

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
Sauquoit, NY 13456

**Date of Meeting:** June 4, 2024

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Presiding Officer:** Mr. Anthony Nicotera, President called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

**Members Present:** Anthony Nicotera, Patricia Collins, Ronald Critelli, Judy Kentile, Cathy Pumilia and Mike Sacco.

**Members Absent:** Lynn Weibel.

**Administration Present:** David Stayton, Superintendent  
Charles Cowen, Business Administration

**Others Present:** Staff & community members signed in.

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

**Presentations:** There were none.

**Committee Reports:** Mr. Stayton read the scheduled meetings:  
Policy Committee met prior to this meeting and will be presented to the board at the June 18, 2024 meeting for approval. On June 11, the Board Operations/Relationships/Development committee will meet.

**Superintendent's Report:** Students recently returned from the senior trip to New Jersey where they experienced an enjoyable time. Additionally, several students recently participated in the Give Kids the World Leadership training at Disney and appreciated the opportunity to learn skills while helping serve others. The Concert Band recently earned a gold rating as a Level IV ensemble at the 2024 NYSSMA Majors Music Festival. Junior Liz Messett was recently recognized for the Perseverance Award. Students Brayden Maltese and Kaylie Roach were recently recognized as Positive Referral Award winners. Alissa Reilly-Stewart was recognized as the recipient of the SVCSD Teacher of the Month award for April; Tammy Purrington received this recognition for May. The boys track team won sectionals and finished first in the league. Several students set personal records this season; several others broke school records. This includes Nathan Hanna (discus), Addison Lazarek (long jump), Katie Judway (pole vault) and Johnny Mudge, who broke Coach Nicotera's school record in the 1600 m. The following track athletes will now compete at the state tournament on June 7: Nathan Hanna (shot put, discus), Aaron Johnson (pole vault), Addison Lazarek (long jump, triple jump, 400 m hurdles) and

Johnny Mudge (1600 m). Sophomore Kamryn Yerman finished tied for sixth place in New York State in the girls' golf tournament. Kamryn was the top finisher in Section III.

Ride for Missing Children is Friday, June 7.

**Old Business:** There was none.

**New Business:** Mr. Anthony Nicotera stated that action 7.1 to 7.12 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.

Mr. Stayton stated he is very supportive of Gabrielle Duell in her decision to move to another position. It is disappointing to lose her.

He thanked the School Related Professionals for their hard work and professionalism in getting the agreement completed.

Mr. Stayton then took a moment to thank all the staff who volunteered to take on extra assignments as extra-curricular and CAC advisors. This gives the students more opportunity to grow.

**Resolution No. 84:** made by Mr. Mike Sacco, and seconded by Ms. Patricia Collins,

- to accept the resignation of Gabrielle Duell as guidance counselor, effective August 31, 2024.
- to appoint Mariella Weaver as a per diem substitute teacher effective June 5, 2024.
- to accept Henry Heinlein's resignation as laborer effective June 5, 2024.
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, pursuant to all applicable Civil Service rules and regulations, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Henry Heinlein to the position of custodian effective June 6, 2024 for a probationary period of 26 weeks to commence on June 6, 2024 and to expire on December 5, 2024.
- to ratify the agreement with the School Related Professionals Unit covering the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2028.
- to establish the following paid holiday schedule for 2024-25 for 12 month employees as per the school related professionals' contract:
  - July 4
  - September 2
  - October 14
  - November 11, 28 and 29
  - December 24, 25, and 31
  - January 1 and 20
  - February 17
  - April 18
  - May 26

- to approve the agreement between BOCES and Sauquoit Valley Central School for the cooperative bidding agreement for the 2024-25 academic school year.
- that the following people be appointed to extra-curricular positions for the 2024-2025 school year.

<b>Keith Hatch</b>	Art Club (Secondary)
<b>Henryk Lotyczewski</b>	Band (Jazz Ensemble)
<b>Ryan Decker</b>	Vocal Ensemble
<b>Melanie Carangelo &amp; Alissa Reilly-Stewart</b>	Class Advisor (Freshman)
<b>Melanie Carangelo</b>	Class Advisor (Sophomore)
<b>Alissa Reilly-Stewart</b>	Class Advisor (Junior)
<b>Peter Scialdone</b>	Class Advisor (Senior) (2)
<b>Michelle Roche-Babbie</b>	Class Advisor (Senior) (2)
<b>Mallory Snow</b>	Colgate Seminar
<b>Ryan Decker &amp; Claire Haile</b>	Dramatics Director
<b>Savannah Malerba</b>	Green Team (ES)
	Green Team (MS)
<b>Suzanne McKeon-Pauley &amp; Noelle Arcuri</b>	Handshakes
<b>Christa Stephens</b>	Little Bees Literacy
<b>Jamie Leigh Accordino</b>	Math Counts
<b>Christa Stephens</b>	Memory Book (Elementary)
<b>Alison Pirger &amp; Laura Hoffman</b>	Memory Book (Elementary)
<b>Tina Connor &amp; Alison Pirger</b>	Morning Program Coordinator (All School Assembly)
<b>Peter Scialdone</b>	National Honor Society (High School)
<b>Nicole Clarke</b>	National Honor Society (Middle School)
<b>Marisa Cardillo</b>	Newspaper
<b>Tammy Purrington</b>	Reading Club (Middle School)
	SADD (MS)
<b>Sara Piacentino-Call</b>	Ski Club (MS)
<b>Stephanie Carbone</b>	Special Work on Stage (High School Musical)
<b>Jackie Corleto</b>	STEAM Club (ES)
<b>Lisa Smithling &amp; Connie Stayton</b>	STEAM Club (MS)
<b>Kyle Hutchinson</b>	Student Council (High School)
<b>Nicole Clarke</b>	Student Council (Middle School)
<b>Laura Hoffman</b>	Webmaster (District)
<b>Natalie DeTraglia</b>	Yearbook Advisor (High School)
<b>Tammy Purrington</b>	Yearbook (Middle School)

- that the following people be appointed as content area coordinators for the 2024-2025 school year.

<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-4)</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
<b>Jeanice Gigliotti &amp; Jessica Rey</b>	1 Math
<b>Tonya Sullivan</b>	1 Science
<b>Erika Thall</b>	1 Social Studies
<b>Christina Connor &amp; Tiffany Lupia</b>	1.5 ELA / Reading

<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL (5-8)</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
<b>Jamie Leigh Accordino</b>	1 Math
<b>Sara Piacentino Call</b>	1 Science
<b>Joe Macrina</b>	1 Social Studies
<b>Alyssa Cook</b>	1 ELA

<b>HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
<b>Jeff Houck</b>	1 Math
<b>Amanda Hartnett</b>	1 Science
<b>Kyle Hutchinson</b>	1 Social Studies
<b>Mindy Kemp</b>	1 ELA

<b>K-12</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
<b>Lindsay Kidder</b>	1 Physical Education / Health
<b>Ryan Decker</b>	1 Music
<b>Colleen Luczak</b>	.5 Art
<b>Scot Alsante</b>	.5 Home & Careers (7-12)
<b>Michelle Roche-Babbie</b>	.5 Library
<b>Joe Corleto</b>	1 Technology
<b>Alissa Reilly-Stewart</b>	1 Foreign Language (7-12)

- that the minutes of the May 21, 2024 meeting be approved.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.
- 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 1401289, 1401289, 1401266, 1401552, 1401841, 1401177, 1400948, 103003, 1401001, 1400058, 102762, 103081, 1400652,

1401687, 1400127, 103303, 1401070, 1401095, 1401307, 1401062, 1400807, and 1401653 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

**Resolution No. 85:** made by Mr. Ronald Critelli, and seconded by Mr. Mike Sacco,

- that the results of May 21, 2024 annual meeting be recorded as follows:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Budget</b>	310	134	444
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Bus Proposition</b>	314	127	441

Two (2), Three (3) Year Terms	
Mike Makuszak	361
Ronald Critelli	332
Mike Sacco	340
<b>Write Ins:</b>	
Jimmy D.	1
Mary Farley	1
Mike Makuszak	1

Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.

Mr. Stayton took a moment to thank the community for coming out to vote and support the budget. It was not an easy decision for the Board to go out and ask for the increase. The community responded in a large number. Mr. Nicotera stated at a meeting he attended Sauquoit Valley was mentioned for the great outcome in numbers of those who voted.

**Resolution No. 86:** made by Mr. Mike Sacco, and seconded by Ms. Patricia Collins,

- BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 4, 2024 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL BUSES, AUTHORIZING BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF, THE LEVY OF TAXES IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, New York, at the annual meeting of such voters duly held on May 21, 2024, duly approved a proposition authorizing the levy of taxes to be collected in installments, in the manner

provided by the Education Law, for the class of objects or purposes hereinafter described; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District has undertaken or shall undertake certain capital expenditures, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its General Obligation Serial Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$350,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein, and such amount is hereby appropriated therefor.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is the acquisition of two (2) diesel school buses.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum aggregate cost of said purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$350,000, (b) the Sauquoit Valley Central School District plans to finance the cost of said purpose entirely from funds raised by the issuance of said Bonds and the Bond Anticipation Notes hereinafter referred to, and (c) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its Bond Anticipation Notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$350,000, and is hereby authorized to issue renewals thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York in order to finance the purpose in anticipation of the issuance of the above described Bonds.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) there are presently no outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipating of the sale of said Bonds, (b) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby are not issued in anticipation for Bonds for an assessable improvement.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the Sauquoit Valley Central School District reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such obligations. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 9. The faith and credit of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes as the same respectively become due and payable. And annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the

principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 10. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of New York, including without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue Bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, whether to authorize the receipt of bids in an electronic format, and to sell and deliver said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education or to the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President. The President of the Board of Education and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature any Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes the corporate seal of the School District and to attest the same.

Section 11. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the District Clerk of the School District together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the School District. The validity of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.

**Miscellaneous Topics:** Alison Pirger also shared a thank you to the Board Members, superintendent, Mr. Cowen for working with the SRP committee in achieving a smooth transition for a new SRP agreement which passed 24-1. Thank you!! Mr. Nicotera stated the mutual respect and understanding went both ways and was very nice to see a finalized agreement that all parties agreed upon.

**Public to be Heard:** Alison Pirger gave thanks to the Board Members, Charlie Cowen, and David Stayton for working so nicely in updating the SRP contract.

Mr. Stayton gave out gift cards.

**Resolution No. 87:** made by Ms. Judy Kentile, and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia,

- that the Board of Education go into executive session at 6:14 p.m. to discuss negotiations.

Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.

**Resolution No. 88:** made by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Mr. Mike Sacco that the executive session was declared over at 6:43 p.m.

**Resolution No. 89:** made by Mr. Mike Sacco and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.

Sincerely submitted,

Marie Goodman  
Board Clerk

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