

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
June 1, 2023-6:00 PM
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room

BOE Present

Deborah Corsner, Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski, Matthew Lando, Joell Murney-Karsten, Denise Lorenzetti, Joseph McNamara, Michael Mirras, and Heather Zellers

BOE Members Absent

None

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni, Jodie Verkey, Karissa Blamble, Faith Lewis, Kevin Rhinehart, Kevin Korzeniewski, Amy Hibbard, Lori Smith and family, Darlene Johnson, Julet Dinan, Donna and Mark Matthews, Kelly Kohberger and family, Gabriella Wirth, Rory and Barbara Kelley, Jack and Nancy Rowles, Gary French and Steve Gleason.

Joseph McNamara 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

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the agenda as listed.
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend
Board of Education Minutes
April 26, 2023

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated April 26, 2023.
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

May 4, 2023

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated May 4, 2023.
Joell Murney-Karsten made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

May 16, 2023 Annual Meeting

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Annual Meeting Minutes dated May 16, 2023.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report-April 2023

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2023.
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Extra Curricular Treasurer's Report for April 2023.
Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Recognition

Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Faith Lewis recognized both Kelly Kohberger, Valedictorian and Gabriella Wirth, Salutatorian

Outgoing Board Member

Dr. Reed, and the Board of Education, recognized outgoing member, Heather Zellers
Jody Verkey, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and PF, recognized Darlene Johnson for her years of service to the district.
Karissa Blamble, Director of Special Programs recognized retiree Julet Dinan, Physical Therapist.
James Bruni, Administrator of Business & Operations, recognized Jack Rowles, Director of Facilities II,
Gary French, Building Maintenance Mechanic/Bus Driver and Rory Kelley, Senior Custodian.
Kevin Rinehart, SFMS Principal, recognized retirees Donna Matthews, Health aide and Lori Smith, Library Aide.
Retirees who could not attend were Vincenta Porretta, Elementary Education Teacher, Theresa Stevens, Senior Typist, Linda Ferrara, Teacher Aide, Valerie Churchill, Teacher Aide, and Jackie Konrad, Bus Monitor.

Administrator Reports

Athletic Director

Kevin Korzeniewski reported on the following.

Baseball

The Varsity team finished 6-12, losing in the pre-quarterfinals to Dansville.
The JV team finished 5-13.
The modified team was 3-9.

1st Team All-League

Jaydan Ryrko

3rd Team All-League

Brody Herron

2nd Team All-League

Jake Prayne

Honorable Mention

Nico Franzone, Max Santana

Track & Field

Girls

Division I Championships

Payton Russ - 8th Place in the 100m

Boys

Division 1 Championships

Jariel Ubiles 110 Hurdles 7th, 400 hurdles 3rd

Wayne-Finger Lakes
League Championships

Bella Ferrara - 5th place in the Discuss

4x 400 Relay 4th Place Drew Palmer, Riley King,
William Sample-McCann, Jariel Ubiles

Softball

Softball lost a very close game in the quarterfinals of sectionals to Haverling

The JV team lost one game.

The Modified team was undefeated.

1st Team All-League

Lauren McDermott

2nd Team All-League

Kirsten Lajewski, Faith Rhinehart

Honorable Mention

Kyah Lajewski, Stephanie Mirras, Julia Trickler

Boy's Tennis

The tennis team lost in the quarterfinal round to Wayne High School after beating Batavia in the pre-quarterfinal round. The team finished 7-8 overall. The modified team finished the year with 7 players, most of them playing for the first time. All-league awards are not available at this time.

Boy's Lacrosse

The boy's lacrosse team finished 10-7.

The Modified A team finished 4-8 this year.

1st Team All-League

Griffin Hilimire

2nd Team All-League

Isaac Pundt, Dylan Tandle

3rd Team All-League

Logan Pettingill, Lucas Stevers

Honorable Mention

Gerhig Dalton, Matt Mahoney, Karter Ticconi

Girl's Lacrosse

The girl's lacrosse finished the season with a record of 10-7.

The Modified A team did well finishing with a record of 5-7.

1st Team All-League-Kelly Kohberger-Also received 1st team Academic All-American.

2nd Team All-League

Haley Mosch, Chelsea Korzeniewski

Section V Class B2 All-Tournament Team

Kelly Kohberger

3rd Team All-League

Myah Herron, Amilia Reese

Honorable Mention

Jackie Sinicropi, Sierra Swanson, Jillian Tandle

Public Comment

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. Public comments will be limited to thirty (30) 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.

Steve Gleason was present to speak to the Board of Education regarding school tax payments.

