

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

June 6, 2024

BOE Meeting

Robert McKeveny Training Room
2 Butler Avenue

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
June 6, 2024 BOE Meeting
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room-6:00 pm

I. Meeting called to order

II. Quorum Check

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: to approve the agenda with addendums as listed.

ADD under X. Consent Agenda

A. Retirements/Resignations/Terminations

3. SFSSA-Resignation

d. Name: Lynn Rotz

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: 06/30/2024

B. Appointments

2. 2023-2024 Annual Appointments

Position	Employee	Stipend
<u>Strength & Conditioning Coach</u>	<u>Joe Caraher</u>	<u>\$1,457.00</u>
<u>Fleet Coordinator</u>	<u>Robert Bennett</u>	<u>Pro-rated based on the 2023-2024 stipend</u>

3. Civil Service Appointments

c. Name: Robert Bennett

Civil Service Position: Head Auto Mechanic

Effective: 06/17/2024

Probationary Period: 06/17/2024 through 06/16/2025

Hours/day: 8

Hourly Rate: \$26.34

ADD under XII. New Business

I. Fredenburgh Scholarship

J. Confidential List of Scholarship Recipients

V. Approve or Amend

A. Board of Education Minutes

MOTION: to approve the following Board of Education Minutes as listed:

1. May 9, 2024

2. May 21, 2024 Annual Meeting (vote)

B. Treasurer's Report-March 2024

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

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

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

VI. Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

A. Valedictorian- Sophie Palladino

Salutatorian-Madelyn Verkey

B. Athletes-Track & Varsity Boys Basketball

C. Administrators & Supervisors Reports

VII. 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.

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Facilities Committee
- B. Scholarship Committee

IX. Information

A. Warrants

05/01/2024-05/31/2024

Warrant #89 (A) \$914,076.40
Warrant #90 (A) \$ 13,698.38
Warrant #91 (A) \$ 50,062.20
Warrant #33 (C) \$ 25,458.33
Warrant #34 (C) \$ 11,245.51
Warrant #35 (C) \$ 5,071.19
Warrant #40 (F) \$ 24,999.10
Warrant #41 (F) \$ 85,037.53
Warrant #42 (F) \$ 10,690.20
Warrant # 7 (H) \$571,418.70

- B. Business Administrator Report
- C. Superintendent Report
- D. BOE President Report
- E. BOE Member Comments

F. Important Dates to Remember

June 10, 2024-7th & 8th Grade Awards Ceremony (6:00 pm-MA Auditorium)
June 13, 2024-Kindergarten Graduation (6:30 pm-MA Auditorium)
June 14, 2024-Flag Day Ceremony (9:15 am-Frank Knight School)
June 17, 2024-High School & Athletic Awards Ceremony (5:30 pm-MA Auditorium)
June 19, 2024-Juneteenth Holiday-No school
June 20, 2024-BOE Meeting
June 25, 2024-8th Grade Graduation (6:00 pm-Front of MS-weather permitting)
June 28, 2024-MA Graduation (7:00 pm-Bracht Field-weather permitting)

X. Consent Agenda

A. Retirements/Resignations/Terminations

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following Resignation(s):

- a. Name: Chad Burnham
Position: Head Auto Mechanic
Effective: 06/04/2024
- b. Name: Cassidy Adams
Position: Teacher Aide
Effective: 06/30/2024
- c. Name: Katie Terry
Position: Teacher Aide
Effective: 06/30/2024
- d. Name: Lynn Rotz
Position: Teacher Aide
Effective: 06/30/2024

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: William Corwin
Position: Science Education Teacher
Certification: Science Gr. 7-9 (Initial Certification)
Tenure: Science Education
Effective date: 07/01/2024
Probation: 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2028
Salary: \$ 44,200 (Step 1)

2. 2023-2024 Annual Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves following annual appointments for the 2023-2024 school year.

Position	Employee	Stipend
Strength & Conditioning Coach	Joe Caraher	\$1,457.00
Medicaid Billing Assistant	Karolyn Gaydosh	Pro-rated based on the 2023-2024 stipend
Fleet Coordinator	Robert Bennett	Pro-rated based on the 2023-2024 stipend

3. 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: Madison Doyle
Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide
Effective: 05/10/2024 (retro)
Probationary Period: 05/10/2024 to 05/09/2025
Hours/day: 6
Hourly Rate: \$16.00

- b. Name: Marissa Malchoff
Civil Service Position: Teacher Aide
Effective: 05/20/2024 (retro)
Probationary Period: 05/20/2024 to 05/19/2025
Hours/day: 6
Hourly Rate: \$16.00

- c. Name: Robert Bennett
Civil Service Position: Head Auto Mechanic
Effective: 06/17/2024
Probationary Period: 06/17/2024 through 06/16/2025
Hours/day: 8
Hourly Rate: \$26.34

- d. Name: Jacob Quill
Civil Service Position: Cleaner
Effective: 06/07/2024
Probationary Period: 06/07/2024 through 06/06/2025
Hours/day: 8
Hourly Rate: \$15.25

- e. Name: Joy Branford
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

- f. Name: Domenic Bruni
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

- g. Name: Brittany Draheim
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

- h. Name: Briana Impastato
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

- i. Name: Christopher Lyon
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

- j. Name: William Korzeniewski
Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
Hours: 8 hrs. /day
Hourly Rate: \$15.71

k. Name: William Kise
 Civil Service Position: Summer Laborer
 Effective Date: 07/01/2024 through 08/27/2024
 Hours: 7 hrs. /day
 Hourly Rate: \$15.71

4. 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: Claire Ludovico
 Position: Substitute Teacher
 NYSED Certification: Earth Science and General Science gr. 7-12 (Permanent)
 Effective date: 06/07/2024

b. Name: Jacob Anderson
 Position: Substitute Teacher
 NYSED Certification: Uncertified
 Effective date: 06/07/2024

c. Name: Christopher Smith
 Position: Substitute Bus Driver
 Effective date: 07/01/2024

5. Probationary to Permanent-None at this time

C. CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes:

04/22/2024, 04/23/2024 (1), 04/23/2024 (2), 04/24/2024, 04/26/2024, 04/29/2024, 04/30/2024, 05/01/2024 (1), 05/01/2024 (2), 05/02/2024, 05/03/2024, 05/06/2024 (1), 05/06/2024 (2), 05/07/2024, 05/08/2024, 05/09/2024, 05/10/2024

D. Gifts and Donations

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

Donor	Amount	Account	
Ohioptyle, Inc.	\$27.30	A2110-450-04-PBIS	PBIS supplies

E. 2024-2025 Transportation Request(s)

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
Frank Caratozzolo	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
Rocco Caratozzolo	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
Abigail Freier	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
Josiah Freier	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls
Levi Winters	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls

F. Overnight Field Trip Request(s)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2025 Field Trip to New York City pending compliance with Board of Education Policy #4531-Field Trips and Excursions:

New York City Carnegie Hall Performance
March 13-March 17, 2025 in New York City, NY
Attendees: Anna Luisi Ellis-Music Teacher
Laura Fitzgerald, Band Teacher
Chorus students

MOTION: To approve the consent agenda as listed.

XI. Old Business-None at this time

XII. New Business

A. Tenure Recommendations

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education does hereby approve the following tenure appointments:

1. Kevin Korzeniewski
Seneca Falls, NY
School District Leader, Professional Certificate
Tenure: Assistant Principal
Effective: July 1, 2024
2. Alexis Becker
Canandaigua, NY
Visual Arts, Initial Certificate
Tenure: Art Education
Effective: July 1, 2024
3. Jared Federman
Seneca Falls, NY
Mathematics (Gr. 7-12), Professional Certificate
Tenure: Math Education
Effective: July 1, 2024.
4. Amanda Fleig
Stanley, NY
Library Media Specialist, Professional Certificate
Tenure: Library Media Specialist
Effective: July 1, 2024.
5. Kelly Grieco
Weedsport, NY
Nursery, Kindergarten, Grade 1-6, Permanent Certificate
Tenure: Elementary Education
Effective July 1, 2024.
6. Elizabeth Jones
Geneva, NY
Childhood Education (Gr. 1-6), Professional Certificate
Tenure: Elementary Education
Effective: July 1, 2024.

7. Ashley Leederman
Seneca Falls, NY
Physical Education, Professional Certificate
Tenure: Physical Education
Effective: July 1, 2024.
 8. Lauren Passalacqua
Geneva, NY
Literacy (B-Gr. 6), Professional Certificate
Tenure: Reading Education
Effective: July 1, 2024.
 9. Timothy Shaffer
Farmington, NY
English Language Arts Gr. 7-12, Initial Certificate
Tenure: English Education
Effective: August 29, 2024.
 10. John Cronin
Seneca Falls, NY
Literacy (Gr. 5-12), Professional Certificate
Tenure: Reading Education
Effective: September 23, 2024.
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B. Agreements/MOA's

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following agreements/MOAs:

1. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Seneca County MOA
Delivery of Farm to School Program Services
June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025.
 2. Athletic Training Agreement
Geneva General Hospital
Services of a licensed athletic trainer \$18,500
August 1, 2024 through July 21, 2025.
 3. SFCSD Benefit Resource Plan
Amended and restated Eff. July 1, 2024
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C. District Plans

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following district plans for the 2024-2025 school year:

1. 2024-2025 Professional Learning Plan
 2. 2024-2025 Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Plan
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D. STAR Reimbursement to Taxpayers

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following resolution as written:

WHEREAS, in 2023, properties within the Seneca Falls Central School District were reassessed by the local assessor; and

WHEREAS, this reassessment caused a miscalculation with respect to the Certified School Tax Relief Program (STAR) exemption and resulted in some taxpayers not receiving the full exemption amount to which they were entitled; and

WHEREAS, the District was notified by the New York State Office of Real Property Tax Services that, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 556-B, the District must reimburse any additional amounts that should have been offset from 2023 property taxes due to the STAR exemption directly to taxpayers; and WHEREAS, the reimbursement amounts total One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$186,777.29).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education directs that an amount sufficient to pay such reimbursements be transferred from available fund balance and that such reimbursements be made to affected taxpayers no later than June 30, 2024.

E. ECS HVAC System Emergency Declaration

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following declaration as written:

WHEREAS, the District has been advised by HUNT, its architect, that the HVAC system at Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School is in need of immediate repair to protect the School District, its residents, students, staff, faculty, buildings and property; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned circumstances constitutes an emergency that requires immediate action which cannot await the solicitation of bids in the ordinary course under New York State General Municipal Law and Section 103(4); and

WHEREAS, the School District administration, together with HUNT has identified LMC Industrial Contractors Inc. to procure the necessary equipment and install same; and

WHEREAS, the School District administration, along with Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Cooperative HVAC Services Bid #WFL 2022-51PW, has awarded a construction contract with LMC Industrial Contractors Inc. that it believes ensures the prudent and economical use of public monies, is in the best interests of the School District, and facilitates the acquisition of equipment and services of maximum quality at the lowest possible costs under the Circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the emergency constitutes an unforeseen condition and the need for timely and necessary installation of HVAC equipment requires immediate action inasmuch as the delay associated with seeking bids for a HVAC contractor may affect public buildings, public property or the life, health, safety or welfare of the District's students, staff and faculty; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby determines and declares that the repair of the HVAC equipment at Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School constitutes an emergency condition affecting public buildings, public property and the safety of the District's students, staff and faculty in accordance with Section 103(4) of the New York General Municipal Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools or her designee is hereby authorized to execute the aforementioned construction management agreement with LMC Industrial Contractors Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the award of a construction contract with LMC Industrial Contractors Inc., retroactive to the contract date of May 8, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or her designee to undertake whatever actions are necessary in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, including the transfer of up to \$145,000 from unappropriated fund balance to the capital fund to complete the project, including architect and engineering fees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately to protect the interests of the School District under the aforementioned circumstances.

F. Food Service Equipment Replacement RFP

MOTION: after evaluation of all successful applicant bids, the Superintendent, in conjunction with the Administrator of Business and Operations, recommends that the Board of Education award the contract for the Food Service Equipment Replacement to Douglas Equipment Company (Bluefield, WV) to be funded from C Fund Excess Fund Balance or other General Fund appropriation

Companies	Bid
Douglas Equipment	\$82,863.85
7GENS LLC	\$98,900.00
Joseph Filhan	\$139,700.00

G. Budget Transfers

MOTION: to approve the following budget transfers as listed:

FROM FUND ACCOUNT #	\$ AMOUNT	TO FUND ACCOUNT #	REASON
A 2110.130-05-0000	\$75,000.00	A 1620.490-00-0000	Transfer to cover the cost of BOCES HVAC Service
A 2110.130-04-0000	\$29,000.00	A 1680.490-00-0000	Transfer to cover the cost of BOCES software applications
A 2630.150-00-0000	\$125,000.00	A 2630.490-00-0000	Transfer to cover the cost of Instructional Tech Equipment
A 2110.120-02-0000	\$100,000.00	A 2630.490-00-0000	Transfer to cover the cost of Instructional Tech Equipment

H. Maria Scialdone Culinary Scholarship

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the establishment of the following one-time award:

- Maria Scialdone Culinary Scholarship
- Amount of Award: \$400.00
- Award will be presented at high school graduation.
- Money will be held by Education Foundation
- Criteria:
 - One-time award;
 - Given to a graduating senior of Mynderse Academy who will be attending culinary school.
 - The recipient must provide proof that they are enrolled and have been accepted into a culinary school.
- Selection Process: Nominations will be sent to family who will then make the final decision.
- Nominations will be sent to the family the first year there are valid graduating candidates for the award. Once the award is given, the scholarship will cease.

I. Fredenburgh Scholarship

MOTION: to award nine (9) Fredenburgh Scholarships, for the 2024 Mynderse Academy graduating class, in the amount of \$1,500 per year (\$750 a semester) for four years.

J. Confidential List of Scholarship Recipients

MOTION: to approve the confidential list of recipients for the Fredenburgh Scholarship and other awards as presented for the Mynderse Academy graduating Class of June 2024

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.