

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

In Person - Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC AGENDA

November 2, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. James Nickel, President
 - A. **Moment of Silence**
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – “I Led the Pledge” – Demaurii Jackson, Grade 2, Evans City Elementary School
 - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

- A. **Student/Staff Recognition** – Ms. Linda Andreassi – Seneca Valley Seniors Ty Brinkley, Vincent Horvath, Jacklyn Ko, Katie Monahan, Kaitlyn Moore, Ashleigh Patterson and Brenna Wrubel have been named Commended Students in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, was presented by the principal Mr. Robert Ceh to these scholastically talented seniors. Although they will not continue in the 2021 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2021 competition.
- B. **Dates to Remember** – Ms. Andreassi

November 3	Election Day
November 7	SHS SAT Testing, 7:30 a.m. (115 students registered)
November 9	Report of Student Progress, Grades 7-12
November 9	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m. in/on IHS Auditorium/Zoom
November 11	Veterans Day
November 13	SVAOC End of First Trimester, Grades K-6
November 18	End of First Trimester, Grades K-6
November 20	First Day of All PIAA Winter Sports
November 25 – November 30	Thanksgiving Break: District Holiday, No school for students and staff
December 7	School Board Reorganization Meeting, 5:00 p.m., IHS Auditorium

- C. **New Aquatics Center Public Artwork** – Presentation by Amanda Mallin, Asst. Principal SHS; Aaron Shaffer, Art Teacher IHS; Jason Woolslare, Art Teacher SHS; and senior students, Simren Jayaraman and Brian Whitney.

D. **Student Enrollment Data – October 1, 2020** – Dr. Vitale

E. **Agency Reports**

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

F. **Legislative** – Mr. Peterson

G. **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

H. **COVID-19 Update** – Dr. Vitale

3. **ACTION AGENDA**

A. **Public Comment**

B. **Personnel Action** – Approve resignation, appointments, leaves and retirement.

C. **Transportation Contracts** – Approve the following transportation contracts for the 2020-21 school year.

1. Two families to transport their children to D.T. Watson
2. One family to transport their child to Butler Catholic

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Nickel

A. **Work Session** – October 5, 2020

B. **Regular Meeting** – October 12, 2020

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

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS** – Ms. Burtner

Grand Total: \$1,477,617.35

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS** – Ms. Burtner

Grand Total: \$2,481,124.24

8. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION** – Mr. DiTullio

A. **Board Policies** – Approve the following board policies:

1. Policy 902 – Publications Program, revised, first reading – Ms. Andreassi

2. Policy 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings, revised, first reading – Ms. Andreassi
3. Policy 907 – School Visitors, revised, first reading – Ms. Andreassi

Policies to be retired:

4. Policy 248 – Sexual Harassment Students, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Kyra Bobak
5. Policy 348 – Sexual Harassment Administrative Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak
6. Policy 448 – Sexual Harassment Professional Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak
7. Policy 548 – Sexual Harassment Classified Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak
8. Policy 248.1 – Unlawful Harassment Students, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Kyra Bobak
9. Policy 348.1 – Unlawful Harassment Administrative Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak
10. Policy 448.1 – Unlawful Harassment Professional Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak
11. Policy 548.1 – Unlawful Harassment Classified Employees, retire, first and final reading – Ms. Bobak

B. **Resolution to Sue JUUL Labs, Inc.** – Approve the commencement of a civil suit, as part of a multidistrict litigation, against Juul Labs, Inc. and other distributors and marketers of vaping products arising from the design, marketing and advertising of vaping products targeting minors and, for such purpose, approve the contingent fee agreement with Frantz Law Group, APLC, Dillon McCandless King Coulter & Graham, LLP and Tucker Arensberg, P.C.

C. **Vo-Tech JOC Representatives and Alternate** – Appoint Mr. Frederick Peterson, Jr. and Mr. Michael Jacobs as Butler County Area Vocational-Technical School Joint Operating Committee (BCAVTS JOC) representatives and Mr. James Nickel as BCAVTS JOC alternate.

D. **Agreement for Slippery Rock Transition Achievement Program** – Approve the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education agreement for Slippery Rock Transition Achievement Program.

9. **INSTRUCTION** – Ms. Susan Harrison

A. **Conferences** – Approve conferences.

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

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 2021-22 school year.

- C. **Joint Purchasing Agreement MIU IV** – Approve the Joint Purchasing Agreement with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV for 2021.
 - D. **Budget Transfers** – Approve budget transfers.
 - E. **Artificial Turf Contract Award** – Approve FieldTurf USA, Inc. through Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) vendor agreement for the installation of artificial turf at the upper middle school practice field in the amount of \$795,065.22. Solicitor has reviewed and approved the final agreement.
11. **PERSONNEL ACTION** – Mr. Jeff Widdowson – (Executive Session)
12. **COMMUNICATION**
- A. School closure recommendations
 1. Ms. Karli Szweda
 - B. Communication of COVID information
 1. Ms. Susan Weber
 - C. Notes of thanks
 1. Mr. John Saras
 2. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dieteman
 3. Ms. Jodie Freedman
 4. Ms. Mary Beth Keally
 5. Ms. Cori Dunn
 6. Ms. Shannon Tharnish
 - D. Social distancing/class size concerns
 1. Mr. and Mrs. Sean Pieszak
 2. Ms. Kelly Pyle
 3. Ms. Marilyn Fleishman
 4. Ms. Rachel Petelin
 5. Dr. Peter Sylves
 6. Ms. Shannon Petsch
 7. Ms. Kristen Sansonetti
 - E. Concerns about cleaners and false positives – Ms. Stephanie Lane
 - F. Dashboard tracker for SV website
 1. Ms. Kari Zimmer
 2. Ms. Laura Krumenacker
 - G. Support of five day, in-person instruction – Ms. Megan Rippin
 - H. Concern about five day, in-person instruction
 1. Ms. Jennifer Forsyth
 2. Ms. Catherine Vandermer

- I. School closures – Ms. Julie Bloom
- J. Suggestions for limiting COVID exposures – Mr. Bertram Forsyth
- K. Ms. Barbara Hutchinson, President Scenic Ridge – Bus stop
- L. Concern with remote learning – Ms. Sarah Cordosi
- M. Support for in person learning – Mr. Dave Steed
- N. Cyber physical education concerns – Ms. Faith Solomon

13. **ADJOURNMENT**