

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
June 2, 2022-5:30 PM
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room
MASKS RECOMMENDED IN ALL SCHOOL BUILDINGS BUT NOT REQUIRED

BOE Members Present

Ms. Deborah Corsner, Mr. Jeffery Hartwell, Mrs. Linda Jones, Mrs. Cara Lajewski, Mr. Joseph McNamara, Mr. Michael Mirras (arrived at 5:42), Mrs. Joell Murney-Karsten, Mr. William Reigel, Mrs. Heather Zellers

BOE Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. Jeramy Clingerman, Mr. James Bruni, Mrs. Jodie Verkey, Principals: Mrs. Faith Lewis, Mr. Kevin Korzeniewski, Mr. Kevin Rhinehart, Mrs. Amy Hibbard, Ms. Janet Clendenen and Sgt. Poole, SRO, Christine Petrocci and family, Lois Dugo and family, David Major, Toni Fleszar, Tony Ferrara, Sara Deatherage, Amy Beaudin and Meghan Barbay. Megan Marley, Sydney Partee, Caralynne Cole, Regina Lux, Gavin Tompkins, Cody Shultz, Dominic Spano, Stella Knight, and Michael Kelley. Various family and friends present for the recognitions and/or presentations.

Mrs. Lajewski called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Agenda:

Mrs. Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the agenda with addendums as listed:

ADD under VIII. Information:

D. Food Service Report-Stephanie Lyon-Lawrence

ADD under IX. Consent Agenda

A. Resignation/Retirement

1. SFEA

- a. Name: Shelby Koehler
Position: Science Teacher (Gr. 8)

2. SFSSA

Resignation

- b. Name: Deanna Monaghan
Civil Service Position: Cashier/Food Service Helper

ADD under X. Old Business

A. Correction to May 16, 2022 Substitute Appointment

ADD-XII. Executive Session- Hiring of a Particular Person

Note: Deanna Monaghan's school monitor appointment has been changed from 6 to 2.5 hours/day.

Mrs. Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Zellers.

Discussion: Mrs. Lajewski requested that the 5th Grade Student Council Presentation be moved to before V. Recognitions on the agenda and the VII. Committee Reports would be moved to after the recognitions and after VIII. Information.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board of Education Minutes

May 5, 2022

Mrs. Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated May 5, 2022.

Mr. Reigel made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Jones.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

May 16, 2022 Special Meeting

Mrs. Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated May 16, 2022.

Mrs. Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Ms. Corsner.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

May 17, 2022 Annual Meeting

Mrs. Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated May 17, 2022.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNamara.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2022.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Murney-Karsten.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

5th Grade Student Council and Anthony Noone, Advisor

The 5th grade student council was started in February 2022. Mr. Noone stated that the members were highly motivated and showed fantastic leadership skills. Students were present to speak to the board.

The 5th grade student council have organized and/or participated in the following activities:

- Organized a fundraiser for pet supplies to donate to the Beverly Animal Shelter;
- Organized crafts for 3rd graders after school;
- Organized board games for 4th graders after school;
- Organized kickball for 5th graders after school;
- Recognized women on the bulletin board; distributes treats to all the faculty and staff during teacher appreciation week;
- Visited the Seneca Falls Town Hall to learn about how government works up close and personal.
- June 14, 2022 –Summer Book Giveaway
- June 18, 2022-end of year celebration. The 5th Grade Student Council will be going to Simply Homemade and taking a cooking class.

Recognition:

Valedictorian- Megan Marley

Megan has been named the Mynderse Academy Class of 2022 Valedictorian. Megan is a member of the National Honor Society. She has completed Advanced Placement coursework FLCC Gemini courses. Megan has participated in the Young Entrepreneurs Academy, the MTF Modeling and Acting Training Program, and Yale University's The Science of Well Being class. During her time at Mynderse Academy, Megan has held several leadership positions while at Mynderse Academy including drama club treasurer, Myndersian Yearbook staff member and treasurer, Student Council President, and Junior Rotarian to name a few. Megan participated in Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Lacrosse, AAU basketball, and WEVA Seneca Strikers Club Volleyball.

