

2023-2024 SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mission Statement

The mission of the Seneca Falls Central School District is to provide quality educational opportunities and experiences for all students in a safe and positive environment that promotes academic excellence.

Vision

Pride & Opportunity

REVISED

April 11, 2024 Board Meeting

6:00 PM

Public Meeting /Frank
Knight Roundtable #18

Frank Knight Cafeteria
98 Clinton Street

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Deborah Corsner
Anthony Ferrara
Cara Lajewski
Matthew Lando
Denise Lorenzetti
Joseph McNamara
Michael Mirras
Erica Sinicropi
Heather Zellers

Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent
James Bruni, Business Administrator

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
April 11, 2024 BOE Meeting/FK Roundtable- 6:00 PM
Frank Knight Cafeteria
98 Clinton Street

I. Meeting called to order

II. Quorum Check

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: to approve the agenda with addendum(s) as listed.

Under X. Consent Agenda

2. Civil Service Appointments

- a. **Name:** Jason Hurdle
Civil Service Position: Building Maintenance Mechanic
Effective Date: 04/12/2024
Probationary period: 04/12/2024 through 04/11/2025
Hourly Rate: \$21.00
Hours per day: 8.0

E. 2024-2025 Transportation Requests

	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
	St. John Paul, 6201 Center St., Cayuga, NY 13034
	St. John Paul, 6201 Center St., Cayuga, NY 13034

MOVE X. Consent Agenda to follow V. Approve or Amend

MOVE 2024-2025 Budget Workshop Letter B. under VI. Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

Under XII. New Business

ADD

- A. Propositions-May 21, 2024 Annual Meeting (Budget Vote/Election)
1. 2024-2025 Budget Proposition

REVISE

2. 2024-2025 Purchase of Buses Proposition
PROPOSITION 2 – 2024-2025 Purchase of Buses Proposition
Increase purchase price of buses from \$500,000.00 to \$625,000.00

REMOVE

- b. Property Tax Report Card (moved to April 24 agenda)

V. Approve or Amend

- A. Board of Education Minutes-March 21, 2024

MOTION: to approve the Board of Education Minutes dated March 21, 2024.

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- B. Treasurer's Report-February 2024

MOTION: to approve the Treasurer's Report for February 2024

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- C. Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report-February 2024

MOTION: to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for February 2024.

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Retirements/Resignations/Terminations

1. SFAA-None at this time
2. SFEA-None at this time
3. SFSSA-Termination

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education terminates the following employee:

- a. Name: Jacob Kuhlman
Position: Cleaner
Effective: the end of the day on 03/26/2024

B. Appointments

1. Professional Appointments

The Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, hereby appoints *(Probation dates are tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law sections 2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.)*

- a. Name: Carrie Heffron
Position: Assistant Principal
Certification: School District Leader and School Building Leader *(pending)*
Tenure: Assistant Principal
Effective date: 04/12/2024
Probation: 04/12/2024 through 04/11/2025
Salary: \$83,500 *(to be pro-rated through June 30, 2024)*

- b. Name: Stephanie Moll
Position: K-8 Literacy Coach (TOSA)
Certification: Elementary Education K-Gr. 6 (Permanent Certification) and Literacy Gr. K-6 (Professional)
Effective date: 07/01/2024
Salary Schedule + Position Stipend

2. Civil Service Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following Civil Service position(s) *(All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*.

- a. Name: Jason Hurdle
Civil Service Position: Building Maintenance Mechanic
Effective Date: 04/12/2024
Probationary period: 04/12/2024 through 04/11/2025
Hourly Rate: \$21.00
Hours per day: 8.0

3. Substitute Appointments:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following substitute appointment(s) *(All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*.

- a. Name: Jonathon Bree

Position: Social Studies LTS
 Certification: Social Studies Gr. 7-12-Professional Certification
 Effective date: 2024-2025 school year
 Salary: \$44,200

b. Name: Nancy Sweeney
 Position: Substitute Teacher Aide
 Effective: 04/12/2024

c. Name: Kyle Dawley
 Position: Substitute Custodian
 Effective: 04/12/2024

6. Probationary to Permanent

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the probationary to permanent appointment of the following employee(s):

Employee	Position	Effective
Carolyn Breese	School Bus Driver	April 14, 2024

C. CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes: 01/17/2024, 02/29/2024, 03/04/2024, 03/04/2024, 03/05/2024, 03/06/2024, 03/07/2024, 03/08/2024, 03/11/2024, 03/12/2024, 03/13/2024, 03/14/2024, 03/15/2024, 03/18/2024, 03/19/2024, 03/20/2024, 03/21/2024,

D. Gifts and Donations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following gifts or donations:

Donor	Amount	Account	
SF Robotics Club	\$550.00	A2705	ECS & MS STEM Programs

E. 2024-2025 Transportation Requests

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following requests for transportation for the 2024-2025 school year.

Student	Transport Request
	Seneca Bible Baptist School, 1859 Auburn Road, Seneca Falls
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	Seneca Bible Baptist School, 1859 Auburn Road, Seneca Falls
	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
	St. Francis-St. Stephens, 17 Elmwood, Geneva, NY
	St. Francis-St. Stephens, 17 Elmwood, Geneva, NY
	St. John Paul, 6201 Center St., Cayuga, NY 13034
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MOTION: To approve the consent agenda as listed.

VII. Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

- A. Frank Knight Roundtable
- B. **2024-2025 Budget Workshop**

VIII. Public Comment

The Seneca Falls Board of Education welcomes public comment. Speakers may comment on matters related to agenda items specifically or district matters generally. No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than three (3) minutes. Public comments will be limited to thirty (30) minutes. All speakers and observers are to conduct themselves in a civil manner. Obscene language, defamatory statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial, religious, or other forms of prejudice will not be tolerated. In the unlikely event the meeting becomes unruly, the board will recess the meeting and return once order has been restored.

Persons addressing the Board of Education during public comment should not expect to engage in discussion with the Board. The Board will not permit any comments involving specific individual personnel or students.

Questions and comments from the public concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be referred to the Superintendent. Persons wishing to have matters included on the agenda shall contact the Superintendent in accordance with Policy 2342, Agenda Preparation.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Health Insurance Committee

X. Information

A. Warrants

03/01/2024-03/30/2024

Warrant #73 (A) \$629,562.76

Warrant #74 (A) \$ 21,192.34

Warrant #77 (A) \$ 58,896.87

Warrant #78 (A) \$415,520.28

Warrant #29 (C) \$ 24,151.42

Warrant #30 (C) \$ 17.16

Warrant #31 (C) \$ 1,305.99

Warrant #31 (F) \$ 18,928.24

Warrant #32 (F) \$ 18,464.25

Warrant #34 (F) \$ 2,755.84

Warrant #33 (F) \$ 334.33

Warrant # 4 (H) \$ 10,533.33

Warrant # 5 (H) \$ 10,533.33

B. Business Administrator Report

C. Superintendent Report

D. BOE President Report

E. BOE Member Comments

F. Important Dates to Remember

April 13, 2024-Four County SBA Legislative Meeting (9:00 am)

April 22, 2024-Candidate Petitions are due to District Clerk by 5:00 pm.

April 24, 2024-BOE Meeting/ECS Roundtable

May 9, 2024-BOE Meeting/Public Hearing

May 11, 2024-Four County SBA Legislative Meeting (9:00 am)

May 16, 2024- Four County SBA Annual Meeting

May 21, 2024-Annual Meeting (Budget Vote/Election)

May 24, 2024-No School for students & 10 month employees

May 27, 2024-Memorial Day Holiday

XI. Old Business-None at this time

XII. New Business

A. Propositions-May 21, 2024 Annual Meeting (Budget Vote/Election)

1. 2024-2025 Budget Proposition

MOTION: to approve the following proposition be placed on the ballot for the May 21, 2024 vote:

PROPOSITION 1– 2024-2025 Budget

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, Seneca County is hereby authorized to expend the sum of thirty-six million, eight-hundred eighty-six thousand, seven-hundred fifty-four dollars (\$36,886,754.00) in the 2024-2025 school year with such amount to be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of such School District, after first deducting the monies available from State Aid and other sources as provided by law.

2. 2024-2025 Purchase of Buses Proposition

MOTION: to approve the following proposition be placed on the ballot for the May 21, 2024 vote:

PROPOSITION 2 – 2024-2025 Purchase of Buses

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, Seneca County is hereby authorized to purchase four (4) buses for the transportation of district students, for a sum of money not to exceed six- hundred, twenty-five thousand dollars (\$625,000.00); said amount to be expended in the 2024-2025 fiscal year; said sum or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be withdrawn from the district's "Capital Reserve Fund-Purchase of Buses" and/or the unassigned fund balance, in accordance with the Education Law and Local Finance Law.

3. Seneca Falls Library Tax Levy Increase Proposition

MOTION: to approve the following proposition be placed on the ballot for the May 21, 2024 vote:

PROPOSITION 3 - Seneca Falls Library Tax Levy Increase

Shall the sum of three hundred sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$367,000.00) be raised by annual levy of a tax upon the taxable property within the Seneca Falls Central School District for the purpose of funding the Seneca Falls Library?

B. Policy-2nd Reading

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2nd and final reading of the following policy:

Policy 4850- ANIMALS IN THE SCHOOLS
Exhibit 4850- ANIMALS IN SCHOOLS

C. WFL BOCES 2024-2025 Cooperative (Various Commodities and/or Services)

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 the following General Resolution for the Purpose of participating in a Cooperative Bid coordinated by the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties (WFL BOCES) as written:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State desires to participate in a Cooperative Bidding Program conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties from year to year or, until this Resolution is rescinded, for the purchase of Various Commodities and/or Services. And...

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State is desirous of participating with The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties in the joint bid of the commodities and/or services mentioned below as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o... And...

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State has appointed The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties as representative to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting the results to the Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State and making recommendations thereon...

THEREFORE...

BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State and The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties hereby accepts the appointment of The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters related above... And...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Board of Education Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State authorizes the above-mentioned Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters regarding the entering into contract for the purchase of the below-mentioned commodities and/or services... And...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Board of Education Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs incurred as a result of the cooperative bidding... And...

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Superintendent, on behalf of the Board of Education, Seneca Falls Central School District of New York State hereby is authorized to participate in cooperative bidding conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties for various commodities and/or services and if requested to furnish The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties an estimated minimum number of units that will be purchased by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties. The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties is hereby authorized to award cooperative bids to the bidder deemed to be the lowest responsive and responsible meeting the bid specifications and otherwise complying with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York relating to public bids and contracts.

D. 2024-2025 Resolutions for the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Service

1. 2024-2025 DCMO BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Resolution:

MOTION: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 DCMO BOCES Cooperative Purchasing resolution as written:

WHEREAS, The Cooperative Purchasing Service is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly equipment, supplies and contract items, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES in the joint bidding of the items mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below wishes to appoint the Delaware-Chenango-Madison- Otsego BOCES to advertise for bid, accept, tabulate bids and award bids on their behalf; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below hereby appoints the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Evening Sun Newspaper as the legal publication for all Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below authorizes the Delaware- Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below agrees to (1) assume its equitable share of the costs of the Cooperative Bidding; (2) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts; (3) abide by the Award of the BOCES Board; (4) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

2. 2024-2025 DCMO BOCES Cooperative Bid-Generic Resolution

MOTION: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Generic Resolution as written:

WHEREAS, It is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison- Otsego BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly equipment, supplies and contract items, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in the joint bidding of the items mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below wishes to appoint a committee made up of participating schools to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids and providing the information to their Board of Education who will make the awards; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below hereby appoints the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Evening Sun Newspaper as the legal publication for all Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below authorizes the above committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned items, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that it will award contracts based on information provided from the bid; (3) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

3. 2024-2025 DCMO BOCES Cooperative Bid Cafeteria Supplies and Food Bid Resolution

MOTION: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 DCMO BOCES Cafeteria Supplies and Food Bid resolution as written:

WHEREAS, it is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly Cafeteria supplies including but not limited to food and paper items, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in the joint bidding of the items mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, The Seneca Falls Central School District named below wishes to appoint a committee made up of participating schools to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids and providing the information to their Board of Education who will make the awards; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below hereby appoints the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above,

and designates the Evening Sun Newspaper as the legal publication for all Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below authorizes the above committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned items, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education of the Central School listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that it will award contracts based on information provided from the bid; (3) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

E. 2024-2025 Regional Recruitment/Online Application System (OLAS) Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES

MOTION: to approve the request for a Cross Contract with Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES for the Regional Recruitment/Online Application System (OLAS).

F. Four County School Board Association

1. Four County School Board Association Election of Officers

a. Board President

MOTION: that the Board of Education for the Seneca Falls Central School District cast one vote for Joseph McNamara, Seneca Falls Central School District, as President for the Four County School Boards Association for a one-year term effective July 1, 2024.

b. Board Vice-President

MOTION: that the Board of Education for the Seneca Falls Central School District cast one vote for Carrie Resch, Wayne Central School District, as Vice-President for the Four County School Boards Association for a one-year term effective July 1, 2024.

2. Four County School Board Association Banking

a. Banking Depository

MOTION: that the Board of Education for the Seneca Falls Central School District cast one vote for Reliant Community Credit Union as depository for Four County School Boards Association starting July 1, 2024.

b. Signatories on Bank Accounts

MOTION: that the Board of Education for the Seneca Falls Central School District cast one vote for each of the following as signatories on Four County School Board Association bank account starting July 1, 2024:

Executive Director

Treasurer

President

Vice-President

c. Bylaws and Policy Changes

MOTION: the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education approves the changes to the Four County School Board Associations Bylaws as presented.

G. Establishment of Lewis A. Johns Memorial Football Scholarship

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the establishment of the following annual Lewis A. Johns Memorial Football Scholarship:

Establishment of the Lewis A. Johns Memorial Football Scholarship

- Amount of Award: \$500.00
- Award will be presented at high school graduation to a graduating senior.
- Money will be held by the donor (Glenda Johns & Krista Johns-Calabrese)
- Criteria:
 - Given to a student/athlete with “grit, potential and ambition” planning to obtain a two or four year college degree, enter into the military or a trade school;
 - A high achieving, academically talented student/athlete with financial needs;
 - A student /athlete who has demonstrated leadership, integrity and citizenship within the community;
 - Student /athlete who as volunteered personal time to assist with sporting events, in or outside of school.
 - Student/athlete must meet the attendance and tardy requirement.
- Selection Process: The Varsity Football Coach and Athletic Director will select the Mynderse Academy graduating candidates who closely meet the criteria. The recipient of the scholarship will be chosen by the donors after given the recommended list of eligible student/athletes.

XIII. Executive Session (Contingent upon adoption of a motion during the public portion of the meeting in accordance with Section 105 of the Public Officers Law)

XIV. Adjourn

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting.