

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2017
Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Dawn Miller

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

Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools
Charles Cowen, Business Administrator
Peter Madden, Middle School Principal

Others Present: Members of the Staff

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mrs. Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Resolution No. 53 made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Evans, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:02 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Carried: Ayes 7.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 8:07 p.m.

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

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

Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports - School Boards Institute (SBI) - Mr. Wheelock reminded the Board about the School Boards Institute's annual "Distinguished Service and Student Achievement Awards" ceremony on May 11th at Twin Ponds in New York Mills. The event begins at 5:30 p.m.

Resolution No. 54 made by Mrs. Weber Mangini, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to put before the voters on May 16, 2017 the budget for the Sauquoit Valley Central School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 as presented by the Board of Education in the amount of \$21,391,812 and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in said district to be levied and collected as required by law. Carried: Ayes 7.

Resolution No. 55 made by Mrs. Weber Mangini, seconded by Mr. Nelson,

WHEREAS, Education Law Section 1608(7) requires that each year the Board of Education prepare and approve a property tax report card;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopts the following property tax report card as presented to the Board by the Business Administrator

Resolution No. 55 (Cont'd)

2017-18 Property Tax Report Card			
Sauquoit Valley Central School			
Contact Person:	Charles Cowen		
Telephone Number	(315) 839-6313		
	Budgeted 2016-17 (A)	Proposed Budget 2017-18 (B)	Percent Change (C)
Total Budgeted Amount, not including Separate Propositions	20,711,400	21,391,812	3.29%
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount ¹	7,366,320	7,510,490	
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	0	0	
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ²	0	0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable	0	0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A+B+C+D)	7,366,320	7,510,490	1.96%
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	242,664	280,674	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions ³	7,123,663	7,229,824	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E-B-F)	7,123,656	7,229,816	
I. Difference: (G-H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval) ²	7	8	
Public School Enrollment	1,042	1,045	0.29%
Consumer Price Index			1.26%

¹Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

²Tax levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the school tax levy limit and may affect voter approval requirements.

³For 2017-18, includes any carryover from 2016-17 and excludes any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

	Actual 2016-17 (D)	Estimated 2017-18 (E)
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	8,185	10,000
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	727,080	727,080
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	419,700	500,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	2.03%	2.34%

Carried: Ayes 7.

Resolution No. 56 made by Mrs. Weber Mangini, seconded by Mr. Nelson,

- to appoint Stephen Szatko as boys junior high baseball coach for the 2016-2017 school year contingent upon student athlete participation in the sport.
- to adjust the salary of Laurie Kloster to reflect a 17-year longevity step effective April 12, 2017.
- that the minutes of the March 28, 2017 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 102800, 1400485, 102589, 1400073, 102882, 103102, 1400488, 103101 and 102885 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 7.

Miscellaneous Topics - **Mr. Wheelock** asked the Board if they would consider having sport teams or individual athletes that earned a sectional or state title recognized at the Board level. The matter was discussed and determined that the athletic director would present any such team or athlete to the Board during the presentation portion of the meeting. **Mr. Nelson** asked when the Board would expect to see coaching appointments for the 2017-2018 school year. They would most likely have to recommend appointments by the June 6, 2017 meeting. **Mr. Nelson** suggested that the district provide the public with explicit information regarding the district's financial state and projected future outlook. Specifically, he commented that if we continue to struggle financially, we should inform the public that we may have to consider breaching the tax cap in order to financially sustain our programs at Sauquoit Valley where state funding falls short. **Mr. Dever** suggested the district look into forming a financial advisory committee to disseminate budget information and solicit community input.

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

Resolution No. 57 made by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Nicotera, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Carried: Ayes 7.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Wheelock
Superintendent of Schools