

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
August 4, 2022 Board of Education Meeting  
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room  
6:00 PM

BOE Members Present

Deborah Corsner, Cara Lajewski, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Michael Mirras, Joell Murney-Karsten

BOE Members Absent

Anthony Ferrara, Joseph McNamara, Heather Zellers

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni

The District Clerk called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Joseph McNamara, Board President and Anthony Ferrara, Vice President were absent from the meeting. If neither the president nor vice-president is present at a board meeting, the board members who are present shall select a temporary president, by motion, for the purpose of conducting the meeting.

The District Clerk asked for a motion. Michael Mirras made the motion that Cara Lajewski be appointed temporary President to run the August 4, 2022 board meeting, Matthew Lando seconded the motion.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Public Hearing-District Code of Conduct

Approval of Agenda

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the agenda as listed:

Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend  
Board of Education Minutes

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated July 21, 2022.

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report  
None at this time

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report  
June 2022

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for June 2022.

Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations.  
None at this time

Public Comment  
None at this time

Committee Reports  
None at this time

Information  
Warrants

06/01/2022- 06/30/2022

Warrant #77 (A)	\$767,362.57
Warrant #78 (A)	\$ 26,034.83
Warrant #79 (A)	\$ 200.00
Warrant #80 (A)	\$ 22,730.55
Warrant #83 (A)	\$434,636.13
Warrant #86 (A)	\$ 70,446.73
Warrant #87 (A)	\$131,507.59
Warrant #88 (A)	\$205,463.21
Warrant #38 (C)	\$ 7,672.24
Warrant #39 (C)	\$ 9,213.49
Warrant #40 (C)	\$ 10,397.93
Warrant #41 (C)	\$ 7,734.94
Warrant #42 (C)	\$ 365.47
Warrant #43 (C)	\$ 3,252.00
Warrant #23 (F)	\$ 2,893.42
Warrant #24 (F)	\$ 2,430.00
Warrant #25 (F)	\$ 15,499.63
Warrant #26 (F)	\$ 7,424.38
Warrant #27 (F)	\$ 6,511.75
Warrant #28 (F)	\$304,920.84
Warrant #36 (H)	\$ 34,824.15
Warrant #3 (TE)	\$ 100.00
Warrant #4 (TE)	\$ 6,575.00
Warrant #5 (TE)	\$ 500.00

Business Administrator

James Bruni reviewed the following items with the Board:

- 2022-2023 Tax Rates. The tax levy increase approximately 5.1 million dollars. Seneca Falls had an increase of 4.1 million dollars (28 cent increase in the tax rate); Fayette had an increase of 1 million dollars (39 cent increase in the tax rate); and Tyre had an increase of \$80,000 (83 cent decrease in the tax rate).
- State and Federal Grant review.
- Shelley Dyson-extend LOA

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reviewed the following items with the Board:

Dr. Reed thanked the Board for their participation in the Aug. 4 Board Retreat. Dr. Reed received positive feedback from the administrative team. Dr. Reed also stated that it was a good way to start the team. Mandatory training for board members-Child Abuse in the Educational Setting. Cayuga Onondaga BOCES has provided a 15 minute training video for the board members. Mr. Bruni showed the Board how to log onto Vector training site to complete the training.

Important Dates to Remember

August 10-New Teacher Orientation  
August 22-6<sup>th</sup> Gr. Orientation  
August 29-BOE Retreat  
August 31-Superintendent Day  
September 1-Superintendent Day

Consent Agenda  
Retirements/Resignations

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby accept the following resignations.

SFEA  
None at this time.

SFSSA

Name: Mary Porretta  
Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide  
Effective date: at the end of the day on July 31, 2022

Name: Becky Young  
Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide  
Effective date: at the end of the day on July 31, 2022

Name: Jennifer Cook  
Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide  
Effective date: at the end of the day on July 31, 2022

Name: Peter Soscia  
Civil Service Position: School Bus Driver  
Effective date: at the end of the day on Aug. 4, 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 Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, hereby appoints the following: *(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: Ryan Ross  
Position: Science Teacher -Grade 8  
Certification: Biology Gr. 7-12-Initial Certification  
Tenure: Science Education  
Effective date: 08/05/2022  
Probation: 08/05/2022 through 08/04/2026  
Base Salary: \$44,939

Name: Lisa Watts  
Position: Science Teacher –Living Environment  
Certification: Biology Gr. 7-12-Permanent Certification  
Tenure: Science Education  
Effective date: 08/05/2022  
Probation: 08/05/2022 through 08/04/2025  
Base Salary: \$56,932

2022-2023 Annual Appointments

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

Position	Employee	Stipend
Medicaid Billing Assistant	Karen Pollino	\$2,750.00

2022-2023 Mynderse Academy Annual Appointments

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

Position	Employee	Stipend
Sophomore Class Adv.	Kelli Ward	\$469.00
Library Depart. Co-Chair	Natalie Hare	\$1,002.00
MA Yearbook Literary Editor	Alison Del Favero	\$2,124.00

Physical Ed. Depart. Co-Chair	Kim Hendy	\$1,002.00
Physical Ed. Depart. Co-Chair	Jessica Lambert	\$1,002.00
Special Education (Gr. 7-12)	Sue Turchetti	\$2,068.00

2022-Fall Coaching Appointments

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

Employee	Position	Stipend
Andrew Meister	Athletic Trainer	Contract
Stephanie Moll	Modified Girls Volleyball	\$2,190.09
Hannah Brown-Trice	Varsity Girls Soccer PAID Assistant	\$2,000.00
Joe Jacuzzo	Modified Girls Tennis Coach	\$2,190.09

Civil Service Appointments

None at this time.

Substitute Appointments

None at this time.

Probationary to Permanent

None at this time.

CSE Minutes

None at this time.

Gifts and Donations

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

Donor or Gift	Amount	Account	To be used for:
Marleen LoTurco	\$500.00	A2110-450-02-0000	Title I Reading Program
Seneca Falls Education Foundation	\$100.00	A2855-450-00-0000	SFCSD Athletic Program in memory of Debra Pappert

Transportation Requests

None at this time

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

2022-2023 Tax Levy

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Tax Levy in the amount of thirteen million, eight hundred forty-three thousand, and eight hundred-seven dollars (\$13,843,807.00).

Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2022-2023 Tax Rates

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Assessed Value Tax Rates as listed:

	<u>School Rate</u>	<u>Library Rate</u>
Seneca Falls	\$27.043420	\$0.6583
Fayette	\$23.137152	\$0.5632

Tyre \$21.919383 \$0.5336  
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2022-2023 Tax Collection Dates

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following tax collection dates for the 2022-2023 school year:

September 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022 No Penalty  
October 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022 2% Penalty  
November 1, 2022 to November 30, 2022 3% Penalty  
No taxes accepted after November 30, 2022

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Memorandum of Agreement

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following Memorandum of Agreements as presented:

SFEA MOA-Kaitlyn Lutz-School Psychologist Mentor  
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Joell Murney-Karsten.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Community Counseling Center of Seneca County Agreement

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the cooperative counseling agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and the Community Counseling Center of Seneca County effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Medical Service Agreement- Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the Medical Service Agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital for the 2022-2023 school year.

Michael Mirras made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Seneca County Head Start Transportation Agreement

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to approve the interagency transportation agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and Seneca County Head Start for the 2022-2023 school year.

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Technology Surplus

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to dispose of following items as listed through sale, donation, disposal or auction according to Board Policy #5250.

HP Chromebooks-14  
HP Laptops-36  
Calculator-1  
Projectors-10  
Apple ipads-4  
Speakers-1  
SMART doc camera-1  
Minute man surge protector-1

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.  
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2021-2022 Budget Transfers

Cara Lajewski 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	To	Amount	Reason
A 9060.800-00-8030	A 1680.490-00-0000	\$78,000	Transfer to cover cost of BOCES Data Processing
A 2250.490-00-0000	A 1910.400-00-0000	\$37,000	Transfer to cover cost of insurance premiums
A 2250.490-00-0000	A 1981.490-00-0000	\$44,000	Transfer to cover the cost of BOCES Administrative costs
A 2250.490-00-0000	A 2630.490-00-0000	\$41,750	Transfer to cover the cost of Server Closet upgrade
A 2250.490-00-0000	A 9040.800-00-0000	\$39,182	Transfer to cover increase cost in workers compensation
A 9731.700-00-0000	A 9731.600-00-0000	\$133,417	Transfer to cover the cost of BAN Principal Payment
A 9060.800-00-8030	A 9731.600-00-0000	\$160,000	Transfer to cover the cost of BAN Principal Payment
A 9711.600-00-0000	A 9731.600-00-0000	\$372,350	Transfer to cover the cost of BAN Principal Payment

Michael Mirras made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session

(Contingent upon adoption of a motion during the public portion of the meeting in accordance with Section 105 of the Public Officers Law).

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to enter in Executive Session at 6:20 pm to discuss matters leading to the appointment of a particular person.

Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The regular meeting resumed at 6: 22 pm.

Adjourn

Cara Lajewski asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 pm.

Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Discussion: Matthew Lando had a question regarding the consent agenda before the meeting adjourned. It was explained that if a board member wanted to discuss an item on the consent agenda at the board meeting, that board member would ask to have the item pulled during the approval of the agenda or could email the Superintendent prior to the meeting for clarification.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk