

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Public accessed the meeting live starting at 7:00 p.m. at <https://youtu.be/xbjwwZmT2tg> which was on the school website at [www.svcsd.org](http://www.svcsd.org).

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular

**Presiding Officer:** Mrs. Dawn Miller, President

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

**Members Present:** Anthony Nicotera, Michele Brennan-Vuocolo, Ronald Critelli, James Dever, Todd Nelson, and Christine Weber-Mangini

**Administrators Present:** Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools  
Kimberly Hibbard, District Treasurer, and Brian Read

**Others Present:** Staff, community members and Derick LaLonde (MORIC).

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

**Presentation** – There was none.

**Public to be Heard** – There was none in the chat room.

**Students to be Heard** – There was none in the chat room.

**Old Business** – There was none.

**New Business**

Mrs. Miller stated that action items 9.1 to 9.22 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.

Motion 9.2 was removed as applicant received full time employment in another district and 9.18 was pulled to vote separately.

**Resolution No. 5** made by Mr. Nicotera, and seconded by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo

- to approve Erika Thall's request for a maternity leave to commence on or about September 8, 2020, and be continuous through October 21, 2020; and, to approve her unpaid child care leave to commence on or about October 22, 2020 and be continuous through November 3, 2020.

- to appoint Marissa Stalder as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 8, 2020.
- to appoint Christine Kisiel as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 8, 2020.
- to appoint Taylor Karst as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 8, 2020.
- to appoint Anthony Rocco as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 8, 2020.
- to accept Kimberly Hibbard's resignation as Treasurer, with regret, effective July 31, 2020.
- to accept Tessa Boehlert's resignation as middle school nurse, with regret, effective August 31, 2020.
- to appoint Natalie Powers to the position of School Counselor in the School Counseling & Guidance tenure area for a probationary period of four years to commence September 2, 2020 and to expire September 2, 2024.
- to appoint Natalie Powers as Dignity Act Coordinator for the 2020-2021 school year per the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) signed into law on September 13, 2010 which took effect on July 1, 2012.
- that the following people be appointed to extra-curricular position for 2020-2021 school year.

Alissa Reilly-Stewart	Co-Class Advisor (Freshman)
Melanie Carangelo	Co- Class Advisor (Freshman)

- to approve the agreement between BOCES and Sauquoit Valley Central School for the cooperative bidding agreement for the 2020-21 academic school year.
- to execute the contract between Sauquoit Valley Central School and BOCES for annual services for the 2020-2021 school year.
- to approve the agreement between Sauquoit Valley Central School District and Upstate Cerebral Palsy for students enrolling in the Tradewinds program for the 2020-21 school year.
- Extend the term of the existing Employment agreement between Sauquoit Valley Central School District and Ronald Wheelock dated March 10, 2009 to expire June 30, 2025.

- to approve the salary of the Superintendent of Schools for the 2020-21 school year at \$162,679.
- to approve a one year extension to the Sauquoit Valley Administrators Association contract that expired June 30, 2020.
- to accept donation of \$11,552 from the Ed Wadas Foundation to purchase score boards for the high school gymnasium.
- that the minutes of the July 14, 2020 meeting be approved.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.
- to approve the agreement between Sauquoit Central School District And Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency, Inc. (Head Start) for the period September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

**Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0**

**Resolution No. 6** made by Mr. Nelson, and seconded by Mr. Critelli to reopen motion 9.18 for a vote.

- that the following people be appointed to fall athletic coaching positions for the 2020-21 school year contingent upon student athlete participation in each sport and pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.

<b><i>POSITION</i></b>	<b><i>LEVEL</i></b>	<b><i>BOYS GIRLS</i></b>	<b><i>NAME</i></b>
Cross Country	Coach	Girls/Boys	John Nicotera
Cross Country	Assistant Coach	Girls/Boys	Scott Pritchard
Cross Country	Volunteer	Girls/Boys	Giana Giruzzi

**Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstained 1**

**Superintendent's Report** – Mr. Wheelock discussed the reopening plans of the school. A plan must be submitted Friday, July 31, 2020 to the New York State Department of Education. He thanked the many administrators, staff, students and board members for their time, diligence, ideas and comments to the various different options. A survey was available to the students/families and one for teachers with a high number in responses. Overall the plan may be altered or have some changes as time goes on. The New York State Department of Education and the Health Department are setting guidelines for schools to follow. There will be a financial impact as well since the COVID was not anticipated.

Supplies, materials, personal protection equipment will be increased and the need to assure the rooms are cleaned daily. If a plan is in place for less students in a classroom, staffing may be an issue. Lunches will be contained in the classrooms. Both survey results showed a concern of the emotional and social interaction of the students. Transportation was discussed and planning is still in process. There are some parents who prefer to drive their loved one to school instead of the bus.

**Miscellaneous Topics** – There were none.

**Public to Be Heard** (All Comments Limited to Five Minutes)

**Students to be Heard** – There were none.

**Resolution No. 7** made by Mr. Nicotera, and seconded by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:37 p.m. to discuss personnel and contractual matters.

**Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.**

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 10:02 p.m.

**Resolution No. 8** made by Mrs. Weber-Mangini, and seconded by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo that the meeting be adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

**Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.**

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Goodman  
Clerk