

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Dawn Miller

Members Present: Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera, Ronald Critelli, Jim Dever,
Todd Nelson and Christine Weber Mangini.
Michele Brennan-Vuocolo - Absent

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

Others Present: Joseph Corleto

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Mrs. Dawn Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentation was given by Michelle Lesser from Bonadio & Co., LLP who gave a draft audit report. The work relationship with the Business Department to retrieve and assist with the audit was highly commended. The Bonadio Company's audit reflects their unmodified opinion regarding our District finances. She did make a suggestion to follow-up with insurance company to make sure that the school is covered in case of a cyber-attack on school information or possible threat. Ms. Lesser reminded the Board that this past year the State legislated that schools may now establish a Teacher Retirement Service (TRS) reserve fund which would allow schools the ability to put unexpended general funds into this reserve to offset future costs. She recommended that the District establish a short time frame in which all financial deposits should be made to avoid any potential misplacement of monies. In regards to student activity funds, she recommends that the each extra-curricular activity that raises funds should have a plan for how those funds are to be expended over time.

Public to Be Heard - Mrs. Miller asked if anyone wished to address the Board.
There was none.

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 – Finance Committee met prior to the meeting to discuss Forecast 5 Analytics. Mr. Nicotera suggested that if Kim and Ron believe it will help to estimate the future then he supports moving forward. Mr. Dever suggests that it would be beneficial to Sauquoit Valley School District to have two (2) people use and understand the program and the reports other than just the District Treasurer, more for backup purposes.

Superintendent's Report –

1. Mr. Wheelock summarized the District Safety Plan which was available on the web for the Board members prior to the meeting. The plan was posted on District website and open for the public to comment. Once Board approves, it will be forwarded to the state. Mr. Nelson suggested to add to the safety plan, “Anyone Can Save a Life Program.” This program was formulated for athletic groups but can be used for all groups and clubs. Mr. Nelson went on to explain that it is important to have someone assigned to do various tasks such as; contact an administrator, call 911 or meet ambulance, to secure the safety and health welfare for all at extra-curricular events.

2. December 4th is the school’s winter concert. During that time Mr. Wheelock would like to take time to recognize the completion of the auditorium’s renovations. Arrangements will be made to thank all those who had a hand in its completion.

Mrs. Miller asked if the public had any comments. None were given.

There was no old business.

Mrs. Miller stated that item #9, action items 9.1 to 9.15 will be read as a consent motion and take one vote. If there are any questions or comments, members can do so prior to vote or pull a motion for further discussion.

Resolution 23: 9.1 – 9.16 made by Mr. Nelson and seconded by Mrs. Weber-Mangini

- 9.1 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 Brian Davoli to the position of bus driver, effective October 9, 2019, pending fingerprint clearance.

- 9.2 to appoint Elizabeth Hale as a substitute bus driver effective October 9, 2019.

- 9.3 to appoint Fabio A. Jasiewicz as a substitute laborer effective October 9, 2019.

- 9.4 to appoint Rebecca Evans, RN as a substitute nurse, effective October 9, 2019.

- 9.5 to approve Paige DelGrego as a substitute teacher, effective October 9, 2019.

- 9.6 to approve the revised Physical Education Plan.

- 9.7 to approve the Special Education Committee members for the Sauquoit Valley Central School District Special Education Committee, as noted below.

Sauquoit Valley Central School Committee on Special Education

Student
Student's Parents/Guardian
CSE Chair/LEA Representative-Tracy Facchini
Student's Regular Education Teacher (if child receives general ed. services)
School Psychologist-Sue McKeon-Pauley
Special Education Teacher
Related Service providers (if appropriate)
Parent Member (if parent requests in writing 72 hours in advance)
School Physician (if parent requests in writing 72 hours in advance)
School Nurse (if appropriate)

Sauquoit Valley Central School Sub-Committee on Special Education

Student
Student's Parents/Guardian
CSE Chair/LEA Representative-Tracy Facchini
School Psychologist-Sue Mckeon-Pauley
Student's Regular Education Teacher (if child receives general ed. services)
Special Education Teacher
Related Service providers (if appropriate)
School Nurse (if appropriate)

CPSE (Pre-School) Committee on Special Education

Student's Parents/Guardian
CPSE Chairperson-Tracy Facchini
BOCES CPSE Coordinator-Sarah Walker
Municipality Representative
Early Intervention Representative
Regular Education Teacher (if child receives general ed. services)
Special Education Teacher (if appropriate)
Related Service Providers (if appropriate)
Parent Member (if parent requests in writing 72 hours in advance)

504 Multi-Disciplinary Team

Student
Student's Parents/Guardian
504 Coordinator-Tracy Facchini
School Psychologist-Sue Mckeon-Pauley
Regular Education Teacher(s)
Related Service Provider
School Physician/Nurse (if appropriate)
Special Education teacher (if appropriate)

- 9.8 to approve the Section III Combining Sports Contract between the Sauquoit Valley Central School District and the New Hartford Central

School District to combine the two districts for athletic competition in the sport of modified, junior varsity and varsity wrestling for the 2019-20 school year.

- 9.9 to approve the Section III Combining Sports Contract between the Sauquoit Valley Central School District and the Utica City School District (Proctor High School) to combine the two districts for athletic competition in the sport of ice hockey for the 2019-20 school year.
- 9.10 to appoint Jerome Tine as a coach for a team of one Sauquoit Valley independent indoor track athletes with the Utica City School District (Proctor High School) for the 2019-20 school year.
- 9.11 to approve the agreement for compensation of services provided by the Law Office of Timothy R. McGill for the 2019-20 school year.
- 9.12 that the Board of Education approve the payment of educational services to Four Winds Hospital.
- 9.13 to accept the Treasurer Reports, Revenue and Appropriation Reports for the months of July and August as reported.
- 9.14 that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills dated September 26, 2019, approved by the claims auditor.
- 9.15 that the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting be approved.
- 9.16 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, 1401236, 103256, 1400784, 1400944, 1400269, 103130 and 1401203 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.

Miscellaneous Topics

Mr. Nicotera received an e-mail from a parent regarding a concern with the UPK Program. He will forward it to Mr. Wheelock to address.

Mr. Nelson inquired about the Fitness Center being available for the community to use. There was very little feedback given in June but with the winter months coming there may be new interest.

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

Resolution 24: made by Mrs. Weber-Mangini, seconded by Mr. Nicotera that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss contractual matter.

Carried: Ayes 6, Naves 0.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Nicotera.

Carried: Ayes 6, Naves 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Goodman
Clerk, Board of Education