

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

The regular Board of Education meeting was held in-person in the high school library and on-line at 7:00 p.m. at <https://youtu.be/UH4nRUGBeyU> which was located on the school website at www.svcasd.org.

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, May 18, 2021

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Mrs. Miller, President.

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

Members Present: Dawn Miller, Anthony Nicotera, Michele Brennan-Vuocolo, Ronald Critelli, James Dever, and Todd Nelson.

Members Absent: Christine Weber-Mangini

Administrators Present: Ronald Wheelock, Superintendent of Schools
Charles Cowen, Business Administrator.

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

Pledge of Allegiance – The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentation(s) - There was none.

Public to Be Heard – Mrs. Miller reminded viewers to access the chat room with any questions throughout the meeting.

Mr. Sacco asked, if he had a question about the freshman seminar who he should ask? Mr. Wheelock instructed him to contact the principal.

Students to Be Heard – There were none.

Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports

- **Facilities** – Mr. Wheelock gave a preliminary scope of what is going into the capital project. The general purpose of the capital project is to perform upgrades to various infrastructure components throughout the district. This next project will be for upgrades and services that will not be visually seen

like the last project (i.e. auditorium, fitness center, transportation office renovations), but are very much needed such as elevator repair work, roof work and flooring. The cost is at or below 10 million dollars. There is debt coming off and this new debt will would maintain our current tax impact to the tax base. Looking to get this to the State Education Department (SED) as soon as possible to start as soon as summer of 2022 with roofing if approval is given by the SED. Other work will start after the summer of 2022 or early 2023. A few of the upgrades are elevator, flooring, locker rooms updates, water systems, phone systems, turf replacement and resurface the track along with drainage. The District will receive 89% state aid on all work that is eligible for state aid. Questions were asked about the track as to the cost and repair work that was done in the past. Mr. Wheelock estimated the track and turf replacement cost would be \$1.5 million. Mr. Critelli asked if it would affect any sporting events. Mr. Wheelock stated it may and the work would be scheduled to minimize any impact to the greatest extent possible.

Superintendent's Report – There was none.

Old Business – There was none.

New Business - Mrs. Miller stated that she will read motion 9.1 to 9.7 as a consent motion and take one vote. If there are any questions or comment, members can do so prior to vote or pull a motion for further discussion.

Resolution No. 67 made by Mr. Nelson, and seconded by Mr. Dever

- to appoint Michael Eisinger and Lisa Valentine as a lead teachers to Patricia Murphy for the 2021-2022 school year.
- to appoint Dawn Miller as Chairperson of the election and budget vote on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.
- to ratify the agreement with the Sauquoit Valley Administration's Association covering the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026.
- to accept the Treasurer Reports, Revenue and Appropriation Reports for the months of July 2020 and April 30, 2021 as reported.
- that the minutes of the May 11, 2021 meeting be approved.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor (May 12, 2021).
- 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 1401223, 1401221, 1401233, 1401317, 1400784, 1401261, 1401345, 1401347, 1401241, 1401259, 103170, 1400982,

1401314, 102800, 103044, 102818, 1400440, 1400533, 103153, 1400545, 103081, 1401070, 1401213, 1401223, 1401221, 1401233, 1401261, 1401402, 1401259, 1401471, 1401309, 1401521, 1401399, and 1401307, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Carried: Aye 6, Nayes 0.

Miscellaneous Topics – Mr. Nelson brought information forth in regards to National Federation for High School Athletics offering two free cameras and installation with a subscription for streaming athletic events. There are different options as to a subscription but the use and availability for the public to access and watch an event is worth looking into. Mr. Wheelock stated that he will look into the cameras and it will be on the next board agenda under old business.

Mr. Nicotera asked about the buses outside of the garage as to why. Mr. Wheelock explained there is no room inside and they are available if needed. Mr. Nicotera also asked if it would be wise to use some of the extra funds for upgrading the lower soccer field to include a baseball/softball field. Mr. Wheelock explained the field does get used as a practice field for baseball. Mr. Nelson stated that pickle ball is becoming a very popular sporting activity. Maybe the school should look into putting lines on the tennis court for pickle ball, use the same court for both sports. Mr. Nicotera inquired about considering to include enhancing or upgrading the scoreboard at the stadium. Mrs. Miller shared a concern with access to bathroom at middle school softball/soccer field for spectators, as well as, the steepness of the path to get down to the same field.

Public & Students to Be Heard – There was none.

Executive Session – There was none.

Resolution No. 68 made by Ms. Brennan-Vuocolo, and seconded by Mr. Critelli, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 6, Nayes 0.

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Goodman,
District Clerk
Board of Education

