## SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting:

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Kind of Meeting:

Regular

Presiding Officer:

**Anthony Nicotera** 

Members Present:

Anthony Nicotera, Dawn Miller, Jim Dever, Mark Evans, Lisa Frost,

Steven Shrey and Christine Weber Mangini

Members Absent:

None

Administrators Present:

Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools

Charles Cowen, Business Administrator

Mark R. Putnam, Elementary School Principal Peter R. Madden, Middle School Principal Zane W. Mahar, High School Principal

Others Present:

Members of the Staff

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Nicotera.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

<u>Public to Be Heard</u> - Mr. Nicotera asked if anyone wished to address the Board and no one did so.

<u>Students to Be Heard</u> - Mr. Nicotera asked if any students wished to address the Board and none did so. No students were present.

<u>Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports</u> - <u>Technology</u> - The Technology Committee (Jim Dever, Mark Evans, Ron Wheelock, Mark Putnam, Peter Madden and Keith Kempney) met prior to the Board meeting to discuss how the district will use \$1 million in Smart Bond monies over a five year period. The monies will be used for broadband technology, learning technology and enhancing safety and security.

<u>Superintendent's Report</u> - <u>Superintendent's Conference Day Agenda</u> - Mr. Wheelock distributed to the Board a revised agenda for the Superintendent's Conference Day being held on Friday, March 18, 2016. The day will consist of a presentation on copyright/acceptable use protocols and post assessment development. <u>Legal Issues Workshop</u> - Mr. Wheelock informed Mr. Dever that his questions were submitted for the School Boards Institute (SBI) legal issues workshop on Thursday, March 24, 2016. <u>Workshop on Freedom Writers</u> - Mr. Wheelock informed the Board of SBI's general membership meeting on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. (check in) at Oneida BOCES. Erin Gruwell, founder of the Freedom Writers Foundation, will present a workshop on freedom writers. <u>Temporary Use Agreement</u> - Mr. Wheelock notified the Board that a temporary use agreement with Oneida County for use of voting machines will be on the next Board agenda.

Resolution No. 54 made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Evans,

- that upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator and a majority vote of the Board of Education, tenure be given to the following teacher assistant subject to the successful completion of the probationary period and completion of all requirements for permanent certification. Ms. Mallory Hardy, Teaching Assistant tenure area, effective March 1, 2016. Ms. Hardy has a Teaching Assistant Level Three certificate.
- to appoint Russell Ritzel as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 9, 2016.
- to appoint Samuel Catterson as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 9, 2016.
- to appoint Donald (Eric) Bullock and Allan Lallier as volunteers assisting a coach in baseball for the 2015-16 season pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.
- to appoint Joseph Inglis as a volunteer assisting a coach in softball for the 2015-16 season pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.
- to approve the proposal dated February 19, 2016 with Ashley McGraw Architects, D.P.C. to prepare a five year capital facilities plan for the Sauquoit Valley Central School District for a lump sum fee of \$17,434.00 plus reimbursable expenses.
- to approve the agency agreement between Utica College and the Sauquoit Valley Central School District as it relates to field work and student teaching internships for a period of not more than five years beginning February 10, 2016.
- that the minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting be approved.
- 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 1400416, 103025, 1400269, 102637, 1400711, 1400210, 102553, 1400757, 103101, 1400165 and 1400420 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 7.

**Resolution No. 55** made by Mrs. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Miller, to appoint Dale Wysluzaly to the position of permanent custodian/bus driver pursuant to all applicable Civil Service rules and regulations effective March 9, 2016 for a probationary period of eight weeks to commence on March 9, 2016 and to expire on May 4, 2016. Carried: Ayes 7.

**Resolution No. 56** made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the following resolution be adopted:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, New York, held at the District Offices, Sauquoit, New York, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016:

## Resolution No. 56 (Cont'd)

PRESENT: James Dever, Mark Evans, Lisa S. Frost, Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera,

Steven J. Shrey and Christine Weber Mangini

ABSENT: None

Mrs. Miller presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by Mr. Evans:

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following notice shall be added to the notice of annual meeting and election:

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at such time:

## PROPOSITION #1

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO UNDERTAKE THE ACQUISITION OF TWO 60-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES AT AN ESTIMATED AGGREGATE MAXIMUM COST OF \$117,500 EACH AND ONE 36-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUS AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$110,000, ALL AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE COST OF \$345,000, LESS TRADE-IN VALUE, IF ANY, AND THAT SUCH COSTS, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, SHALL BE RAISED BY THE LEVY OF A TAX TO BE COLLECTED IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS; AND, IN ANTICIPATION OF SUCH TAX, DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS MAY BE NECESSARY NOT TO EXCEED SUCH ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE COST SHALL BE ISSUED, OR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ENTER INTO AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT IF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE IN THAT METHOD.

- 2. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed for authorized indebtedness providing for payment of the acquisition of school buses at an estimated aggregate maximum cost of not to exceed \$345,000. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.
- 3. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to add the above to the notice of the annual meeting of the School District.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly put to a vote as follows:

**AYES** 

<u>NAYS</u>

Carried: Ayes 7.

<u>Miscellaneous Topics</u> - **Mr. Wheelock** informed the Board that an agreement with Ashley McGraw Architects will be on the next Board agenda for approval. **Mr. Dever** spoke regarding the use of Smart Bond monies and suggested the district give careful consideration to what is needed as with increased technology comes a need to spend more money for upkeep of such in the future.

<u>Public to Be Heard</u> - Mr. Nicotera asked if anyone wished to address the Board and no one did so.

**Resolution No. 57** made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss contractual and personnel matters. Carried: Ayes 7.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 9:56 p.m.

**Resolution No. 58** made by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56p.m. Carried: Ayes 7.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Kloster, Clerk Board of Education