

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

**Regular BOE Meeting 7:00 p.m.
High School Library**

Public can attend the meeting in person or live stream starting at 7:00 p.m. To attend by video one can visit the Sauquoit Valley Central School District's website at www.svcsd.org and click on the link to the meeting under Live Event Streaming. All comments and requests to speak must be submitted to Board Clerk by 6:00 p.m. prior to the meeting with a name and topic included. Board Clerk's email is mgoodman@svcsd.org.

PUBLIC AGENDA

- ITEM #1 **Call Meeting to Order**
- ITEM #2 **Pledge of Allegiance**
- ITEM #3 **Presentation(s):** ESSA Grant – Charlie Cowen
- ITEM #4 **Public to Be Heard** (All Comments Limited to Five Minutes)
- ITEM #5 **Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports**
 - A. Board Operations/Relationships/Development
 - B. Facilities and Transportation
 - C. Technology
 - D. Extra-Curricular Activities
 - E. Curriculum and Instruction
 - F. School Boards Institute (SBI)
 - G. Audit/Finance Committee
 - 1 Revenue Status Report
 - 2 Appropriation Report
 - H. Policy Committee
- ITEM #6 **Superintendent's Report**
 - 1. Logo
 - 2. Procedure on public to be heard

ITEM #7 **Old Business**

1. Capital Project (include track)

ITEM #8 **New Business**

8.1 Appointment of Teacher

Recommended Motion: to appoint Amanda Hartnett, to the position of science teacher in the secondary science tenure area, for probationary period of three (3) years to commence September 1, 2023, and to expire September 1, 2026 (This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012 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).

8.2 Appointment of Lead Teacher

Recommended Motion: to appoint Marisa Cardillo as a lead teacher to Amanda Hartnett for the 2023-2024 academic year.

8.3 Appointment of Long-term Teacher

Recommended Motion: to approve Scott Smith as a long-term physical education teacher in the elementary school, effective September 1, 2023.

8.4 Appointment of a Long-term Substitute Teacher

Recommended Motion: to appoint Kristen Willson as a long-term art teacher (part-time) in the middle school, effective September 5, 2023. Her salary will be \$26,850 (Step 8).

8.5 Appointment of Data Processor, I

Recommended Motion: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, pursuant to all applicable Civil Service rules and regulations, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby provisionally appoint Elizabeth Johnson to the position of Data Processor, 1, effective September 5, 2023 for a probationary period of 26 weeks to commence on September 5, 2023 and to expire on March 8, 2024, pending results of Civil Service exam.

8.6 Appointment of School Nurse

Recommended Motion: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, pursuant to Oneida County Civil Service Rule XIV, Probationary Term, upon the commendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Tatum Zumpano as a school nurse effective September 5, 2023 for a probationary period of 26 weeks to commence on September 5, 2023 and to expire on March 8, 2024.

8.7 Leave of Absence

Recommended Motion: to approve 12 weeks of unpaid time off under the Family Medical Leave Act for Alyssa Orsino to commence on or about September 5, 2023 to be continuous until November 22, 2023.

8.8 Appointment of Long-Term Substitute Teacher

Recommended Motion: to appoint Andrew Pezzulo as a long-term substitute teacher in middle school, 5th Grade, ELA teacher effective September 5, 2023 until November 22, 2023 or until such time classroom teacher returns from leave.

8.9 Appointment of Choreographer

Recommended Motion: to approve Marissa Berry as drama club choreographer for the 2023-24 school year.

8.10 Appointment of Substitute Teacher

Recommended Motion: to appoint Derek Studer as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 5, 2023, pending fingerprint clearance.

8.11 Request to Create – Director of Facilities II Position

Recommended Motion: to create a title position of Director of Facilities II under the Civil Service for the Sauquoit Valley Central School District.

8.12 Resignation

Recommended Motion: to approve the resignation of Amber Gould as a bus driver, effective July 20, 2023.

8.13 Accept MOU with Louisiana State University and Sauquoit Valley School

Recommended Motion: to approve the Memorandum Of Understanding between Louisiana State University and Sauquoit Valley Central School District effective September 1, 2023 to June 25, 2024.

8.14 Resignation

Recommended Motion: to approve the resignation of Daniel George as JV soccer coach.

8.15 Additional Athletic Appointments for Fall 2023-24

Recommended Motion: that the following people be appointed to fall athletic coaching positions for the 2023-24 school year contingent upon student athlete participation in each sport and pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.

SPORT	LEVEL	BOYS OR GIRLS	COACH NAME
Field hockey	Varsity	Girls	Emily LaSalle
Field hockey	Modified	Girls	Isabella Arrigo
Soccer	Varsity	Girls	Daniel George
Soccer	Varsity - Volunteer	Girls	Gabriella Hobika

8.16 Extra-classroom Activity Report (April-June)

Recommended Motion: that the quarterly extra-classroom activity report be approved as presented.

8.17 Budget Transfer

Recommended Motion: BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve Budget Transfers for the 2022-23 fiscal year as presented.

8.18 Confirm Tax Rolls and Authorize Tax Levy

Recommended Motion: to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM TAX ROLLS AND AUTHORIZE TAX LEVY

WHEREAS the Board of Education has been authorized by the voters of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District to raise for the 2023-2024 school year a sum not to exceed \$24,938,398.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the board fix the equalized tax rates by towns and confirm the extension of the taxes as they appear on the following described tax roll:

TOWN	ASSESSED VALUE (levy purposes)	CLERGY EXEMPTION	ASSESSED Value (apportionment)	EQUALIZ RATE	TRUE VALUE (apportionment)	PROPORTION OF TRUE VALUE (apportionment)	PROPORTION USED	Assessed Value for Tax Rate Calculation	Tax Rate per thousand
Paris	239,041,229	1,500	239,042,729	0.6350	376,445,242.52	66.911546%	5,760,137.28	239,041,229.00	24.096836
New Hartford	51,609,278		51,609,278	0.5700	90,542,592.98	16.093562%	1,385,427.96	51,609,278.00	26.844552
Frankfort	31,994,532		31,994,532	0.5100	62,734,376.47	11.150769%	959,923.46	31,994,532.00	30.002735
Litchfield	15,511,512		15,511,512	0.6200	25,018,567.74	4.446944%	382,818.98	15,511,512.00	24.679669
Marshall	2,976,589		2,976,589	0.4200	7,087,116.67	1.259705%	108,442.77	2,976,589.00	36.431892
Kirkland	280,687		280,687	0.4300	652,760.47	0.116025%	9,988.15	280,687.00	35.584639
Bridgewater	85,071		85,071	0.7050	120,668.09	0.021448%	1,846.39	85,071.00	21.704106
	341,498,898		341,500,398		562,601,324.93	1.00000000	\$8,608,585.00	341,498,898	

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT the tax warrant of this board, duly signed shall be affixed to the above-described tax rolls authorizing the collection of said taxes to begin September 1, 2023 and end October 31, 2023 giving the tax warrant an effective period of 61 days at the expiration of which time the tax collector shall make an accounting in writing to the board;

AND IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED THAT the delinquent tax penalties shall be fixed as follows:

- 1st month free period,
- 2nd month interest of 2 percent added.

8.19 Execute Tax Warrant

Recommended Motion: BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS; to the collector of Sauquoit Valley Central School District, Oneida County, State of New York.

You are hereby commanded:

To give notice and start collection on September 1, 2023 in accordance with the provisions of Section 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.

To give notice that tax collection will end on October 31, 2023.

To collect taxes in the total sum of \$8,608,585 (inclusive of STAR funds) in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with the provisions of Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law.

To make no changes or alterations in the tax warrant or the tax rolls but shall return the same to the board of education. The board may recall its warrant and tax roll for correction of errors or omissions in accordance with the provisions of Section 1316 of the Real Property Tax Law.

To forward by mail to each owner of real property listed on the tax rolls within ten days after the start of collection a statement of taxes due on his/her property on tax bills provided by the school district in accordance with provisions of Section 922 of Real Property Tax Law. To forward by mail, without interest penalties, to the office of the county treasurer a detailed tax bill of all state land parcels liable for taxes on the school tax rolls in accordance with provisions of Sections 540 and 544 of the real Property Tax Law.

To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons the sum listed on the tax rolls without interest penalties when such sums are paid before the end of the first month of the tax collection period. To add two percent interest penalties to all taxes collected during the second month of the tax collection and to account for such sums as income due to the school district.

To issue receipts provided by the school district in acknowledgement of receipt of payments of taxes and to retain, preserve and file such receipts as required by Section 987 of the Real Property Tax Law.

To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and if any taxes shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting thereof on forms showing by town the total assessed valuation, tax rate, the total tax levy, the total amounts remaining uncollected as required by Section 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.

The warrant is issued pursuant to Sections 910, 912 and 914 of the Real Property Tax Law and is delivered in accordance with Sections 1306 and 1318 of this law. It is effective immediately after it is properly signed by a majority of the board of education. The warrant shall expire on the date stated above unless a renewal or extension has been endorsed on the face of this warrant in writing in accordance with Section 1318, subdivision 2 of the Real Property Tax Law.

8.20 Treasurer's Reports of Balances (June 30, 2023)

Recommended Motion: that the Treasurer's Reports of Balances for June 30, 2023 be approved as presented.

8.21 Approval of Minutes of the July 11, 2023 Meeting

Recommended Motion: that the minutes of the July 11, 2023 meeting be approved.

8.22 Resolution Authorizing Payment of Bills Approved by the Claims Auditor dated August 3, 2023.

Recommended Motion: that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.

