

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
November 3, 2022 Board of Education Meeting
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room
6:00 PM

Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Michael Mirras, Joell Murney-Karsten, Heather Zellers

BOE Members Absent

Deborah Corsner, Joseph McNamara

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed. James Bruni, Karissa Blamble and Kevin Korzeniewski

In the absence of Joseph McNamara, Board of Education President, Anthony Ferrara, Vice-President of the Board conducted the meeting.

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

Approval of Agenda

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to approve the agenda as listed.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board of Education Minutes

October 20, 2022

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education minutes dated October 20, 2022.

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

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

None at this time.

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for September 2022.

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations.

District Administrator Reports

Karissa Blamble

Director of Special Programs

Karissa Blamble reported that the District has been assigned to report on SPP Indicator 11. State Performance Plan Indicator 11 measures the percent of children who were evaluated within 60 days of receiving parental consent for initial CSE evaluation.

The CSE department will be continuing ongoing professional development, observation and reflection time with our newest Integrated Co-Teaching teaching pairs. Their first check-in session facilitated by Genesee Valley BOCES will be November 8th.

At the most recent District Curriculum Council, the Director and Department Chairs discussed shared goal setting. As a group, they will be working on developing department goals, establishing baseline measures and creating objectives to guide their work together.

CSE/CPSE/504 Meeting Parent meetings have resumed in-person meetings this year. Parents/guardians continue to have the option to join virtually if they choose. Karissa Blamble was pleased to share that parent participation was 94% for the first monitoring period this year!

Kevin Korzeniewski

Athletic Director

Kevin Korzeniewski reported on the following.

Varsity Cheerleading

Madisyon Guenot participated in varsity Game Day Cheer at Geneva High School. Kevin Korzeniewski thanked Geneva CSD for hosting our student-athlete and allowing her to pursue her passion in her senior season.

Cross Country

All students that participated had a great season, continuously besting their previous times. Great improvements were made by all the runners who will compete Saturday in sectionals. Modified numbers (4) are a concern. Female numbers are very low.

Modified League Meet

8/58 Brown, Emily 14:44

35/58 Lott, Grace 17:25

44/64 Lopez, Dario 16:22

60 Powers, Liam 21:48

Varsity League Meet

27/134 Mahoney, Matt 18:50

90 Palmer, Drew 21:02
92 Jones, Trevor 21:05
117 Garo, Neko 22:52
126 Powers, Kyan 24:12
45/92 Rhinehart, Faith 24:56
73 Dombrowski, Lillian 28:08
77 Hilyar-Nida, Parker 28:48

GOLF

Participation numbers were so high that the district had to JV this year to help with instruction and management. The team finished second in the FL West. The overall record was 13-3 in the Finger Lakes West.

1st Team All-League- Luke Spinner

2nd Team All-League- Nico Franzone, Matt Bogart, and Harrison Wirth

Individual Sectionals (May 13th, 2023): Nico Franzone scored 5th overall. 1st Alternate- Luke Spinner

The team will play in Team Sectionals May 22- June 1st

FOOTBALL

The 8-Man team, other than travel and perception, went very well. There will most likely have to be 8-person next year. The modified team carried 36 student-athletes. Outgoing seniors were 8, freshmen moving up to varsity is 10, and the team carried 18 this year. Lost in sectional quarterfinals. The league meeting has not taken place, no honors to report at this time.

BOYS SOCCER

All 3 teams carried at least 17 student-athletes per team. The program is in very good shape as far as enrollment and culture are concerned. The team had great success in playing for teacher appreciation night and a kick cancer game. Both modified teams for boys and girls soccer struggled with their overall record because most of the teams they played were modified A, which carries 9th graders on their rosters. The team lost in the sectional quarterfinals at Penn Yan 1-0.