Amend Agenda

Michael Mirras made a motion to amend the agenda to move the Tenure Appointments to this section of the agenda.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Tenure Appointments

Morgan D'Eredita-Elementary Education

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Morgan D'Eredita, Seneca Falls, NY, Professional Certificate in Childhood Education 1-6, permitting her to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in Elementary Education effective July 1, 2023.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Bethany Boyes-Special Education

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Bethany Boyes, Seneca Falls, NY, Professional Certificate in Students with Disabilities, permitting her to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in Special Education, effective July 1, 2023. Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Nathan Rarick-Physical Education

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed., Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Nathan Rarick, Seneca Falls, NY, Professional Certificate in Physical Education, permitting him to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in Physical Education effective July 1, 2023. Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Katie Cedeno-Foreign Language

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed., Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Katelynn Cedeno, Seneca Falls, NY, Professional Certificate in Spanish Education 7-12, permitting her to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in Foreign Language Education effective July 1, 2023. Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Ryan Major-Elementary Education

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Ryan Major, Auburn, NY, Professional Certificate in Childhood Education 1-6, permitting him to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in Elementary Education effective August 29, 2023. Heather Zellers made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Stacey Bogart-School Social Worker

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed., Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Stacey Bogart, Seneca Falls, NY, Professional Certificate in School Social Work, permitting her to teach in the public schools of New York State, to tenure in School Social Work effective September 23, 2023. Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session
Student Matter (FERPA)

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:09 pm to discuss a matter under FERPA (the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act). Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The regular meeting resumed at 7:23 pm

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that whereas the Board of Education heard Appeal 20236230004A in Executive Session on June 1, 2023, now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby affirms the Superintendent’s decision in the matter of Appeal 20236230004A.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
Deborah Corsner	X			
Cara Lajewski	X			
Matthew Lando	X			
Joseph McNamara	X			
Anthony Ferrara	X			
Joell Murney-Karsten	X			
Michael Mirras	X			
Heather Zellers	X			
Denise Lorenzetti	X			
Yes	9	No 0	Abstain 0	Motion carried

Committee Reports
Scholarship Committee

Joell Murney-Karsten reported that the committee had met with Faith Lewis, MA Principal and the School Counselors, Jessica Taylor and Kimberly Stevers. The committee will be recommending the 2023 scholarship recipients later in the meeting.

Information
Warrants

04/01/2023 – 04/30/2023

Warrant #81 (A)	\$ 606,524.81
Warrant #82 (A)	\$ 20,734.53
Warrant #85 (A)	\$ 15,696.10
Warrant #86 (A)	\$ 380,326.11
Warrant #33 (C)	\$ 13,991.98
Warrant #34 (C)	\$ 10,225.68
Warrant #35 (C)	\$ 19,932.64
Warrant #29 (F)	\$ 182.70
Warrant #30 (F)	\$ 2,698.28
Warrant #31 (F)	\$ 7,106.72

Business Administrator Report
None at this time

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reported on the following:

The UPK site inspection by NYSED took place. (Frank Knight School and Head Start). The district received good feedback. Dr. Reed should receive the full evaluation which will inform her whether the district is fully compliant, limited compliant or non-compliant.
Junior Prom and Senior Ball were a success. Dr. Reed thanked Kimberly Stevers, Deena Swenson and Amanda Ashley as well as Christina Crawford and Heather Schantz for all their work.

Consent Agenda
Resignation/Retirement
SFEA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following resignations.

Name: Peter Perine
Position: Elementary Education Teacher (6th Gr. Science)
Effective date: at the end of the day 06/30/2023

Name: Darlene Johnson
Position: TOSA (Teacher on Special Assignment)
Effective date: at the end of the day 06/30/2023

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: Jackie Konrad
Civil Service Position: Bus Monitor
Effective date: at the end of the day on 06/22/2023

Resignation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following resignation.

Name: Mykaela Turner
Civil Service Position: Bus Monitor
Teacher aide
Effective date: at the end of the day on 06/05/2023

Appointments
Professional Appointments

The Board of Education approves the following professional appointments as listed:

Name: Bailey Crook
Position: Physical Therapist (Licensed)
Effective Date: 07/01/2023
Probation: 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2024
Base Salary: \$54,596.00 + contractual benefits

Name: Peter Perine
Position: Teaching Assistant
NYS Certification: Pre. Kindergarten, Kindergarten, Gr. 1-6-Permanent Certification
Tenure: Teaching Assistant
Effective Date: 07/01/2023
Probation: 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2027
Base Salary: \$30,917.00 + contractual benefits

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: Marnie Impastato

Civil Service Position: Computer Network Specialist (Provisional to Probationary)
Effective Date: 05/24/2023
Probationary Period: 05/24/2023 through 08/16/2023

Name: Nicole Luckinbill
Civil Service Position: Health Aide
Effective Date: 07/01/2023
Probationary Period: 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2024
Hours: 7 hrs. /day (10 month)
Hourly Rate: \$21.00

Name: Samantha Jesmer
Civil Service Position: School Bus Monitor
Effective Date: 06/02/2023
Probationary Period: 06/02/2023 through 06/01/2024
Hours: 4 hrs. /day (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: Megan Bentley
Position: Music Teacher (Level III LTS)
NYS Certification: Uncertified
Effective: 08/30/2033 through 12/21/2023
Daily Rate: \$218

Name: Linda McKeveny
NYSED Certification: Spanish (Permanent Certification)
Position: Substitute Teacher
Effective: 05/30/2023

Increase in Hours

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following increase in hours as listed:

Name: Jada Buck
Civil Service Position: School Bus Monitor
Increase in hours: 3.5 to 4.0
Effective: 06/02/2023

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE minutes:
03/01/2023, 04/03/2023, 04/17/2023, 04/18/2023, 04/20/2023, 04/21/2023, 04/24/2023, 04/25/2023, 04/26/2023, 04/27/2023 (1), 04/27/2023 (2), 04/28/2023, 05/01/2023, 05/01/2023 (2), 05/02/2023, 05/03/202, 05/04/2023, 05/05/2023, 05/05/2023 (2), 05/08/2023, 05/09/2023, 05/10/2023, 05/11/2023, 05/12/2023

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:
Ohioypyle Prints	\$2.84	A2020-450-04-0000	Supplies Gr. 9-12
Kredo, Inc.	\$1,294.30	A2020-450-02-0000	Supplies Gr. K-2

Probationary to Permanent
None at this time

Transportation Request
None at this time

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Joell Murney-Karsten.
Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business
Corrections
November 3, 2022 Appointment

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to correct the following November 3, 2022 appointment:

- a. 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~~ Remove probation

Hours/day: 8

Salary: \$55,000

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

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

December 15, 2022 Appointment

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to correct the following December 15, 2022 appointment:

a. Name: Aimee Bennett

Civil Service Position: *Dispatcher (Provisional Appointment)*

Effective: 12/16/2022

~~Probationary 12/16/2022 through 12/15/2023~~ Remove probation

Hours/day: 8.0

Hourly rate: \$19.31

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

Policy-2nd Reading

Joseph McNamara 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 0115-Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention

Policy 4321.5-Confidentiality and Access to IEPs, Individualized Education Services Programs and Service Plans

Policy 4765-Online Courses and Independent Study

Policy 5151-Homeless Children

Policy 5710-School Safety and Educational Climate Reporting

Policy 8130-School Safety Plans and Teams

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2023-2024 Seneca Falls CSD

Professional Learning Plan

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2023-2024 Seneca Falls Central School District Professional Learning Plan as presented.

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

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Grant

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the agreement between the Seneca Falls Central School District and the Seneca County Public Health Department regarding the Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Grant for the 2023-2024 school year.

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Seneca County

Consortium Community Schools Coordinator Contract

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Seneca County Consortium Community Schools Coordinator Contract for services provided from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Health & Welfare Contract with Geneva City School District

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Health & Welfare Contract with Geneva City School District for services provided from September 8, 2022 through June 25, 2023.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Reclassify Civil Service Positions

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to the recommendation of the Administrator of Business & Operations, the Board of Education approves the reclassification of four (4) Food Service Helper positions to four (4) Cashier/Food Service Helper positions.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Establishment of Awards

Joleene Kristen Uticone Memorial Arts Award

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the creation of the Annual Joleene Kristen Uticone Memorial Arts Award for a graduating senior according to the following criteria as listed:

- Award: \$250.00
- Donor: Julie Uticone
- Awarded to a graduating senior girl of Mynderse Academy who was in good academic standing and maintained exemplary citizenship. The female recipient should be one with high moral character having demonstrated kindness and compassion and one that excelled in music, drama or art.
- Faculty and Staff will decide on the recipient from a list of seniors who participate in Drama, Music or art classes.

- Award to be given out at high school graduation
- NO attendance or tardy requirement for the award

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Joleene Kristen Uticone Memorial Track and Field Award

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the creation of the Annual Joleene Kristen Uticone Memorial Track and Field Award for a graduating senior according to the following criteria as listed:

- Award: \$250.00
- Donor: Julie Uticone
- Awarded to a graduating senior girl of Mynderse Academy who was in good academic standing and maintained exemplary citizenship. The female recipient should be one with high moral character and sportswomanship having demonstrated participation in track and field. Students need not be of championship ability but contributed to the sport with effort and enthusiasm.
- Current Track and field participants will be asked to nominate and then select a recipient will determine the award recipient.
- Recipient will be chosen from a list of female students who have participated in 4 years of track and Field.
- Award to be given out at high school graduation
- NO attendance or tardy requirement for the award
- Initiated June 2023

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Joell Murney-Karsten.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Seneca Falls Workforce/Trade Award

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the creation of five (5) one-time Seneca Falls Workforce/Trade Awards for the Class of 2023 according to the following criteria as listed:

- Award: five (5) awards/\$200.00 each
- Donor: Anonymous
- Awarded to five (5) worthy students graduating from a BOCES program that will be entering the workforce or pursuing further education in a trade career
- Recipients will be chosen by the Mynderse Academy School Counselors
- Awards to be given out at high school graduation
- NO attendance or tardy requirement for the award
- One-time awards for June 2023

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

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Confidential List of Scholarship Recipients

Joseph McNamara 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 2023. Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session
Negotiations-Superintendent

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:38 pm to discuss negotiations regarding the Superintendent.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk

The regular meeting resumed at 7:55 pm

Adjourn

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm.

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Joseph McNamara, Board President