

# Seneca Valley School District



## SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium – 7:00 p.m.

### Minutes

**September 12, 2022**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mr. James Nickel, President, called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m.
  - A. **Moment of Silence** – The meeting was opened with a moment of silence in memory of September 11, 2001.
  - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Devin (Dj) Kirkland, Jr., a first grader at Haine Elementary School continued the board initiative, "I Led the Pledge" by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - C. **Roll Call** by Ms. Annie Mersing, Acting School Board Secretary, showed the following members in attendance: Ms. Leslie Bredl, Mr. Eric DiTullio, Mr. Mike Jacobs, Mr. James Nickel, Mr. Frederick Peterson, Ms. Susan Harrison, Mr. Tim Hester, Ms. Kathy Whittle and Mr. Jeffrey Widdowson.

### 2. INFORMATION REPORTS

- A. **Dates to Remember** – Ms. Linda Andreassi announced the following dates to remember:

September 19	Regular School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
September 20	Information Technology (IT) Professionals Day
September 22	Autumn Begins
September 24	Community Tours – Ehrman Crest Elem/MS – 10 a.m. – Noon
September 25	Rosh Hashanah Begins

- B. **All-Star Club Winners** – Ms. Madeline Nowak and Ms. Beth Craig, Paraprofessionals at Ehrman Crest Elementary/Middle School, were honored as September's SV All-Star Award Winners for their heroic efforts in saving the life of a choking student. Several members of the board, as well as Dr. Tracy Vitale, offered kudos for their swift action.
- C. **Agency Reports**
  1. Vo-Tech - Mr. Fred Peterson reported the Joint Operating Committee met regarding several initiatives within the Vo-Tech including a state police report on safety and the MAPS program. He further relayed that the cooperative agreement with Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Adult Cohort Program was approved.
  2. I.U. IV - Mr. Eric DiTullio reported the Midwestern I.U.IV is working to expand services for younger aged children and is also working to improve the fingerprint stations for FBI clearances.
  3. WPIAL Updates - Mr. Tim Hester had nothing to report regarding WPIAL Updates.

4. Seneca Valley Foundation (SVF) - Ms. Annie Mersing, SVF Development Director, reported a new mini-grant program has been created to relieve the financial burden for students in Vo-Tech programs in the amount of \$5,000 for this school year. The SVF will reimburse eligible students for the cost of materials and supplies required by their particular program.

D. **Legislative** – No legislative updates were reported.

E. **Financial Reports**

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

3. **ACTION AGENDA**

A. **Public Comment** – Public comment was heard by Kati Setzenfand.

B. **Personnel Action** – Personnel items were discussed in executive session held prior to this meeting.

1. **Resignations** - *Administrator* – Dr. Matthew Delp; *Professional* – Amanda Shaheen; *Classified* - Sarah Wolfson, Carrie Kerr, Ashley Cleaver; *Supplemental* – Alex Krajniak, Audrey Buban.
2. **Appointments** - *Professional* – Ashley Nardone, Jessica Scerbo, Elizabeth Lahm; *Professional Substitutes* – Cory Bailey, Dana Barclay, Don Barclay, Madeline Beck, Diane Becker, Carlen Blackstone, Camryn Camp, Lisa Collinger, Paul Dippolito, Jennifer Erin, Bethany Gear, Jocelyn Gerwig, Karen Helmecci, Brittany Johnson, Laura Kellar, Melissa Kvasager, Susan Leake, Jenna Livingston, Kristy Long, Brittany Lucas, Brenda McVicker, Stephen Miller, Kim Nagel, Alisha Nist, Miranda Reininger, Nick Sasala, Marybeth Straugh, Anissa Tekelenburg, Frederick Wood, Susan Werner, Alexandra Goldbach, Taylor Marsinetti, Owen Nash; *Classified* - Kimberly Maravich, Kristi Carrico, Shawna Lemke, Carla Rearick, Arron Jones, Kenneth Luna, Nickolas Logero, Melissa Powell, Elizabeth McCollough, Nila Lynch, Maria Madeja, Sharon Thornton, Loretta McCafferty, Jamie Marcotte, Lauren Hogue, Becky Frey, Katelyn Karpinski, Heidi Menzl, Jocelyn Gerwig, Jenny Wright, Kevin Holman, Carol Jamison, Amanda Anke; *Classified Substitutes* – Jennifer Keefer, Tara Krepp, Kristie Long, Gabrielle Nedzel, Calynn Rosenbaum, Meredith Warrington, Dillon Wetzel; *Internship* – Brooke Lyczek; *Supplementals* – Rosa Salgado, Dana Fisher, Megan Kelly, Albert Lerini, Ashley Coulter, Maria Brooks, Maria Brooks, Kimberly Blakley, Jenifer McMurray, Steven Miller, Brian Carson, Madelyn Cornman, Herbert McCracken, Todd Winter
3. **Contracted Service** – Darlene Carmack
4. **Contract Renewal** – Randy Miller

5. **Leaves - Administrator** – Nannette Farmar; **Psychologist** – Dr. Latitia Lattanzio-Paros; **Professional** - Rachel Johnson, Jenny Caputo, Carolyn Bromberg, Tabitha Waltman, Teresa Coleman, Hannah Hendershot, Stacey Richard, Philip Sassaman; **Classified** – Daniel Magill.
6. **Stipend** – Dr. Erin Wilcher
7. **Retirements - Professional** – Laura Fox; **Classified** - Valarie Wearing, Sandra Millett, Colleen Kamarchik

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. **Work Session** - August 1, 2022
- B. **Action Meeting** - August 8, 2022

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS**

Grand Total: \$4,095,625.24

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS**

Grand Total: \$2,358,699.60

8. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION**

- A. **Board Policies** - Approve the following board policies:
  1. Policy 212 – Reporting Student Progress, revised, second reading.
  2. Policy 800 – Records Management, revised, first reading.
  3. Policy 908 – Title I Parent and Family Engagement, first and final reading, no revisions, annual update per federal mandate.
- B. **Federal Program Allocation Spending Plan** - Acknowledge the federal program allocation spending plan for the 2022-23 school year.
- C. **School Bus Drivers** - Approve the list of new bus drivers for ABC Transit and Valley Lines.

9. **INSTRUCTION ACTION**

- A. **Non-Public Title I Services Agreement** - Approve the Third Party Letter of Agreement for Nonpublic Title I Services with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV for the 2022-23 school year.
- B. **Conferences** - Approve conference requests.
- C. **College in High School Agreement** - Approve the College in High School Enrollment Agreement between Robert Morris University and Seneca Valley School District effective August 1, 2022.

Ms. Bredl inquired as to how many total College-in-High School courses are offered. Dr. Jeff Roberts, Director of Student Services, confirmed that there are 34 courses offered from several regional universities.

- D. **Health and Safety Plan** - Approve the revised 2022-23 Seneca Valley Health and Safety Plan.

- E. **SRU Transition Achievement Program Agreement** - Approve the agreement for the SRU Transition Achievement Program with Slippery Rock University to provide transition services for the 2022-23 school year.
- F. **Student Trip** - Acknowledge the Orchestra trip to Nashville, TN on March 29 – April 2, 2023 under the supervision of Sarah Miller. Students will miss two days of school, and the trip is at no cost to the district.

Mr. DiTullio relayed it is great to see the orchestra now traveling on trips similar to the band and chorus.

- 10. **BUSINESS/FINANCES ACTION** - Award the following four (4) Prime Contracts for the construction of the New Restroom/Locker Room Facility on the Secondary Campus:
  - A. **General Construction (GC)** Bid to Milcam, Inc. in the amount of \$3,655,500.
  - B. **HVAC Construction (HC)** Bid to D & G Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$819,000.
  - C. **Plumbing Construction (PC)** Bid to Enders Plumbing & Heating Co. in the amount of \$815,000.
  - D. **Electrical Construction (EC)** Bid to Merit Electrical Group, Inc. in the amount of \$836,900.

Mr. DiTullio offered his kudos to Mr. Randy Miller, Director of Buildings and Grounds, for the design and plans to build the new restroom/locker room.

- 11. **PERSONNEL ACTION** (Executive Session)
- 12. **COMMUNICATION**

The following communications were received after posting the August 8, 2022 public agenda:

- A. Sonia Jaiswal
- B. Bridget Miller
- C. J. Victor Conrad
- D. Erin McClymonds
- E. Deborah Wolf-Mailey
- F. Stephanie Lane
- G. Sara Woolf
- H. Dixie Yakin
- I. Lindsey Baker
- J. Nicole Boone
- K. Meghan Sweeney
- L. Annabella Barnes
- M. Melissa Leoni

- 13. **ADJOURNMENT** - With nothing further to come before the Board, Mr. DiTullio motioned, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. The motion carried on a voice vote with those present voting in the affirmative.

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – An executive session was held prior to this meeting to discuss personnel items.

Mr. James Nickel, President



Ms. Annie Mersing, Acting School Board Secretary