1st Team All-League -Jariel Ubiles, Carson Montoney

2nd Team All-League -Noah Smith

Honorable Mention -Branson Mestan, Mason Buckley

Section V Class B2 All-Tournament Team -Carson Montoney

Exceptional Senior Game -Matt Ehresman, Brody Herron, Devin Smith, Noah Smith

GIRLS SOCCER

The program carried 14 at Varsity, 16 at JV, and 18 at Modified. The program should be all set for 3 teams next year for the 2nd straight year. The girls lost in a Sectional Semi-Final game to Hornell 3-2. The team finished 2nd to the NYSPHSAA #1 ranked Class B team Pal-Mac in the regular season as well as the league tournament. This team played 7/16 games against state-ranked opponents, a very impressive feat.

1st Team All-League -Ella Wirth, Peyton Verkey

2nd Team All-League -Kelly Kohberger, Grace Lando, Lauren McDermott

Honorable Mention -Maddy Verkey, Kamryn Zellers

Section V Class B2 All-Tournament Team -Kelly Kohberger, Ella Wirth

Exceptional Senior Game -Kelly Kohberger, Grace Lando, Ella Wirth

TENNIS

The program will be losing 4 seniors but will have 6 returning Varsity players. The modified team carried 10 girls. The girls lost in the B1 sectionals in the semi-final round vs. eventual champion Geneva. They had a very strong season led by strong senior players and dual sport athletes.

Section V Class B1 Doubles Sectional Results -Jacobs/Lajewski-5th Place; Redding/Marriott-3rd Place

State Qualifiers -Redding/Marriott lost to Brighton in Round 1

VOLLEYBALL

The program carried 12-16 kids at each level and the numbers are very strong. The team competed in many matches and did pretty well considering they lost every starter from last season and 7 seniors from 2022. A highlight that was enjoyed by the program was their success in a dig pink volleyball match that raised \$1500 in the fight against cancer. The girls lost in the Sectional quarterfinals at Wellsville.

1st Team All-League -Lilly Nicholson

2nd Team All-League -Kylee Kolbash

Honorable Mention -Kierstyn Hager

Exceptional Senior Game -Kierstyn Hager Norah Linehan

Jodie Verkey

Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Jodie Verkey provided her reported by voice over.

Curriculum & Instruction

- Literacy
- Development of scope & sequence of Foundational Standards created K-8 & ready for implementation
- Unpacked Literacy, Informational, Speaking & Listening Standards K-8
- Purpose:
 - To increase deep understanding of NYS Standards

- To increase vertical alignment of K-8 standards
- To align instructional resources to fit the needs of all students through differentiation and flexibility
- Literacy Team will meet throughout this year to monitor guided reading implementation (grades 4 & 5) and consistency K-5; plan for future work
- Professional development on guided reading provided by our K-5 Reading Teachers Standards-based curriculum mapping & report card alignment Assessment
 - iReady- Diagnostic preparation & assessment K-8 (Reading & Math)
 - Social/Emotional Learning student surveys through Panorama K-8

Professional Development

- Summer Work- Standards-based curriculum mapping K-12 & development/adjustments to standards-based report cards, writing portfolios, Seal of Civic Readiness development grades 7-12, iReady, Parent Square
- Superintendent's Conference Days
- Theme- We are Kind. We are Committed. We are One.
- DASA training

School Safety Training- SRO Poole

- All K-5 teachers, MS Reading & Special Ed. received Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment training (9/1)
 - Post training survey revealed that 85% of staff feel very confident administering assessment. We are providing building level follow up training to address building specific questions.
- Team meetings
- Faculty meetings

After School PD Sessions- Leading & Learning Sessions

- 15 teacher sessions planned & 3 sessions series planned with Technology Integrator
 - Active Reading Strategies, Esti-Mysteries & Clipboards, Demonstrating Learning in Multiple Ways, iReady for new teachers, Article-Based Literacy Discussions (Part 1 & 2), Functions of Behavior, Mindfulness Strategies, Close Reading Strategies, Mental Math Skill Development, iReady- Next Level, Communication & Language in the Classroom, Connecting with Students to Build Self-Reflection and Engagement, Zones of Proximal Development, Meditation in the Classroom, Blended Learning Series, Leveraging Technology for Student Assessment, Canva D. Better Lessons (Virtual, instructional one on one coaching)
- 5 teachers