Megan is an entrepreneur and was formerly the CEO of PEAK GUM. She is currently the CEO of a motivational clothing brand, Trendy Confidence. Megan has also participated in fashion shows with MTF-Fashion Week of Rochester and Fashion Fest. Megan has volunteered for St. Mary's Festival, Methodist Church Food Drive, Middle School Haunted Hallways, Volleyball Summer Camp, It's a Wonderful Run 5K and many more.

Megan plans to attend the University of Miami with a major in electronic media, which is a mix of broadcast journalism and media management. She also plans to minor in motion picture production and entrepreneurship.

Salutatorian- Sydney Partee

Sydney has been named the Mynderse Academy Class of 2022 Salutatorian. Sydney is a member of the National Honor Society. She has completed coursework advanced placement courses and FLCC Gemini courses.

During her time here at Mynderse Academy, Sydney has been a member of Student Council for four years, being the secretary her senior year, a Class of 2022 officer, being the president her freshman year and vice-president her senior year, a Junior Rotarian, and earned the Silver Award in Girl Scouts. Sydney has played on the tennis team, winning the Section V Class B2 Championship in 2021, and competed with both

the indoor and outdoor track and field teams.

Sydney has volunteered for It's a Wonderful Run and at Seneca Returnables. Sydney has been awarded the Junior Rotarian Award, named a Scholar-Athlete and Empire Girls State Delegate, and received both the RIT Computing Medal Award and the Hobart and William Smith Finger Lakes Scholars Award. Sydney plans to attend the Rochester Institute of Technology, pursuing a course of study in mechanical engineering and participating in their Honors Program.

Board of Education Members

Mr. Jeffrey Hartwell has served on the Seneca Falls Board of Education for eleven (11) years. Mr. Hartwell has served on two of the busiest committees while a board member-policy and facilities committees.

Mr. William Reigel has served on the Seneca Falls Board of Education for nine (9) years. Mr. Reigel served on a number of committees over the years. His calm and thoughtful perspective was much appreciated by the board.

Mrs. Linda Jones has been a member of the Board of Education since May 2017. Mrs. Jones was willing to learn and asked questions on why and what would improve the needs of students and the district.

SFCSD Retirees

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Christine Petrocci | ELA Teacher | (31 Years with district) |
| David Major | Math Teacher | (27 Years with district) |
| Melinda Pearce | English Teacher | (20 Years with district) |
| Lois Dugo | Reading Teacher | (18 Years with district) |
| Antoinette Fleszar | Elementary Education (Kind) | (14 Years with district) |
| Anthony Ferrara | Athletic Director | (Came back after 30 Years with district to serve as AD) |

Melinda Pearce, English Teacher (20 Years with district), Michael Miller, Physical Education Teacher (came back after retirement and worked 2 more yrs.), Laurie Picchi, Teacher Aide (28 Years with district) and Vic Porretta, Teacher Aide (9 Years with district) were not present at the meeting.

Tenure

The following employees were recognized for achieving tenure by their building principals.

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Sara Deatherage | Speech Education |
| Meghan Barbay | Reading Education |
| Amy Beaudin | Special Education |

There was no public comment.

Committee Reports

Policy Committee

Mr. Hartwell reported the Policy Committee met on May 24, 2022 at 7:15 am. The committee reviewed the following:

- Policy 5300.33 - BREATHALYZER TESTING. The committee agreed on the name and the policy number.
- Policy 5300.30- PROHIBITED STUDENT CONDUCT-The committee updated "Engage in any conduct that compromises the safety of others during the COVID-19 Pandemic or contagious disease outbreak."
The committee also added "tobacco, tobacco products, and vape/Hyde".
This policy had updates approved by board in February but was not uploaded by NYSBA to our web page. The district clerk will resend and ask to update again with new data.
- Policy 4772 GRADUATION CEREMONIES-The committee added district level administrator to list of people that can make the award of the diploma to their child or grandchild.
Policy 0105-E EQUITY, INCLUSIVITY, AND DIVERSITY IN EDUCATION-The committee agreed they need to do more work and process to define the words. Mr. Clingerman did initial review with DEI committee and uploaded data from DEI committee to folder. The policy committee agreed to

hand off to the policy to the DEI committee for further input on definitions. The adopted definitions would be included in PD for staff to understand and use.

