlight

This week’s Athlete Spotlight is Coley Housh. Housh is in her second year under Ms. Miller’s coaching. Coley is a sophomore at Seymour Community School District. She is a setter and enjoys playing it. Housh plays because it keeps her in shape for other sports and helps improve her leadership skills.

Coley’s favorite memory from volleyball season is when the Warriorettes took down the Melcher Dallas Saints. Her favorite part of the season is playing with her friends and getting better at the sport. The Warriorettes have four wins on the season and are looking to build on that.

By Gavyn Jellison

world news-

Trump's plan to end the war in Gaza, and they will present the group's response to Egyptian and Qatari mediators on Wednesday, a source close to the process told CBS news on Tuesday.

The plan, which mr trump presented alongside israel prime minister benjamin netanyahu at the white house on monday, is a 20 point proposal which, if agreed to, would see a swift ceasefire in Gaza, the release of all The remaining hostages and a number of passionate prisoners in Israel. It says that within 72 hours of Israel publicly accepting this agreement. Including all hostages,alive and deceased will be returned.

Mr Trump's proposal does not include any immediate role for the PA in administering post-war Gaza, but it says the organization could eventually securely and effectively take back control of Gaza once it has implemented a series of reforms. The leaders of a number of muslim majority nations including the key states in the middle east,quickly signalled support for the plan. Jordan the united arab emirates,indonesia, pakistan, turkey, saudi arabi and qatar issued a joint statement welcoming mr trump sincere efforts to the end the war in gaza.

Pepper staff- Jessa willey

Pepper Staff Spotlight

This week’s Pepper Staff Spotlight is Blake Bellman. Blake is not involved in any extra activities. Outside of school, Blake enjoys fixing things. He has four siblings. Blake’s goal for the rest of the school year is to graduate early.

In school, Blake enjoys hanging out with friends. His favorite subject in school is the Communications class, taught by Mr. Crawford. He does not plan on attending college. When Blake is older, he would like to become a welder. He would like to live somewhere in the Seymour area.

By: Lacie Peck

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Then Spurgeon would take a pick six 25 yards to the house from his middle linebacker position for the third score of the quarter. Collis would keep it going as he would be successful on all three PATs. The Warriors had all but put the victory away by the beginning of the final quarter.

The Warriors placed their JV teams on the field for the final quarter and did well as they played against Trail’s varsity team. The only score of the final quarter was on the last play of the game when the Saints would hit a 5 yard pass play making the final score 54-28.

The Warriors were very excited about their win and ending homecoming week with a victory. With the win the Warriors move into a tie for third place in the district setting up two key games at the end of the season. The Warriors will travel to Lenox this Friday and host Murray in two weeks for senior night. If the Warriors can take victories in their next two games it will give them the opportunity to make the playoffs for the first time since 2005.

Coach Denny Whitlow

Help Wanted-Government
POLICE OFFICER: The Indianola Police Department is now accepting applications for Police Officer. Apply online at this link: <https://indianolaiowa.applicantpro.com/jobs> , choose Police Officer. Deadline 10/24/2025 EOE

Miscellaneous
Does your basement or crawl space need some attention? Call Thrasher Foundation Repair! A permanent solution for waterproofing, failing foundations, sinking concrete and nasty crawl spaces. FREE Inspection & Same Day Estimate. \$250 off ANY project with code GET250. Call 1-866-554-1730

Miscellaneous
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Miscellaneous
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Miscellaneous
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SEYMOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Official Minutes Board of Education Regular Seymour Board Room Wednesday, September 17th, 2025; 6:00 PM	ond by Trevor Sherrard to approve the District Financials as presented to the board. All Ayes. Motion carried. OPEN ENROLLMENT: None at this time. RESIGNATIONS: Motion by Drew Power, second by Whitney Hornaday to approve the resignation of Scott Valentine as the Junior High Softball Coach. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Drew Power, second by Trevor Sherrard to approve the resignation of Bryson Dinwiddie as Athletic Director and Elementary/Secondary Teacher effective at the end of the 25/26 Baseball/Softball Season. All Ayes. Motion carried. CONTRACTS: Motion by Missy Liggett, second by Trevor Sherrard to approve the amended contract for Scott Valentine as the Superintendent/SPED Director for 25/26 SY. All Ayes. Motion carried. DISCUSSION ITEMS: Scott Valentine presented the monthly Mighty Mini Warrior Daycare update. The daycare currently has 59 children enrolled and they will be adding an additional infant in October. Scott Valentine spoke about the current status of the Technology Department and the school's chrome books. There are many chrome books needing to be updated, repaired, or replaced and spoke about options that will need to occur in order to purchase new chrome books
CALL TO ORDER: President Jones called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM MEMBERS PRESENT: Sarah Jones, Missy Liggett, Drew Power, Whitney Hornaday, and Trevor Sherrard. MEMBERS ABSENT: AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Whitney Hornaday to approve the amenda agenda as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried. MINUTES APPROVAL: Motion by Drew Power, second by Trevor Sherrard to approve the August Board Minutes as presented to the board. All Ayes. Motion carried. BILLS APPROVAL: Motion by Drew Power, second by Trevor Sherrard to approve the September Board Bills as presented to the board. All Ayes. Motion carried. PAYROLL APPROVAL: Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Whitney Hornaday to approve the September Payroll as presented to the board. All Ayes. Motion carried. FINANCIALS APPROVAL: Motion by Missy Liggett, second by	Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC7.34 Hotsy Cleaning Systems, Inc.394.32 INDIAN HILLS COMM. COLLEGE.....435.80 IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.....600.00 SERVICES Iowa High School Speech Assoc.....150.00 Iowa School Finance Information Services.....462.00 Mattingly Music Books Hobbies.....54.00 Official Pest Control, Inc.....100.00
Seymour CSD Vendor Name Vendor Description Amount 10 GENERAL FUND ALLIANT ENERGY...20,765.77 BANKS, SHELBY.....46.20 Blick Art Materials.....874.14 Capturing Kids Hearts.....8,770.00 City Of Seymour.....1,220.33 ECKLES CHIROPRACTIC.....150.00 Fogle True Value & Hardware623.99	PBIS APPS.....950.00 RIVER HILLS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER.....100.00 Scholastic Inc.....3,215.50 School Specialty LLC...594.60 Seymour Herald.....892.04 Sinclair Napa.....143.42 SOFTWARE UNLIMITED, INC .ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE6,650.00 U. S. Cellular.....763.21 VALENTINE, MICHELLE.....343.70 Windstream.....520.98 Fund Number 10.....48,827.34 33 CAPITAL PROJECTS