Smart Start Grant

- 1 teacher
- U of R training on Computer Science & Digital Fluency Standards
- Teen Mental Health First Aid
- Training for grade 10 students in Health class
- Provided by, L. Anderson, L. Willson; school counselors
- Promote peer support, empathy, and student leadership
- G. Learning Walks (3 times this year)
- Learning Groups

MTSS

- Jamie Oberdorf supported teams this summer
- K-5- Interventions and process enhancements
- 9-12 – Establishing BLUE language & expectations
- 6-8- Re-establishing common language & expectations; use of Panorama to track data

Mentor Program

- 16 mentees
- 3 Mynderse Academy; 4 Middle School; 5 Cady Stanton, 4 Frank Knight ❖ Instruction, communication, assimilation, support, community
- School Psychologists- designed targeted mentor program specifically to support their needs

District Curriculum Council

- Instructional Technology Integration support
- MTSS- Updates & Impacts
- Development of department/team goals

Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

The Seneca Falls Board of Education welcomes public comment. Speakers may comment on matters related to agenda items specifically or district matters generally. No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than three (3) minutes. All speakers and observers are to conduct themselves in a civil manner. Obscene language, defamatory statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial, religious, or other forms of prejudice will not be tolerated. In the unlikely event the meeting becomes unruly, the board will recess the meeting and return once order has been restored.

Persons addressing the Board of Education during public comment should not expect to engage in discussion with the Board. The Board will not permit any comments involving specific individual personnel or students.

Questions and comments from the public concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be referred to the Superintendent. Persons wishing to have matters included on the agenda shall contact the Superintendent in accordance with Policy 2342, Agenda Preparation.

Committee Reports
Policy Committee

Cara Lajewski reported that the committee had met on Monday, October 24, 2022. Policy 2325 Videoconferencing of Board of Education Meetings decided not to move forward with the policy as written. The committee basically approved the prior policy with a few “tweaks”. The committee decided not to move forward with the update as written due to the massive amounts of work it would cause. If any of the Board members have any questions, they may contact Cara Lajewski, Denise Lorenzetti or Michael Mirras.

Facilities Committee

Michael Mirras reported that the committee had met prior to the Board meeting. The committee looked at financials (cost comparisons) and reviewed the RFPs.

Health Insurance Committee

The committee held their first meeting of the year on Nov. 1, 2022. The District currently has 206 participants in health plan coverage, 60% of which is the high deductible plan. There may be a 14% projected increase in cost for health insurance for the 2023-2024 school year.

Information

Michelle Dyson-LOA Dispatcher

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported on the following.
The budget work sessions will start at the December 15, 2022 meeting. Budget work sessions will be at the end of the agenda after new business.
Regarding the Health Care Bonus, the business office submitted paperwork on Friday for vesting periods 1 and 2.
There will be a Medicare meeting on Friday, Nov. 4th for the district retirees. Open enrollment is now for them as their year starts January 1.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed informed the district that there is a training for Super Evaluation. The training is approximately 60 minutes long and would be a good tool for new board members as well as a good refresher for current members.
Dr. Reed also informed the Board that this year’s NYSSBA Conference was the best by far. Dr. Reed was impressed by the quality information shared this year and will share it with committees.

BOE President Report

Board members were reminded that the Four County School board Associations general membership meeting was on Nov. 29, 2022 if anyone was interested in attending.

BOE Member Comments

Cara Lajewski thanked everyone for their candy donations for the Elizabeth Cady Stanton Pumpkin Walk. There were many families that showed up; it was a good night.

