

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, August 21, 2018

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Dawn Miller

Members Present: Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera, Michele Brennan-Vuocolo, Ron Critelli, Jim Dever, Todd Nelson and Christine Weber Mangini (arrived 7:04 p.m.)

Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools
Kimberly Hibbard, District Treasurer

Others Present: Member of the Staff

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

Pledge of Allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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 - Facilities and Transportation - Mr. Wheelock will set up a meeting to discuss community access to the fitness center. **Policy Committee** - Mr. Wheelock distributed an updated meal charge policy to the Board for their review which will be adopted at the next Board meeting. **Audit Committee** - Ms. Hibbard provided some preliminary feedback from our recent internal financial audit. As a result of the audit, the district retained a fund balance of 5.5%. This under spending of last year's budget was a result of lower utilities cost, lower special education costs and some mid-year retirements. The district is allowed to carry a 4% fund balance and is reviewing options to allocate 1.5% of this fund balance to and approved reserve account. Reserve Funds will be placed under Old Business on the Board agenda.

Superintendent's Report - Opening Day Information - Mr. Wheelock stated staff development days are scheduled for September 4-5 (Tuesday-Wednesday), 2018. Students will return to school on Thursday, September 6, 2018. **New Staff/Newly Tenured Teacher Reception** - Mr. Wheelock informed the Board this reception will be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:40 p.m. in the high school library. **Special Board Meeting** - Mr. Wheelock will send an e-mail to Board members asking their availability for a special Board meeting next week for the purpose of acting on personnel matters.

Old Business - 8th Grade Multi-Day Educational Field Trip - Mr. Wheelock asked if the Board had any more thoughts on this program that was presented at a previous Board meeting. This field trip will be acted on at the September 11, 2018 Board meeting. **Middle School Ski Club** - Mr. Wheelock also asked the Board their thoughts on a Middle School Ski Club that was presented at a previous Board meeting. For the 2018-19 school year, a pilot program will be put in place. This will be placed on the September 11, 2018 Board agenda for action. **Tax Collection** - For building security reasons, Mr. Wheelock asked the Board to think of other ways we might collect taxes. He would like to start informing the community of this via the *News & Views*.

Resolution No. 9 made by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo, seconded by Mrs. Weber Mangini,

- to appoint Stephanie Alsante to the position of teacher assistant in the teaching assistant tenure area for a probationary period of four years to commence September 1, 2018 and to expire September 1, 2022.
- to appoint Erin Lopiccolo to the position of teacher assistant in the teaching assistant tenure area for a probationary period of four years to commence September 1, 2018 and to expire September 1, 2022.
- to appoint Nicole Wilson as a long-term substitute teacher (middle school) effective September 4, 2018 to October 1, 2018 or until such time as the regular teacher returns.
- to appoint Richard Bostick as a long-term substitute teacher (elementary and middle school) effective September 6 to September 21, 2018 or until such time as the regular teacher returns.
- to appoint Cynthia Sigbienny as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 6, 2018.
- to appoint Nicole Hobaica as middle school National Honor Society co-advisor (with Melissa Leone) for the 2018-19 school year. Stipend is subject to change pending negotiation of the contract that expires June 30, 2018.
- that Alyssa Cook be appointed as girls junior high field hockey coach for the 2018-19 school year contingent upon student athlete participation in the sport and pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications. Stipend is subject to change pending negotiation of the contract that expires June 30, 2018.
- to appoint Donald (Eric) Bullock and Zachary Thomas as volunteers assisting a coach in varsity football for the 2018-19 season pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.
- to appoint Gianna Giruzzi as a volunteer assisting a coach in boys & girls cross country for the 2018-19 season pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.
- to adopt the district safety plans as presented for the 2018-19 school year.

Resolution No. 9 (Cont'd)

- to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Board of Education has been authorized by the voters of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District to raise for the 2018-2019 school year a sum not to exceed \$22,160,416.00.

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	237,169,883		237,169,883	0.9200	257,793,351.09	66.147446%	5,112,460.70	237,169,883.00	21.556113
New Hartford	51,185,910	7,500	51,193,410	0.7760	65,970,889.18	16.927534%	1,308,309.84	51,185,910.00	25.559961
Frankfort	30,713,675		30,713,675	0.7000	43,876,678.57	11.258360%	870,145.77	30,713,675.00	28.330891
Litchfield	15,360,780		15,360,780	0.9000	17,067,533.33	4.379375%	338,476.90	15,360,780.00	22.035137
Marshall	3,009,063		3,009,063	0.6600	4,559,186.36	1.169846%	90,416.07	3,009,063.00	30.047915
Kirkland	214,532	3,000	217,532	0.6000	362,553.33	0.093028%	7,190.02	214,532.00	33.514913
Bridgewater	82,768		82,768	0.8700	95,135.63	0.024411%	1,886.69	82,768.00	22.794970
	337,736,611		337,747,111		389,725,327.50	1.00000000	\$7,728,886.00	337,736,611	

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, 2018 and end October 31, 2018 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.

- to adopt the following resolution:

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, 2018 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, 2018.

To collect taxes in the total sum of \$7,728,886 (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.

Resolution No. 9 (Cont'd)

- to adopt the following resolution (cont'd):

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.

- that the minutes of the July 31, 2018 meeting be approved.
- 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 102585 and 02779 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for students numbered 1401104, 1401181 and 1401071 as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Resolution No. 9 (Cont'd)

- 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 appoint Abraham (Bryan) Acee to the position of part-time bus driver contingent upon completion of all Article 19A DMV Regulations effective September 5, 2018 for a probationary period of 26 weeks to commence September 5, 2018 and to expire March 20, 2019.

Carried: Ayes 7.

Miscellaneous Topics - Mr. Critelli asked if the district draws any revenue from the Utica Yard Dogs use of our stadium. Mr. Wheelock shared that we receive \$500.00 per game from them.

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

Resolution No. 10 made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Nelson, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:22 p.m. to discuss a contractual matter. Carried: Ayes 7.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 8:45 p.m.

Resolution No. 11 made by Mrs. Weber Mangini, seconded by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Carried: Ayes 7.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Kloster
Clerk, Board of Education