

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
 June 20, 2024 BOE Meeting
 6:00 pm

BOE Present

Deborah Corsner, Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski, Denise Lorenzetti, Joseph McNamara, Michael Mirras, and Heather Zellers

BOE Absent

Matthew Lando and Erica Sinicropi

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni and Kevin Rhinehart

Joseph McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Agenda

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the agenda with addendums as listed.

ADD under XII. New Business

B. Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

4. Auburn Enlarged City School District

Health & Welfare Services for students (3) attending Tyburn Academy, St. Albert the Great Academy, and the Montessori School of the Finger Lakes and Creative Minds of Montessori School (\$3,166.44) 2023-2024 school year

6. Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC

Contract for Legal Services for 2024-2025 School Year

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend
Board of Education Minutes

June 6, 2024

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the following Board of Education Minutes for June 6, 2024.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

None at this time

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

None at this time

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

DAY Automation Presentation (zoom) on PA Systems/Wireless Door Locks

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.

Committee Reports

None at this time

Information

Warrants

05/01/2024-05/31/2024

Warrant #94 (A)	\$425,892.29
Warrant #95 (A)	\$ 45,272.43
Warrant #36 (C)	\$ 1,305.99
Warrant #43 (F)	\$ 75,056.19
Warrant #44 (F)	\$ 8,990.31
Warrant #8 (H)	\$ 11,272.08
Warrant #2 (CM)	\$ 825.00

Business Administrator Report

James Bruni shared the potential District Safety Enhancements with the Board:

<u>Wireless Door Locks</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Funding Options</u>
Frank Knight	\$213,000	Door fabs each door	2024 Cap. Project (\$230,000 MS)

Cady Stanton Middle School	\$215,000 \$229,600	Wireless-not Wi-Fi bridges Can initiate lockdown of doors	SMART Bond (\$89,000) New Cap. Project (SED)
Mynderse	\$327,000	Collection of keys	No public vote needed
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<u>Public Address System</u> Frank Knight	\$255,000	Clock/speaker in each room	Separate new isolated Capital Project (Est. \$1,300,000)
Cady Stanton MS & MA	\$255,000 \$680,600	Large space upgrades Clock/speaker in each Hallways	Need public vote Tech Allocation (\$1.5 million)
District Office	\$ 95,000	Exterior building speakers	
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<u>VOIP PHONES</u>	N/A	Current contract with to provide communications assessment (includes re- commendations on a system. (Physical phones, IP-based)	Technology Reserve

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed thanked everyone who assisted with the early dismissal for the elementary students on the day the temperature was high and to all the faculty and staff who helped set up all the testing sites in air conditioned rooms for testing.

Mynderse Academy graduation is Friday June 28. The ceremony will be held outside (Bracht Field) weather permitting.

BOE President Report

Joseph McNamara thanked everyone for attending the June 12th Board retreat. He received positive feedback from everyone. He and Michael Mirras met with Dr. Reed and created a list of how to move forward for the upcoming school year.

BOE Member Comments

A discussion was had regarding the upcoming July 11 Re-Organizational meeting and the process for electing Board President and Vice-President.

Denise Lorenzetti stated that she attending some end of the year award/recognition ceremonies. She stated that it was nice to see the students' accomplishments.

Anthony Ferrara expressed his thanks to Dr. Reed and all the faculty and staff who made it possible for the students to take their tests in air-condition.

Important Dates to Remember

June 25, 2024-8th Grade Graduation
June 28, 2024-MA Graduation

Consent Agenda
Retirements/Resignations/Terminations

SFAA
None at this time
SFEA
None at this time

SFSSA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following resignation:

Name: Ruth Dowlin
Position: Teacher Aide
Effective date: 06/30/2024

Appointments
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.*)

Name: Kellie Johnson
Position: Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 2)
Certification: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6 (Initial Certification)
Early childhood Education Birth – Gr. 2 (Initial Certification)
Tenure: Elementary Education
Effective date: 07/01/2024
Probation: 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2028

Salary: \$ 45,039 (Step 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
MS Yearbook Co-Advisor	Meghan Barbay	\$321.00

2024 Summer Learning Camp

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following 2024 Summer Learning Camp position(s)

Employee	Position
Vicki Brum	School Nurse (FK)
Deena Clemenson	School Nurse (ECS)
Zoey Adams	Health Aide (FK & ECS)
Katie Spahn	Kindergarten Teacher
Emma Hardee	Grade 3
Natalie Hare	Grade 4
Emily Porretta	Grade 5
Carrie LaVoie	Grade 5
Christine Felice	Teacher Aide (FK)
Mary Porretta	Teacher Aide (CS)
Brianna Jones	Teacher Aide (CS)

Civil Service Appointments

None at this time

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*).

Name: Jeanine Watkins-Steinruck
Position: Substitute Sr. Food Service Helper
Effective date: 01/01/2024 (retro)

Name: Ruth Dowlin
Position: Substitute Teacher Aide
Effective date: 09/01/2024

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
Bailey Crook	Physical Therapist	07/01/2024
Brian Heitmann	Sr. Maintenance Mechanic	07/01/2024
Chip Crummer	Custodian	07/08/2024
Robert Terwilliger	Building Maintenance Mechanic	07/01/2024
Timothy O'Connor	Building Maintenance Mechanic	07/08/2024

CSE Minutes

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

05/07/2024, 05/10/2024, 05/14/2024, 05/15/2024(1), 05/15/2024(2), 05/16/2024, 05/17/2024, 05/20/2024, 05/21/2024, 05/22/2024, 05/23/2024, 05/28/2024, 05/29/2024, 05/30/2024

Gifts and Donations

None at this time

2024-2025 Transportation Request(s)

None at this time

Overnight Field Trip Request(s)

None at this time

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as listed.

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Correction to a July 6, 2023 Appointment

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to correct the July 6, 2023 appointment approved at the Re-Org. meeting as follows:

XII. Consent Agenda

B. Appointments

6. 2023-2024 Seneca Falls Middle School

<i>Position</i>	<i>Employee</i>	<i>Stipend</i>
Yearbook Advisor <i>Co-Advisor</i>	Nicole Spitzer	\$704 \$351

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.
 Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

2023-2024 Reserve Fund Balance Transfers

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the funding of the following Reserve Funds as listed, as authorized by General Municipal Law, from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
 Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Capital Bus Reserve

Up to a maximum of two-million dollars (\$2,000,000) from un- appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Capital Building Reserve

Up to a maximum of three-million dollars (\$3,000,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Capital Technology Equipment and Infrastructure Reserve

Up to a maximum of one-million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Employee Retirement System Reserve

Up to a maximum of two-million dollars (\$2,000,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Teacher Retirement System Reserve

Up to a maximum of one hundred-seventy five thousand dollars (\$175,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Unemployment Reserve

Up to a maximum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2024.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Michael Mirras.
 Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following Contracts, Agreements and MOA's:

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.
 Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Discussion: Anthony Ferrara stated that he would need to refrain from voting on #6-Bond, Schoeneck & King as his brother is a partner in the law firm.

Michael Mirras made a motion that the Board approve #1-5 collectively Hillside Service Agreement, Union Springs CSD Agreement, Geneva CSD Agreement, Auburn Enlarged CSD and County of Seneca Division of Human Services Agreement). Anthony Ferrara seconded the motion.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Anthony Ferrara made a motion to approve the following agreements. Deborah Corsner seconded the motion.

Hillside Service Agreement

Special Education and/or related services
 2024-2025 school year

Union Springs CSD Agreement

Health Services for students (2) attending Union Springs Academy and St. John Paul II (\$369.98)
 2023-2024 school year

Geneva City School District Agreement

Health & Welfare Services for students (3) attending St. Francis/St. Stephens School (\$2,779.23)
 2023-2024 school year

Auburn Enlarged City School District

Health & Welfare Services for students (3) attending Tyburn Academy, St. Albert the Great Academy, and the Montessori School of the Finger Lakes and Creative Minds of Montessori School (\$3,166.44)
 2023-2024 school year

County of Seneca Division of Human Services
Educational Neglect Services
09/01/2024 through 08/31/2025

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC

Michael Mirras made a motion to approve the following agreement. Denise Lorenzetti seconded the motion:

Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC

Contract for Legal Services for 2024-2025 School Year

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 1 Motion carried

Anthony Ferrara abstained from the vote.

District Plan(s)

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following district plan for the 2024-2025 school year:

2024-2025 SFCSD District Comprehensive Improvement Plan

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Anthony Ferrara.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

SFCSD Supervisor's Contract 2024-2028

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to approve the agreement between the Superintendent and the Seneca Falls Central School District Supervisor's Group (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2028) as presented.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session

None at this time

Adjourn

Joseph McNamara asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried