

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2014

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Kim Overrocker

Members Present: Kim Overrocker, Anthony Nicotera, Joseph Bottini, Jim Dever, and Dawn Miller

Members Absent: Mark Evans and Lisa Frost

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools
Charles Cowen, Business Administrator

Others Present: Members of the Staff

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mrs. Overrocker.

Pledge of Allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentations - Softball Trip - Coach Fred Orsino was not present, but information was shared with the Board. Mr. Wheelock shared the proposed softball trip to Myrtle Beach itinerary with the Board. The trip would run from March 28-April 5, 2015. The team will travel by bus and stay in a house on the beach. Coach Orsino is planning on 18 players attending the trip and there would be three chaperones. The Board indicated some reservations regarding the house and overall cost of the trip. They asked for the Athletic Director to set up a meeting with Coach Orsino and a couple of Board members to discuss these reservations before taking any formal action on this request. **Baseball Trip** - Coach Frank Curriere presented his proposed baseball trip to Myrtle Beach to the Board. This trip would take place March 30-April 3, 2015 where the team will take part in three games. Each player will be attending with their parents and lodging arrangements are being made by each family independently. The team is looking to raise \$1,500 for this trip and is seeking Board approval to engage in an additional fundraiser beyond what Board policy permits.

Resolution No. 28 made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Bottini, to allow the baseball team to conduct an additional fundraiser for the purpose of this trip. Carried: Ayes 5.

Public to Be Heard - Mrs. Overrocker asked if anyone wished to address the Board and no one did so.

Students to Be Heard - Mrs. Overrocker asked if any students wished to address the Board and none did so. No students were present.

Superintendent's Report - Mr. Wheelock reminded Board members of the SBI "Meet the Candidates" on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. He also made the Board aware that he will be attending the SBI program, "Regents Perspective on Educational Reform and Future Direction", being held on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 5:45 p.m. at BOCES. He invited Board members to attend and asked that anyone wishing to attend contact him for registration.

Resolution No. 29 made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Nicotera,

- to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term “municipal corporation” for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, Sauquoit Valley Central School District (hereinafter sometimes referred to as “Participant”) is a “municipal corporation” as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement for Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the “Agreement”), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium (“NYSMEC”) upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs the **Superintendent of Schools** to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a commodity price not to exceed \$.1126 cents per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2015, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution No. 29 (Cont'd)

- to approve the following resolution:

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WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs the Superintendent of Schools to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for natural gas on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of natural gas for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a commodity price not to exceed \$1.141 cents per therm for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2015, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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- that the 2013-14 school audit be accepted as presented by the school auditors, Moore & Hart, together with the auditor's management letter and that both be forwarded to the Commissioner of Education, New York State Education Department and also to the New York State Office of the State Comptroller.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.
- that the Treasurer's Reports of Balances be approved as presented.
- that the quarterly extra-classroom activity report be approved as presented.
- to appoint Elizabeth Caruso as a per diem substitute teacher effective October 22, 2014.
- to appoint Kim Reale as a per diem substitute teacher effective October 22, 2014.
- to appoint Stephanie Mahoney as a per diem substitute teacher effective October 22, 2014.
- that the minutes of the October 7, 2014 meeting be approved.
- to approve the senior class trip to Boston (historical sites, aquarium, dinner cruise and Six Flags Amusement Park) from June 12-13 (Friday-Saturday), 2015.
- to approve the Music Department trip to New York City (tour of Manhattan/Central Park/Times Square/Radio City Music Hall/Rockefeller Center, dinner at Hard Rock Café and musical, *Aladdin*) from May 30-31 (Saturday-Sunday), 2015.
- 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 102880, 170074 and 1400590 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 5.

Resolution No. 30 made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Bottini, RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, pursuant to Oneida County Civil Service Rule 1, Paragraph 5, Part-Time Employment, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Stanley Coffin to the position of substitute laborer effective October 22, 2014.

Carried: Ayes 5.

Miscellaneous Topics - **Mr. Bottini** complimented Doug Jones, Athletic Director, on a recent meeting he conducted regarding an athletic matter and asked to have an e-mail sharing his positive regard placed in Mr. Jones' personnel file. **Mr. Wheelock** shared with the Board that National Grid was at the high school today to investigate a concern with a gas smell in our Chemistry room. National Grid was here for over two and a half hours using a gas detector device and soapy water to check gas lines and connections in and around the Chemistry room; as well as, below the Chemistry room.

Miscellaneous Topics (Cont'd) - A minor leak was detected on a line valve and will be replaced promptly. No other issues were detected at this time. This is the third visit by National Grid to this room since mid-September. We will continue to monitor this situation and remedy any potential issues that may arise.

Public to Be Heard - Mrs. Overrocker asked if anyone wished to address the Board and no one did so.

Resolution No. 31 made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mrs. Miller, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:19 p.m. to discuss negotiations. Carried: Ayes 5.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 10:10 p.m.

Resolution No. 32 made by Mr. Bottini, seconded by Mrs. Miller, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. Carried: Ayes 5.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Wheelock
Superintendent of Schools