and needing to impose some rules in ensuring that the chrome books are well taken care of and have minimal risk to future damage. Derick Jones discussed the HVAC Unit and gave a presentation on the planned replacement and repair of the system. It was discussed the possible cost for repair/replacement of units that have been incorrectly installed. Corrie Wray discussed bank accounts and their interest rates. The current interest rates need to be re-evaluated and options needing to be looked at to see what other interest rates can be offered. It was decided to get different bank estimates on interest rates to present to the board at a later meeting date. Michael Moran discussed the FAST testing progress and stated that K-6 grade are nearly finished with their testing. Homecoming is October 3rd and students are getting everything ready for the events to take place during that week. The school will be having a social worker from GPAEA in the building weekly to support students with counseling services to help improve school achievement. The City of Seymour came to put in a crosswalk area from the west/middle doors to the west parking lot. Due to the lack of crosswalk, students and families walk in multiple areas of the street causing congestion and Mr. Moran hopes that by installing a crosswalk will help minimize the congestion and create a more defined path for walking as well as increasing safety. Mr. Moran also discussed the staff that were going to take CPI Training that discusses strategies with handling escalating behaviors in students and how to approach those situations. Mr. Moran also presented some fundraisers that will need board approval. Mr. Valentine discussed the Nutrition Department and the role they have in the building. He noted that we have an administrative review coming up and that there were areas of the meal pattern that we were not in complete compliance and had to be modified. Discussions took place on the amount of food that was served to students, and he discussed what is regulated and required by the State of Iowa in order to meet the meal pattern and the amounts of food required and the limits that are not allowable to exceed during the day and week for students. It was also discussed the possible joint board meeting with Mormon Trail to potentially discuss shared positions, shared athletics, and agreements. ACTION ITEMS: Motion by Whitney Hornaday, second by Trevor Sherrard to table the Operational Sharing	American Alarms.....5,273.25 Basepoint Building Automations.....870.00 CDW Government, Inc.....24,096.57 Fund Number 33.....30,239.82 Fund Number 62 DAYCARE FUND BROOKS, MICHELLE...605.00 Fund Number 62.....605.00 Checking Account ID 0179,672.16
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Agreements to be presented at a later meeting date. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Missy Liggett to table the Sports/Activity Sharing agreements to be discussed at a later meeting date. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Drew Power, second by Trevor Sherrard to approve the Allowable Growth in the amount of \$140,669.54 as allowed by the Department of Management. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Drew Power to table the Voted PPEL Board Resolution until the March Board Meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Drew Power, second by Trevor Sherrard to table the ticket prices for athletic events until after the BGC Superintendent Meeting is held to get further guidance. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Missy Liggett to table the discussion of bank transfers until receiving additional quotes from other banks regarding interest rates and bank policies. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Trevor Sherrard, second by Whitney Hornaday for the first reading of the Fundraising Policy Amendment. All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Trevor Sherrard,	Checking Account ID 02 21 ACTIVITY FUND BARBER, TYLER.....145.00 BEARY, RACHEL.....229.60 DAVIS, GREGORY.....145.00 F&S Greenhouse.....1,071.00 HAMMEN, JED.....145.00 HINES CATERING.....642.00 James Rudacille.....125.00 KERN, DANIEL145.00 KIRK, TOM.....145.00 Mike Gill.....375.00 MURPHY, DYLAN.....80.00 PIONEER ATHLETICS.547.66 Rich Choponis.....250.00 SMITH, DUSTIN145.00
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second by Whitney Hornaday to approve the fundraisers as presented to the board. All Ayes. Motion carried.
IMPORTANT DATES:
Next CSIAC Meeting (Date to be announced) in the Lunch-room.
October 3rd, 2025 - Homecoming
October 20th, 2025 – Next Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 PM in the Board Room.
MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion by Drew Power, second by Missy Liggett to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 PM. All Ayes. Motion carried.
The next regular meeting will be the third Monday of the month at 6:00 PM unless posted otherwise.

/s/ Sarah Jones
President, Board of Education
/s/ Corrie Wray
Secretary, Board of Education
Date
These minutes are written as recorded by the Board Secretary and subject to approval at the next regular board meeting. Corrie Wray, Board Secretary/Treasurer.

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