- The next meeting will be June 14, 2022 at 7:15 am

Audit Committee

Mrs. Jones reported that the Audit Committee had met on May 11th. The committee reviewed the state audit report and the corrective action plan. The Board would be voting on the corrective action plan later on in the meeting.

Scholarship Committee

Mr. Reigel reported that the scholarship committee had met with the high school principal and school counselors on May 23, 2022 to review the scholarships and choose recipients for the Class of 2022. The board would be voting on the confidential list of recipients later on the agenda.

Information

Alexis Morrison, and Darien Hendrix-WFL BOCES P-Tech and Mackenzie Higby-WFL BOCES Education Program

Natalie Hare-Digital Media Literacy Presentation (see attached PowerPoint)

After Ms. Hare's presentation, Mr. Mirras inquired as to whether the Lego Robotics Club was still active. Mr. Mirras stated that Mrs. Murney-Karsten's husband, Bryce Corsner and the others who volunteered were great. Ms. Hare reported that the robotics club was not but she had been in contact with Mrs. Wylie, who used to volunteer.

Food Service Report-Stephanie Lyon-Lawrence

Mrs. Stephanie Lyon-Lawrence, School Lunch Manager, was present to update the Board regarding the food program/cafeteria. Mrs. Lyon-Lawrence reported on the following:

- Hired five (5) new employees this school year.
- USDA waivers allowed guardians to pick up meals.
- With free meals being given out this school year, there were 360 more breakfast and 200 more lunches than in other years.
- The US government will no longer be financing free meals for children after June 30. This will affect the summer feeding program. Children will need to consume food on-site.
- No more picking up food and taking it home. School lunch managers/director have been in on zoom meetings trying to fight it.
- Re-imbusement rates are going back to pre-COVID rates for meals.
- Food staples were hard to get during COVID.
- Food costs were up 39% from the first half of school to the second half.
- The science department received a \$5,000 grant for farm to table (seed, grow, prepare food, take to classroom).

Mr. Mirras thanked Mrs. Lyon-Lawrence for taking the time to come in and update the Board.

There was no Business Administrator report.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Clingerman thanked Mr. Hartwell, Mr. Reigel and Mrs. Jones for their years of service to the Board. He also thanked them for the support they have given him during his time at the district.

BOE President Report

Mrs. Lajewski asked the board members to let her know if any of them are interested in attending the Rural School Conference this summer. Mrs. Zellers stated that housing is hard to find.

Mrs. Lajewski, Board President left the meeting at 7:00 pm. Mrs. Zellers, Vice-President of the Board, took over the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Resignation/Retirement

SFEA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts with regret, the following resignation and grants them all applicable benefits per the current Seneca Falls Education Association Agreement.

Name: Hannah Grazul

Position: Science Teacher (Living Environment)

Effective date: June 30, 2022

Name: Bryn Hilbert

Position: Teaching Assistant

Effective date: June 30, 2022

Name: Lucas Klossner

Position: 2022-2023 LTS Social Studies Teacher

Effective date: May 25, 2022

Name: Shelby Koehler

Position: Science Teacher (Gr. 8)

Effective date: August 31, 2022

SFSSA

Retirement

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts with regret, the following resignation for purposes of retirement and grants them all applicable benefits per the current Seneca Falls Support Staff Association Agreement.