8.23 Committee on Special Education Recommendations

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education upon completion of its review of the IEP in accordance with Section 200.4(d)(2) of the Regulations of the Commissioner agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for students numbered, 1401810, 1400316, 1401535, 103206, 1401846, 1401816, 1401810, 1401817, 1401655, and 1401813 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Motion to approve 8.1 – 8.23
Made by _____, seconded by _____ .
Carried: Ayes ___ , Nays ___ .

ITEM #9 RESOLUTION APPROVING ENERGY PERFORMANCE
IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT

Recommended Motion: to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Sauquoit Valley Central School District (the “District”) is a party to a contract with C&S Operations, Inc. (“C&S”) to perform services in connection with an energy performance improvement project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, after the completion of an energy audit by C&S and further review and analysis, it was determined that the Project would not qualify for the special treatment afforded energy performance projects and would not receive the required approval from the NYS Education Department; and

WHEREAS, the District and C&S have a dispute over C&S’s performance under the contract (the “Pending Dispute”); and

WHEREAS, in order to resolve the dispute and avoid potential litigation, the parties have agreed to a settlement of the dispute; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed a proposed agreement (the “Settlement Agreement”) that will allow additional costs and burdens associated with potential litigation to be avoided; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Board hereby approves the Settlement Agreement regarding the Pending Dispute and authorizes the President of the Board of Education or Superintendent of the School District to execute any necessary documents on behalf of the Board, upon the recommendation of legal counsel, to effectuate the Settlement Agreement.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Made by _____, and seconded by _____ .
Carried: Ayes _____ , Nays _____ .

ITEM #10 Miscellaneous Topics

ITEM #11 Executive Session

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education go into executive session at _____ p.m. to discuss _____ .

Motion made by _____ , seconded by _____ .

Carried: Ayes _____, Nays _____.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at ___ p.m.

ITEM #12 Adjournment

Recommended Motion: that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at ___ p.m.

Motion made by _____ , seconded by _____ .

Carried: Ayes _____, Nays _____.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS			
DAY(S)	DATE(S)	TIME(S)	EVENT
Tuesday	August 15-16	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	MS Orientation Incoming 5 th Graders
Wednesday	August 16		Freshmen Orientation
Wed - Thurs.	Aug. 16 -17		Regents Exam
Tuesday	August 22	7 p.m.	Regular Board of Education Meeting

Sauquoit Valley Central School District – Personnel Report School year 2023-2024
 Board of Education Meeting: **8/08/23**

NAME	TENURE AREA/ CIVIL SRV. TITLE	ASSIGNMENT	CERTIFICATION	SALARY/RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE	END OF PROBATIONARY APPT.
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The commencement dates of the appointments are “subject to the employees’ obtaining all necessary clearances from the State Education Dept.”

I. Appointment

Amanda Hartnett		Teacher	Science	\$61,597	Sept. 1, 2023	Sept. 1, 2026
Marisa Cardillo		Lead Teacher		\$500	Sept. 1, 2023	June 28, 2024
Scott Smith	Long-term	Sub Teacher		\$45,821	Sept. 1, 2023	
Kristen Willson	Long-term	Sub Teacher	Art	\$26,850	Sept. 1, 2023	
Elizabeth Johnson	Data Processor, I	Guidance & Attendance MS		\$17.51/hr.	Sept. 1, 2023	March 8, 2024
Tatum Zumpano		Nurse – MS		\$30/hr.	Sept. 5, 2023	March 8, 2024
Andrew Pezzulo	Long-term	Sub-Teacher	MS	\$200.38	Sept. 5, 2023	Nov. 22, 2023
Marissa Berry		Choreographer	Drama	\$1,066	Sept. 5, 2023	June 28, 2024
Derek Studer		Sub Teacher	Intern	\$100/day	Sept. 5, 2023	

II. Leave

Alyssa Orsino	FMLA	Teacher – MS			Sept. 5, 2023	Nov. 22, 2023
Amber Gould		Bus Driver			July 20, 2023	Resigned

III. Coaches

Emily LaSalle	Varsity	Field Hockey	Girls	\$4,120	Sept. 5, 2023	
Isabella Arrigo	Modified	Field Hockey	Girls	\$2,424	Sept. 5, 2023	
Daniel George	Varsity	Soccer	Girls	\$4,120	Sept. 5, 2023	
Gabriella Hobika	Varsity	Soccer	Girls	Volunteer	Sept. 5, 2023	

Teacher Key: “C” Certification Listed or “N” Uncertified

Teacher Assistant Key: “C” Certified Teacher Assistant, “CTA I” Certified Teaching Assistant Level I, “CTA II” Certified Teaching Assistant Level II, “CTA III” Certified Teaching Assistant Level III, “TAP” Pre-Professional

Coaches: “CPE” Certified Physical Education Teacher, “C” Certified Teacher, “TCL” Temporary Coaching License, “PCL” Professional Coaching License