Michael Mirras reminded Board members that the fall play, “Peter and the Star Catcher”, was happening on Nov. 11-13, 2022. The students have been working hard on it.

Denise Lorenzetti also informed the Board that the NYSSBA Conference was a wealth of information, especially the session on teen depression. The University of Rochester was a participant-their session was excellent. U of R are great advocates for students.

Anthony Ferrara read Deborah Corsner’s comments she asked to share with the Board.
“I really enjoyed attending the NYSSBA conference- thank you for the opportunity to attend. Highlights were sessions on DEI, human identity, and effective school board meetings. Marlee Matlin was amazing and we were also able to meet Billy Green teacher of the year, and see a musical about school boards that starred Matt Green who is a 1993 Mynderse alum. Overall it was a great experience and I encourage any board members who can attend in the future to do so.”

Anthony Ferrara stated that the Super Evaluation could probable be navigated but would like to participate in training for it. He believes that the three new board members should participate in the training offered.

Important Dates to Remember

Nov. 11-13, 2022-Mynderse Academy Fall Play
Nov. 17, 2022-BOE Meeting/Work-Session-Mental Health
Nov. 23-25, 2022-Thanksgiving Break

Consent Agenda
Retirements/Resignations
SFEA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby accept the following coaching resignation(s)

Sport	Coach
Wrestling –Paid Assistant	Andrew Giannino

SFSSA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby accept the following resignation(s):

Name: Michelle Dyson
Civil Service Position: School Bus Driver
Effective date: 11/03/2022 at the end of the day.

Appointments
Professional Appointments
None at this time

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.

Sport	Coach	Stipend
JV Boys Basketball Head Coach	Charlie Foster	\$3,402.24

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: Michelle Dyson
Civil Service Position: Transportation supervisor *(Provisional appointment pending Civil Service Exam)*
Effective: 11/04/2022
Probation: 11/04/2022 through 11/03/2023
Hours/day: 8
Salary: \$55,000

Name: Sonia Rivera
Civil Service Position: Cleaner (part-time)
Effective: 11/07/2022
Probation: 11/07/2022 through 11/06/2023
Hours/day: 4.0
Hourly Rate of Pay: \$14.54

Substitute Appointments

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

Name: Lindsay Stelljes
Civil Service Position: LTS Substitute Teacher Level II
NYS Certification: Uncertified
Effective: TBD

Increase in Bus Driver Hours

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education hereby approve the following increase in hours.

Employee	Current Hours	New Hours
Molly Norsen	M-F 6.25 hours/day	M, T, W Th.-7.0 Hours/day and F -6.25 hours/day

Probationary to Permanent

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education hereby approve the following probationary to permanent appointments.

Employee	Position	Permanent Effective Date
Kevin Cappello	Cleaner	11/08/2022
Karen Pollino	Senior Typist	11/09/2022

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes:
10/06/2022, 10/11/2022, 10/13/2022, 10/14/2022, 10/17/2022

Gifts and Donations
None at this time

Transportation Requests
None at this time

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business
None at this time

New Business
Policy
1st Reading

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to that upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Education approves the second and final reading of the following policies:

- Policy 2235- NEW Videoconferencing of Board Meetings
- Policy 2250-Board Committees
- Policy 2310-Regular Meetings
- Policy 2340-Notice of Meetings
- Policy 2360-Minutes

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

1st Reading and Final Reading

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to that upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Education approves the second and final reading of the following policy per Policy 2410:

- Policy 5300.30 -Prohibited Student Conduct
- Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Cayuga Community College Memorandum of Agreement

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Memorandum of Agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and Cayuga Community College as presented.
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Joell Murney-Karsten.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to move into Executive Session at 6:50 pm to discuss matters leading to the appointment of a corporation.
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Heather Zellers.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk

The regular meeting resumed at 7:01 pm.

Adjourn

Anthony Ferrara asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Anthony Ferrara, Vice-President