Name: Susan Case

Civil Service Position: Senior Typist

Effective date: at the end of the day on July 27, 2022

Name: Vittorio Porretta

Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide

Effective date: at the end of the day on June 30, 2022

Resignation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts with regret, the following resignation and grants them all applicable benefits per the current Seneca Falls Support Staff Association Agreement.

Name: Robert Taylor-Doty

Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide

Effective date: at the end of the day on June 23, 2022

Name: Deanna Monaghan

Civil Service Position: Cashier/Food Service Helper

Effective date: at the end of the day on June 30, 2022

Appointments

Professional Appointments

The Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of Jeramy Clingerman, Superintendent of Schools, hereby appoints (*Probation dates are tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law sections 2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must*

receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.)

Name: Abigail Bourcy
 Position: School Psychologist
 NYS Certification: Pending School Psychologist
 Tenure: School Psychologist
 Effective Date: 07/01/2022
 Probation: 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2026
 Base Salary: \$48,000

Name: Lisa Guererri-Roman
 Position: Elementary Education Teacher
 NYS Certification: Childhood Education (Gr. 1-6) Professional Certification
 Tenure: Elementary Education
 Effective Date: 07/01/2022
 Probation: 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2025
 Base Salary: \$51,109

2021-2022 Annual Appointment

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby make the following appointments for the 2021-2022 school year.

| Employee | Position | Stipend |
|--------------|----------------|---------|
| Carleen Mull | Teacher Mentor | \$350 |

2022-2023 Summer Learning Camp Appointment

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby make the following appointments for the 2022-2023 Summer Learning Camp. .

| Employee | Position |
|------------------|------------------------|
| Emily Porretta | 5 th Grade |
| Natalie Hare | 4 th Grade |
| Anthony Noone | 3 rd Grade |
| Amy Beaudin | |
| Abby Dunphy | |
| Kara Mapstone | |
| Carleen Mull | Summer Reading Program |
| Vicki Burm | FK School Nurse |
| Deana Clemenson | ECS School Nurse |
| Zoe Adams | ECS Health Aide |
| Mary Porretta | ECS Teacher Aide |
| Becky Young | ECS Teacher Aide |
| Cheryl Temple | FK Teacher Aide |
| Christine Felice | FK Teacher Aide |

Civil Service Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following civil service position(s) (All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared).

Name: Tracy Bennett

Civil Service Position: Senior Food Service Helper
Effective Date: 08/22/2022
Probationary Period: 08/22//2022 through 02/21/2023
Hours: 6 hours (10 month)
Hourly Rate: \$16.42

Name: Deanna Monaghan
Civil Service Position: School Monitor
Effective Date: 09/01/2022
Probationary Period: 09/01//2022 through 02/28/2023
Hours: 2.5 hours (10 month)
Hourly Rate: \$14.54

Substitute Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following substitute position(s) *(All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*:

Name: Kelli Ward
NYSED Certification: Uncertified
Position: Per Diem Building Substitute
Effective: 07/01/2022

Name: Madeline Goldberg
NYSED Certification: Uncertified
Position: Substitute Teacher
Effective: 06/03/2022

Name: Hannah Smith
NYSED Certification: Uncertified
Position: Substitute Teacher
Effective: 06/03/2022

Name: Susan Case
Civil Service Position: Substitute Senior Typist
Effective Date: 07/29/2022

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE minutes:

04/19/2022, 04/20/2022, 04/21/2022, 04/22/2022, 04/26/2022, 04/27/2022, 04/28/2022, 04/29/2022, 05/02/2022, 05/03/2022, 05/03/2022 (2), 05/04/2022, 05/05/2022, 05/05/2022 (2), 05/06/2022, 05/09/2022, 05/10/2022, 05/11/2022, 05/12/2022, 05/18/2022, 05/20/2022

Gifts & Donations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following gifts & donations:

| Donor or Gift | Amount/Item | Fund | To be used for: |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Dan Caraher | \$19.00 | A2855-400-00-0000 | Sports Award (wrestling) |
| Barry & Susan Warrick | \$19.00 | A2855-400-00-0000 | Sports Award (lacrosse) |
| SMS Auxiliary | \$100.00 | A2855-400-00-0000 | Sports Award |
| SMS | \$100.00 | A2855-400-00-0000 | Sports Award |
| Constance & Leslie Sowards | \$19.00 | A2855-400-00-0000 | Sports Award (Soccer) |

Probationary to Permanent

Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education hereby approves the following probationary to permanent appointment.

| Employee | Position | Permanent Effective Date |
|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Brian Heitman | Building Maintenance | 06/14/2022 |

Transportation Request-None at this time.

