

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 7 p.m.

Public Agenda

November 6, 2023

**** Subject to Change****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Ms. Kathy Whittle, President
 - A. **Moments of Silence**
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** - "I Led the Pledge" - Addison Dindinger, second grade, Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School.
 - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
 - A. **Student/Staff Recognition**
 1. Seneca Valley is pleased to share that 24 students, grades 10-12, were chosen through audition to perform in the Pennsylvania Music Education Association's (PMEA) District 5 Honors Chorus at Westminster College. PMEA District 5 includes Beaver, Butler, Lawrence and Mercer counties. Students were led through this effort under the direction of Bobi-Jean Alexander and Claire Barker, choral directors.
 2. Seneca Valley robotic teams recently earned several awards at the FIRST LEGO League (FLL) Robotics competition held at Ehrman Crest Middle School on Oct. 28. Out of 24 teams that represented schools throughout western Pennsylvania, Seneca Valley's First LEGO Lords team from Haine Elementary earned the first-place elementary school team trophy and the SV Crest Frogs team from Ehrman Crest Middle School earned the sixth-place trophy. *FIRST* LEGO League introduces science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) to children ages 4-16 through fun and exciting hands-on learning. *FIRST* LEGO League participants gain real-world problem-solving experiences through a guided, global robotics program, helping today's students and teachers build a better future together.
 3. We are pleased to announce that Seneca Valley has been named one of only four school districts from across the country as a 2023 Fall "Lighthouse System" by AASA, The School Superintendents Association, the nation's premier organization serving school district leadership across the country. Seneca Valley was chosen based on several indicators including social emotional-cognitive growth, cognitive growth model, technology-enhanced learning and community alignment.

B. **Dates to Remember**

November	
November 6-10	National School Psychology Week
November 6	Release of Report Cards, Grades 7-12
November 7	Election Day
November 9	Saving Lives & Stopping Predators: This is Alicia's Story – Online Safety Parent Presentation – SHS Auditorium – 6:30 p.m.
November 10	Act 80 Day – No School for Students
November 11	Veterans Day
November 11-12	Remote Area Medical – Butler Intermediate High School
November 12	Diwali Begins
November 13	School Board Meeting, Regular Session, IHS Auditorium – 7 p.m.
November 16	End of First Trimester for Students, Grades K-6
November 16	Butler County Area Vocational-Technical School Open House & Program Showcase for students and parents – 6-8 p.m. at BCAVTS
November 17	First Day of PIAA Winter Sports
November 22-27	Thanksgiving Break: District Holiday, No school for students and staff
November 30	Release of Reports of Student Progress, Grades K-6
December 4	School Board Reorganization Meeting, IHS Auditorium, 5 p.m.

C. **All-Star Award Winner, November 2023** – Kate Rawson, Paraprofessional, Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School.

D. **Agency Reports**

1. Vo-Tech - Mr. Fred Peterson, Jr./Mr. Michael Jacobs
2. I.U. IV - Mr. Eric DiTullio

E. **Legislative** - Mr. Eric DiTullio/Ms. Kathy Whittle

F. **Financial Reports**

1. Operations
2. Senior High Activities
3. Intermediate High Activities
4. Middle School Activities
5. Athletics
6. Food Service
7. Tax Collections
8. Capital Projects Funds

3. **ACTION AGENDA**

A. **Public Comment**

B. **Student Expulsion** – Approve student expulsion #2023-24-06.

- C. **Student Adjudications** – Approve the following student adjudications:
 - 1. #2023-24-07
 - 2. #2023-24-08

 - D. **Paraprofessional Incentive Program** – Approve a paraprofessional incentive program to recognize our paraprofessional staff from November 7, 2023, through the last day of the 2023-24 school year. The incentives are an effort to retain paraprofessionals and promote paraprofessional work for new applicants.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- A. **Work Session** – October 2, 2023
 - B. **Action Meeting** – October 9, 2023
5. **TREASURER’S REPORT**
6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS**
Grand Total: \$6,234,040.68
7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS**
Grand Total: \$1,075,521.02
8. **ADMINISTRATION**
- A. **Board Policies** -
 - 1. Approve board policy 122, Extracurricular Activities, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 2. Approve board policy 122.1, Club Sports, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 3. Approve board policy 123, Interscholastic Athletics, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 4. Approve board policy 140.1, Participation of Charter School Students in Extracurricular Activities, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 5. Approve board policy 204.2, Extracurricular Attendance Requirements, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 6. Approve board policy 216.1, Supplemental Discipline Records, second, final reading.
 - 7. Approve board policy 218, Student Discipline, revised, first reading.
 - 8. Approve board policy 702, Revenue Enhancement/Gifts to Schools/Facilities Naming Rights, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 9. Approve board policy 707, Use of School Facilities, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 10. Approve board policy 711, Athletics Facilities Advertising, revised, pending solicitor review, first reading.
 - 11. Approve board policy 819.1, Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response, revised, first reading.

9. **INSTRUCTION**

A. **Clubs** – Approve the following clubs:

1. **FBLA Club (Future Business Leaders of America)** - Approve the establishment of a Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Club at no cost to the District, and under the supervision of volunteer sponsors Ms. Maria Brooks, Ms. Erin Schollaert, and Ms. Kelly Skwartz, effective for the 2023-24 school year.
2. **SHOUT Club (Social Handprints Overcoming Unjust Treatment)** - Approve the establishment of a Social Handprints Overcoming Unjust Treatment (SHOUT) Club at no cost to the District, and under the supervision of volunteer sponsors Mr. Ashley Porter and Ms. Melissa Bonicky, effective for the 2023-24 school year.
3. **World Languages Outreach Community Club** - Approve the establishment of a World Languages Outreach Community Club at no cost to the District, and under the supervision of volunteer sponsor Mrs. Christina Hollowood, effective for the 2023-24 school year.

B. **Conferences** – Approve conference requests.

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCE**

A. **December Bills** – Authorize administration to pay December bills.

B. **Supplies and Equipment Bids** – Authorize administration to seek bids for supplies and equipment for the 2024-2025 school year.

C. **Joint Purchasing Agreement MIU IV** – Approve the Joint Purchasing Agreement with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV for 2024-2025.

D. **Budget Transfers** – Approve budget transfers.

E. **Budget Resolution** – Approve the budget resolution indicating that the district will not raise the rate of any tax for the supports of its public schools for the 2024-25 fiscal year by more than 5.3%, which is the Act 1 index for the district as established by the Department of Education.

F. **Bank Account Authorization** – Authorize administration to open an account at the Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund for Food Service.

11. **PERSONNEL** – Approve resignations, appointments, leaves, retirement, and affiliation agreement.

12. **LETTERS SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**

- a. Daniel Weimer
- b. Tisha Apel
- c. Martin Gregorio

13. **ADJOURNMENT**