

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Dawn Miller

Members Present: Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera, Mark Evans, Todd Nelson and Christine Weber Mangini

Members Absent: Jim Dever and Steven Shrey

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools
Charles Cowen, Business Administrator
Mark R. Putnam, Elementary School Principal
Peter R. Madden, Middle School Principal

Others Present: Members of the Staff/Community

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mrs. Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentation - Ciboney Fowler - Ciboney Fowler, a senior at Sauquoit Valley Central School, shared with the Board how courses, electives and programs (College Connections) offered at Sauquoit Valley helped her achieve a degree through Mohawk Valley Community College before she even graduated from high school. The Board and Mr. Wheelock congratulated and commended her on her accomplishment.

Public to Be Heard - Mrs. Miller asked if anyone wished to address the Board and two people did so. **Bob Snow** and **Mary Ann Knapp** spoke in support of the boys varsity soccer coach and how the coach was always fair to and inspired their children.

Students to Be Heard - Mrs. Miller asked if any students wished to address the Board and none did so. One student was present.

Superintendent's Report - Relay for Life - Mr. Wheelock informed the Board the Sauquoit Valley Relay for Life will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Paris Town Park. **Board Member Attendance at Graduation** - Mr. Wheelock asked Board members to notify him if they plan on attending graduation. Mrs. Miller, Mr. Nicotera and Mrs. Weber Mangini will attend. A reminder regarding attendance at graduation will be sent to the Board next week.

Old Business - School Tax Exemptions - On the next Board agenda under Old Business add: School Tax Exemptions for Veterans (To Be Discussed in October).

Resolution No. 64 made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Nicotera,

- resolve to approve the retirement of David Nauss as an elementary teacher, with regret, effective December 23, 2017.
- that the minutes of the May 9, 2017 meeting be approved.
- that the Treasurer's Reports of Balances be approved as presented.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.
- 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 1400236, 1400089, 102533, 102597, 100199, 1400816, 1400238 and 103130 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for student numbered 1400762 as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 5.

Regarding the retirement of David Nauss, Mr. Wheelock said he is an outstanding teacher and appreciates his service to the district. Mrs. Miller also stated he is a great teacher and her son enjoyed having him.

Public to Be Heard - Mrs. Miller asked if anyone wished to address the Board and one person did so. **Mr. Madden** stated David Nauss is a great teacher, does wonderful things with the kids in and out of school and he will be missed.

Resolution No. 65 made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:21 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. Carried: Ayes 5.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 7:47 p.m.

Resolution No. 66 made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Evans, to adopt the following resolution:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ("District"), held on the 16th day of May, 2017, the following resolution was offered by Anthony Nicotera, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mark Evans to wit:

WHEREAS, a dispute has arisen between an employee and the District arising out of the employment of the employee by the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed a proposed settlement agreement that will resolve any and all claims the District and the former employee may have against each other; and

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WHEREAS, the proposed settlement will allow the parties to avoid the costs and burdens associated with engaging in adversarial legal proceedings against each other.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Board hereby approves the proposed settlement agreement, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to take all necessary actions and to execute any necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education upon the recommendation of legal counsel necessary to effectuate the same; and;
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

Carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstentions 0.

Resolution No. 67 made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mrs. Weber Mangini, that the results of the May 16, 2017 annual meeting be recorded as follows:

Budget	YES	NO
	185	62

• Two (2), Three (3) Year Terms	
	# OF VOTES
• Anthony Nicotera	223
• Dawn Miller	210
• Write in Candidate - David Pastorelli	1
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Bus Proposition	YES	NO
	188	59

Carried: Ayes 5.

Resolution No. 68 made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Carried: Ayes 5.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Kloster
Clerk, Board of Education