

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

I H S Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC AGENDA

June 7, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Eric DiTullio – President
 - A. **Moment of Silence** – In memory of the lives lost due to COVID-19, and in reflection of those who are mourning loved ones, recovering from the illness or have been negatively impacted during this time.
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
 - A. **Student/Staff Recognition** – Ms. Linda Andreassi
 1. The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC®) recently announced that Seneca Valley Seniors David Choi, Zachary Garcia and Ananya Rao are National Merit \$2,500 Scholarship winners. The Merit Scholar designees were chosen from a talent pool of some 16,000 outstanding Finalists in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program. National Merit Scholarship winners are the finalists in each state judged to have the strongest combination of accomplishments, skills, and potential for success in rigorous college studies.
 2. Seneca Valley Juniors Veronica Pimenova and Daniel Spear were recently recognized by the National Center for Women and Information Technology (NCWIT) as part of their Awards for Aspirations in Computing. Veronica was selected as a 2021 Central and Western Pennsylvania Affiliate Winner and Daniel was chosen as a 2021 Central and Western Pennsylvania Affiliate Honorable Mention recipient. Awardees are chosen for their aptitude and interest in IT and computing, solid leadership ability, excellent academic history, and plans for post-secondary education.
 - B. **Dates to Remember** – Ms. Andreassi

June 8	Release of Final Report Cards/Reports of Student Progress
June 14	SV Summer School begins
June 14	School Board Regular Meeting
June 14	Flag Day

June 20	Father's Day
June 25	Seneca Valley Picnic Day at Kennywood Park
July 4	Independence Day
August 2	School Board Work Session Meeting
August 5	SV Foundation's Gift of Hope Golf Classic - Cranberry Highlands Golf Course
August 9	School Board Regular Meeting

C. **Drug Testing Results Annual Report** – Dr. Matthew McKinley

D. **Agency Reports**

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

E. **Legislative** – Mr. Eric DiTullio/Mr. Jim Nickel

F. **Financial Reports**

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

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

4. **ACTION ITEMS** – Mr. Eric DiTullio

A. **Labor Contract** – Approve the labor contract between the Seneca Valley Educational Support Personnel (SVESP) and Seneca Valley School District effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026.

B. **Minutes** – Approve the following meeting minutes:

1. Work Session – May 3, 2021
2. Action Meeting – May 10, 2021

5. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – Ms. Lynn Burtner

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS** – Ms. Burtner
Grand Total \$3,335,387.61

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS** – Ms. Burtner
Grand Total \$2,596,241.52

8. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION** – Mr. Jim Nickel

A. **Jason G. Wehrle Memorial** – Approve the Silver Linings Project proposed by the Seneca Valley Foundation (SVF) to memorialize the late Mr. Jason G. Wehrle, SVF Trustee and former SV School Board Director. A repeated sentiment of Mr. Wehrle

was that he always looked for the good in situations – the silver lining. The project will fund the installation of three silver benches to line the courtyard of the Senior High School so that students, staff and the community can be reminded of the positive outlook Mr. Wehrle so firmly believed. The project will be at no cost to the district.

- B. **Head Start Agreement** – Approve the renewal lease agreements with Butler County Children’s Center, Inc. DBA Early Learning Connections for the operation of a Head Start program at Rowan Elementary for the 2021-22 school year. – Dr. McCarty and Ms. Burtner
- C. **PreK Counts Agreement** – Approve the lease agreement with Butler County Children’s Center, Inc. DBA Early Learning Connections for the operation of a PreK Counts program at Connoquenessing Valley Elementary for the 2021-22 school year. Dr. McCarty
- D. **PSBA Voting Delegate** – Appoint Mr. Eric DiTullio as voting delegate for PSBA Delegate Assembly meeting on Saturday, October 23, 2021.

9. **INSTRUCTION ACTION** – Ms. Sue Harrison

- A. **2021 Graduates** – Approve the list of Seneca Valley graduates for 2021.
- B. **Conference** - Approve conference.
- C. **Club Status** – Approve club status for the Bass Fishing Club at no cost to the District and under the supervision of Mr. Matt Durst, RGMS teacher.
- D. **Center for Community Resources Agreement** – Approve the Student Assistance Program agreement for the 2021-22 fiscal year with Butler County Human Services Center for Community Resources (CCR). – Dr. Roberts
- E. **Pittsburgh Art Region Agreement** – Approve the affiliate partner agreement with Young Artists & Writers, Inc. for administration of a Scholastic Art & Writing Awards regional program for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Dr. McKinley
- F. **DePaul School for Hearing and Speech Agreement** - Approve the DePaul School for Hearing and Speech agreement for professional services for the 2021-22 school year. – Dr. Roberts and Mr. Miller
- G. **Grants**
 - 1. Grant permission to apply for and disburse, if approved, the Isabelle P. Rucker Fund and NCTM grant in the amount of \$3,000 for enhancing student mathematics learning through the use of tools and technology. – Dr. Palano
 - 2. Accept the Highmark Foundation grant in the amount of \$7,500 for Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School (CVE) to be used towards health and wellness initiatives that promote a positive school climate.

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCES ACTION** – Mr. Mike Jacobs

- A. **Budget Transfers** – Approve budget transfers.
- B. **Act 1 Resolution** – Approve the 2021-22 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution per Act 1, Taxpayer Relief Act.
- C. **Act 511 Taxes** – Approve re-enactment of the following Act 511 taxes:
 - 1. Flat Rate Occupation Tax – \$10
 - 2. Earned Income Tax – 1%
 - 3. Real Estate Transfer Tax – 1%
- D. **Summer Actions** – Authorize the administration to approve the following:
 - 1. Year-end budget transfers
 - 2. Outreach Partnership of Technology (OPT) agreements
 - 3. June and July bills
- E. **2021-22 Budget** – Adopt the annual budget for 2021-22 in the amount of \$145,712,582 with a 2.56 mill (2%) millage increase.
- F. **Liability Insurance** – Approve the sanction of the following groups to work on behalf of the Seneca Valley School District and intention to provide that the District’s liability insurance covers these groups for the 2021-22 school year: PTA, PTO, SV Boys’ Lacrosse, SV Indoor Track and Field, SV Ice Hockey, SV Inline Hockey, SV Slow Pitch Softball, SV Bowling, SV Competitive Cheer, SV Ultimate Frisbee, JROTC, After Prom Committee, Booster Groups, Seneca Valley Foundation, and all Board approved student clubs.
- G. **Booster Group Resolution** – Approve the Booster Group Recognition resolution for the 2021-22 school year.
- H. **Ticket Prices** – Approve athletic ticket prices for the 2021-22 school year as follows: football reserved seating \$8.00/entry; football pre-sale adult general admission \$6.00/entry; football pre-sale student general admission \$4.00/entry; all football tickets at the gate \$6.00/entry; all other sports adult general admission \$5.00/entry; all other sports student general admission \$3.00/entry.
- I. **Facilities Rental Fees** – Approve the facilities rental fees for the 2021-22 fiscal year.
- J. **Insurance Premiums** – Approve insurance premiums for 2021-22 provided by First National Insurance Agency.
- K. **Equipment Disposal** – Approve disposal or donation of the following:
 - 1. Two obsolete commercial pizza ovens
 - 2. Swim equipment
 - 3. Swim timing equipment
- L. **Change Orders** – Approve the construction change orders for Ehrman Crest Elementary/Middle School.

11. **PERSONNEL ACTION** – Mr. Jeff Widdowson – Approve resignations, appointments, leaves, contract renewal, stipend, retirement, and memorandum of understanding.

12. **COMMUNICATION**

A. **Masks**

1. Ms. Joy Rostan
2. Ms. Carroll Trull
3. Ms. Stephanie Lane
4. Mr. Ty Bintrim
5. Ms. Erin McClymonds

B. **Note of Thanks** – Ms. Debbie Schettler

C. **Critical Race Theory**

1. Mr. Bill Schmidtke
2. Ms. Lindsey Douglass

D. **Raider Mascot**

1. Mr. Zach Donaldson
2. Ms. Claire McCafferty

E. **Tour of New Highmark Facility in Zelenople** - Ms. Courtney Smetanka

13. **ADJOURNMENT**