

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
October 25, 2023-5:30 PM
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room

BOE Present

Deborah Corsner, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Joseph McNamara, Michael Mirras

BOE Absent

Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski and Erica Sinicropi

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni, Janet Clendenen and Roger Mahoney

Joseph McNamara 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

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addendums as listed.

Under X. Consent Agenda

Increase James Marley's hours as Head Bus Driver Liaison 1

Remove Molly Burnham as Head Bus Driver Liaison 2

2. Civil Service Appointments

b. Name: Jim Marley

Position: Head Bus Driver Liaison 1

Effective: 10/26/2023 through 06/30/2024

Hours/day: ~~4.5~~ 3.0

Hourly Rate of Pay: \$22.50

c. Name: ~~Molly Burnham~~

Position: ~~Head Bus Driver Liaison 2~~

Effective: ~~10/26/2023 through 06/30/2024~~

Hours/day: ~~1.5~~

Hourly Rate of Pay: ~~\$22.50~~

Add:

c. Name: Cody Hart

Position: Cleaner (12 mo.)

Effective: 10/30/2023 through 10/29/2024

Hours/day: 8.0

Hourly Rate of Pay: \$15.25

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board of Education Minutes

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education minutes dated October 12, 2023

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

None at this time.

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

September 2023

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for September 2023.

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

Board of Education Recognition

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.

Committee Reports

Denise Lorenzetti reported that the committee met on Monday, Oct. 23. Faith Lewis, MA Principal attended the meeting to discuss the compulsory attendance age. NYS law states that a student may drop out at the end of the school year in which they turn 16 years old. The District's current policy states that student must wait until the end of the school year in which they turn 17 yrs. Old. Mrs. Lewis informed the committee that they try everything to keep students in school. CPS cannot help because the law states 16 years old. Most of the students who leave school end up entering the workforce. Students who leave cannot get a GED until they have not been enrolled for 12 months. The committee's suggestion is to follow state law. There will be six policies at the Nov. 9th meeting to update.

Information

09/01/2023 – 09/30/2023

Warrant #23 (A)	\$	28,623.91
Warrant #10 (C)	\$	11,912.43
Warrant #11 (F)	\$	51,250.00

10/01/2023 – 10/31/2023

Warrant #26 (A)	\$1,506,324.89
Warrant #11 (C)	\$ 35,035.57
Warrant #12 (F)	\$ 26,550.00

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported that the Capital Building and Capital Bus Reserve budgets would be reviewed at the budget workshop on Nov. 9th and the NYSTRS and NYSERS budgets would be reviewed at the budget workshop on Nov. 30th.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reported that the following district teams would be participating in sectionals. The Boys Varsity Soccer team will play on Saturday (Oct. 28)-time TBD. The Girls Varsity Soccer Team will play Friday, Oct. 27 in Penn Yan. The Girls Varsity Volleyball team compete Thursday, Oct. 26 here in the district.

BOE President Report

Joseph McNamara reported that there was a Four County SBA survey regarding advocacy. Any feedback from the Board members would be appreciated on how they go forward on advocacy.

BOE Member Comments

Denise Lorenzetti reported that the NYSSBA delegate voting took place on Friday, Oct. 20th and stated that it was an eight-hour zoom meeting. There were technology issues. She stated that there needs to be a better way to vote. The last 20 of the resolutions did not get the time that the first 35 did. Michael Mirras reported that the “Dig Pink” volleyball event raised \$1,795 so far. The goal is to raise \$2,000. T-shirts are still available to purchase.

Important Dates to Remember

Oct. 26-28, 2023- Annual NYSSBA Convention, Buffalo
Oct. 31, 2023-FK-Halloween Parade and Sing Along 1:45 pm
ECS-Blue Bash and Student Parade-9:30 am
Nov. 9, 2023-Veteran's Assembly-Frank Knight -9:45 am
Nov. 10, 2023 - No School-Veteran's Day
Nov. 11, 2023-4 County SBA Legislative Committee Mtg.
Nov. 22-24, 2023 – No School-Thanksgiving Recess
Nov. 27, 2023-4 County SBA Professional Development Mtg.

Consent Agenda

SFEA

None at this time

SFSSA

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

Name: Brandon Naylor
Civil Service Position: Cleaner (12 month)
Effective: 10/19/2023

Appointments

Professional Appointments

None at this time

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: Jacob Kuhlman
Civil Service Position: Cleaner (12 month)
Effective: 10/19/2023
Probationary Period: 10/19/2023-10/18/2024

Hours/day: 8.0
Hourly Rate: \$15.25

Name: Jim Marley
Position: Head Bus Driver Liaison 1
Effective: 10/26/2023 through 06/30/2024
Hours/day: 4.5 **3.0**
Hourly Rate of Pay: \$22.50

Name: Cody Hart
Position: Cleaner (12 mo.)
Effective: 10/30/2023 through 10/29/2024
Hours/day: 8.0
Hourly Rate of Pay: \$15.25

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: Jaden Adams
Position: Substitute Teacher
Substitute Teaching Assistant
NYSED Certification: Uncertified
Effective: 10/26/2023

Name: Jaden Adams
Position: Substitute Teacher Aide
Effective: 10/26/2023

Probationary to Permanent
None at this time

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE minutes:
09/27/2023, 09/28/2023, 10/02/2023, 10/04/2023, 10/09/2023, 10/16/2023

Gifts and Donations
None at this time
Transportation Requests
None at this time

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business
Correction

Daniel Bobbett-Effective Date
Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to correct the following effective date that was approved at the October 12, 2023 board meeting as presented.

- B. Appointments
1. Professional Appointments
a. Name: Daniel Bobbett
Position: School Counselor
Certification: School Counselor-Permanent Certification
Tenure: School Counselor
Effective date: ~~10/16/2023~~ **10/17/2023**
Probation: ~~10/16/2023 through 10/15/2027~~ **10/17/2023 through 10/16/2027**
Base Salary: \$52,949 (to be pro-rated for the remainder of 2023-2024)

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business
Policy- 1st Reading

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the 1st reading of the following policies:

Policy 2210-BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
Policy 2382-BROADCASTING AND RECORDING OF BOARD MEETINGS
Policy 5040- PRAYER IN SCHOOLS STUDENT RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION
Policy 5225-STUDENT PERSONAL EXPRESSION

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session
None at this time

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Adjourn