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.

Mr. Mirras made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNamara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Correction to May 16, 2022 Substitute Appointment

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to correct the effective date for the following May 16, 2022 Substitute Appointment:

IX. Consent Agenda

B. Appointments

3. Substitute Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following substitute position(s) (All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared):

c. Name: Alexis Price

Position: Substitute Teacher

Substitute Teaching Assistant

NYS Certification: Uncertified

Effective Date: ~~07/05/2022~~ 05/17/2022

Mrs. Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Ms. Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

Memorandum of Agreements

SFEA

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following Memorandum of Agreement as presented:

SFAA/SFEA MOA- Kaitlyn Lutz School Psychologist

SFAA/SFEA MOA- School Psychologist Recognition

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mirras

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2022-2023 Consortium Community Schools Coordinator Agreement

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and Dr. Joseph Fantigrossi, Consortium Community Schools Coordinator, as presented.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Ms. Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Corrective Action Plan for the OSC Audit

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Administrator of Business and Operations, in conjunction with the Audit Committee, the Board of Education approves the Corrective action plan as presented for the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) Audit.

Mrs. Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Jones.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Policy

Policy-1st Reading

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Education approves the first reading of the following policies:

- POLICY 1400 – Public Complaints
- POLICY 4772- Graduation Ceremonies
- POLICY 4810- Teaching about Controversial Issues
- POLICY 5300.30-Prohibited Student Conduct
- POLICY 5300.33-Breathalyzer Testing

Mr. McNamara made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Jones.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2nd Reading

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Education approves the second and final reading of the following policies:

- POLICY 1405- Complaints about Certain Federally-Funded Programs
- POLICY 2160-School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics
- POLICY 2330- Executive Session
- POLICY 6680- Internal Audit Function

Mr. Hartwell made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNamara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Surplus-Text Books

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to dispose of various surplus district textbooks as listed (see attachment) through sale, donation, disposal or auction according to Board Policy #5250.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Ms. Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2022-23 Seneca Falls CSD Professional Learning Plan

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Seneca Falls CSD Professional Learning Plan as presented.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNamara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2021-2022 Budget Transfers

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Administrator of Business and Operations, the Board of Education approves the 2021-2022 budget transfers as listed:

| From Account # # | \$ Amount | To Account # | For: |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$25,000.00 | A 1981.490-00-0000 | BOCES Admin. Increase |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$19,000.00 | A 1620.400-00-0000 | Cost of 5 yr. long range plan |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$25,000.00 | A 2110.490-00-0000 | BOCES Online Virtual Ed. |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$50,000.00 | A 2250.400-00-0000 | Summer School CSE |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$50,000.00 | A 2630.490-00-0000 | Technology Refresh Plan |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$11,000.00 | A 2020.450-01-0000 | Reading Benchmark Materials |
| A 2250.490-00-0000 | \$11,000.00 | A 2020.450-02-0000 | Reading Benchmark Materials |

Mrs. Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mirras.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Confidential List of Scholarship Recipients

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to approve the confidential list of recipients for the Fredenburgh Scholarship and other awards as presented for the Mynderse Academy graduating Class of June 2022.

Mr. Reigel made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNamara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to move into Executive Session, at 7:09 pm, to discuss the hiring of a particular person.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mirras.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The regular meeting resumed at 7:15 pm

Adjourn

Mrs. Zellers asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Mrs. Jones made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mirras.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried