

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD ACTION MEETING ZOOM

October 12, 2021

**** Subject to Change****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Eric DiTullio, President
 - A. **Moment of Silence** - In memory of Dr. Lyle Miller, former Seneca Valley School Board Member and School Board President.
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** - "I Led the Pledge" - Nolan Buxton, first grade at Evans City Elementary School <https://svtube.svsd.net/play?id=u3d622yp2r>



- C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
 - A. **Dates to Remember** - Ms. Andreassi

October	National Principals Month and Breast Cancer Awareness Month
October 16	SHS PSAT Testing
October 22	SVAOC Cyber - End of First Nine Weeks, Grades 7-12
October 22 & 29	District-Wide Pink Out Days
October 25-29	Red Ribbon Week
October 27	SV Grades 7-12 End of First Nine Weeks

- B. **Student/Staff Recognition** - Ms. Andreassi
 1. Rachel Kremmel was crowned Seneca Valley Homecoming Queen and Cooper Sainiak was named SV Homecoming King during the District's pregame festivities at NexTier Stadium on Friday, Oct. 8. Rachel is the daughter of Bruce and Denise Kremmel of Cranberry Township. Cooper is the son of Keith and Kimberly Sainiak of Cranberry Township. The homecoming football game at NexTier Stadium on Friday evening went into

double overtime, but the Raiders came out with the win against Canon McMillan, 24-17.

2. Special Olympics – Nick Logero, senior high school student, and Taylor Wagstaff, SV Class of 2021, were recently named winners of the 2021 Leadership Award by Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools (UCS). These awards were given at the Annual UCS Leadership Conference held virtually over the weekend. The duo received the award for their efforts and involvement during their time at Seneca Valley. Specifically, Taylor organized and facilitated our first Polar Plunge raising over \$4,000 for Special Olympics, and Nick was an active member of the team. The Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools® builds on Special Olympics’ values, principles, practices, experiences and impacts to shape a generation that welcomes everyone. Nick and Taylor represent the importance - and the impact - of inclusion.

C. **Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Safe Driver Awards**

Pennsylvania School Bus Association recently announced that five Seneca Valley drivers were selected for the 2020-21 PSBA Safe Driver Awards. Each driver was awarded for providing service that goes above and beyond and having at least 20 consecutive years of bus driving without accidents. ABC Transit drivers Herb Fletcher, Kathy Richards, Linda Scheidemantle, Pam Cosky and the late Ray Albert were recently selected for the award.

D. **Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Honor Roll** - PSBA's Honor Roll

of School Board Service program honors school board directors for long-term service and dedication to their local districts and communities. For more than 35 years, PSBA has been recognizing the contributions of directors with dedicated long-term service, beginning at year eight. PSBA recently notified us and shared certificates to the following Seneca Valley School Board Members for their effort and commitment to public education and students.

1. Mr. Jeffrey Widdowson - 16 years
2. Mr. Eric DiTullio - 12 years
3. Mr. James Nickel - 12 years
4. Ms. Kathy Whittle - 8 years
5. Mr. Timothy Hester - 8 years
6. Mr. Frederick Peterson - 8 years

E. **COVID-19 Update** - Dr. Vitale

F. **Financial Reports**

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

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Mr. Jim Nickel
 - A. **Work Session** - September 13, 2021
 - B. **Regular Meeting** - September 20, 2021
5. **TREASURER’S REPORT** - Ms. Burtner
6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS** - Ms. Burtner
Grand Total: \$1,622,900.91
7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS** - Ms. Burtner
Grand Total: \$4,473,080.82
8. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION** - Mr. Jim Nickel
 - A. **Conference Requests** - Approve the conference requests.
 - B. **Transportation Contracts** - Approve the following transportation contracts.
 1. One family to transport their child to-and-from Ryan Gloyer Middle School at a cost of \$9.63 per day during the 2021-22 school year.
 2. One family to transport their child to-and-from Ryan Gloyer Middle School at a cost of \$23.30 per day during the 2021-22 school year.
 - C. **Student Waiver** - Approve the student adjudication waiver. Dr. McKinley
9. **INSTRUCTION** - Ms. Susan Harrison
 - A. **Co-Ed Cricket Club** - Approve the establishment of the Co-Ed Cricket Club at no cost to the District and under the supervision of volunteer sponsor Mr. David Reichard.
 - B. **Slippery Rock University (SRU) Transition Achievement Program** - Approve the agreement for the SRU Transition Achievement Program with SRU to provide transition services for the 2021-22 school year. Dr. Roberts
 - C. **BC3 College Within High School (CWHS) Partnership Agreement** - Approve the CWHS Partnership Agreement between Seneca Valley School District and Butler County Community College from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022. Dr. Roberts
 - D. **Grant Disbursements** - Grant permission to apply for and disburse, if approved, the following grants:
 1. First Tech Challenge Grant funded by the Arconic Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 to fund the cost of equipment, fees and supplies related to the 2021-22 First Tech Challenge. Ms. Annie Mersing and Mr. Steve Fortunato
 2. Homeless Children and Youth Grant in the amount of \$62,248 funded by the United States Department of Education to support students who are experiencing homelessness to meet their physical and mental health needs. Dr. Jeff Roberts

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCE ACTION** - Mr. Mike Jacobs
 - A. **Bond Issue** - Approve the appointment of PNC Capital Markets, LLC, as investment banker and Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP, as bond counsel related to both outstanding and anticipated debt financings in connection with the school district's proposed and developing plans for capital improvements and facilities.
11. **PERSONNEL ACTION** - Mr. Jeff Widdowson - Approve appointments, addendum, leaves, retirement, and memorandum of understanding.
12. **LETTERS SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD** - Ms. Andreassi
 - Ms. Erin McClymonds
 - Ms. Stephanie Lane
 - Ms. Laura Donaldson
 - Ms. Jennifer Shattahi
 - Mr. John Ciganik
 - Ms. Urmi Batavia
 - Mr. Mike Sypien
 - Ms. Erin Hannas
13. **ADJOURNMENT**