

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
Sauquoit, NY 13456

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Date of Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Dawn Miller

Members Present: Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera, Ron Critelli, Jim Dever,  
Todd Nelson and Christine Weber Mangini

Members Absent: Michele Brennan-Vuocolo

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools  
Peter R. Madden, Middle School Principal

Others Present: Member of the Staff

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Miller.

**Pledge of Allegiance** - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Presentation** - **Winter Sports Report (Doug Jones)** - Doug Jones, Athletic Director, shared with the Board the accomplishments of each of the winter sports teams.

**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** - The committee met on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 to discuss use of the fitness center. The committee will meet again on Monday, March 18, 2019.

**Superintendent's Report** - **Staff Development Day Agenda for Friday, March 15, 2019** - Regarding staff development day, Mr. Wheelock informed the Board that some staff would be staying in district and others would be out-of-district.

**Resolution No. 41** made by Mrs. Weber Mangini, seconded by Mr. Nelson,

- resolve to approve the retirement of Timothy Koren as a science teacher, with regret, effective September 15, 2019.
- resolve to approve the retirement of Joseph Zvirzdin as a science teacher, with regret, effective July 1, 2019.
- resolve to approve the retirement of Darlene Lee as a teacher assistant, with regret, effective June 30, 2019.
- resolve to approve the retirement of Michael J. Juliano as building maintenance mechanic, with regret, effective June 30, 2019.
- resolve to approve the retirement of Carol Wightman as a bus driver, with regret, effective June 30, 2019.
- to accept Cheryl Richards resignation as a teacher aide effective March 12, 2019 as she is being permanently appointed to the position of Data Processor I.
- to accept Nicole Wilson's resignation, with regret, as girls junior high track coach effective March 13, 2019.
- that Cheryl Richards probationary position as a Data Processor I become permanent effective March 13, 2019 based upon the successful completion of her probationary period.
- to appoint Kendra Messett as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 13, 2019.
- to appoint Elisha Abbe as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 13, 2019.
- that the Board of Education accept a grant (#DISG20189348) from The Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Inc., the Martin-Gifford Memorial Fund and the Wesley & Marion Small Fund in the amount of \$10,000.00 to support the Disney Leadership Program.
- that the minutes of the February 26, 2019 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 1401203, 1400603, 1400327, 1400486, 1401078, 1400359, 103267, 1400299, 1400318, 1400437, 1400306 and 102637 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for students numbered 1401241, 1401223, 1401221 and 1401222 as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 6.

**Resolution No. 42** made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Critelli, 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 12th day of March, 2019:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

\_\_\_\_\_ presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_:

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 (2) 60-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$122,460 EACH, ALL AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE COST OF \$244,920, LESS TRADE-IN VALUE, IF ANY, AND THAT THE BALANCE OF 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 \$244,920 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 \$244,920. 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: 6            NAYS: 0

Carried: Ayes 6.

**Miscellaneous Topics** - **Mr. Dever** suggested inviting department chairs to Board meetings to talk about educational issues. He also asked if the district should consider appointing a person to serve as a liaison to businesses, higher education or other resources to open doors or provide student access to that which they may not be aware of to propel them into their future. As a reminder, **Mr. Nicotera** stated that the names of Joe Bottini, Mark Evans and Lisa Frost should be included on the plaque for the capital project.

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

**Resolution No. 43** made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mrs. Weber Mangini, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss negotiations and a legal issue. Carried: Ayes 6.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 8:30 p.m.

**Resolution No. 44** made by Mr. Nicotera, seconded by Mr. Critelli, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Carried: Ayes 6.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Kloster, Clerk  
Board of Education