

Deborah Corsner, Anthony Ferrara, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Erica Sinicropi and Heather Zellers
BOE Absent

Joseph McNamara, Cara Lajewski, and Michael Mirras
Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni, and Deena Swenson

Denise Lorenzetti called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Hearings

2024-2025 Seneca Falls Central School District Code of Conduct

Policy 5300 –Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is a series of policies:

- 5300.05 Introduction
- 5300.10 Definitions
- 5300.15 Student Rights and Responsibilities
- 5300.20 Essential Partners
- 5300.25 Student Dress Code
- 5300.30 Prohibited Student Conduct
- 5300.35 Reporting Violations
- 5300.40 Disciplinary Penalties, Procedures and Referrals
- 5300.45 Alternative Instruction
- 5300.50 Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- 5300.55 Corporal Punishment
- 5300.60 Student Searches and Interrogations
- 5300.65 Visitors to the Schools
- 5300.70 Public Conduct on School Property
- 5300.75 Dissemination and Review

The district received an email with comment/questions. Dr. Reed will bring the questions to the next Policy Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 10.

2024-2025 Seneca Falls Central School District Safety Plan
 (Immediately following the District Code of Conduct public hearing)

Approval of Agenda

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the agenda with addendum as listed.

ADD under XI. Consent Agenda

XI. Consent Agenda

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

1. SFEA-Resignations

a. Name: Jennifer Cook
 Position: Teaching Assistant
 Effective: 08/16/2022

b. Name: Christina Carlino
 Position: Teaching Assistant
 Effective: 08/20/2024

2. SFSSA-Resignation

b. Name: Danielle Harko
 Position: School Bus Monitor
 Effective: 08/13/2024

B. Appointments

2. 2024-2025 Coaching

Addendum to 2024-2025 Coaching

Position	Employee	Stipend	Certification
SOCCKER			
Heidi Young	Boys Soccer-NON- Paid Assistant	n/a	TCL 1 st Renewal Pending
CROSS COUNTRY			
Hunter Brignall	Modified Cross Country Coach	\$2,234.11	TCL 1 st Renewal Pending

3. Civil Service Appointments

e. Name: Michelle Quigley
 Position: School Bus Driver
 Effective: 08/23/2024
 Probationary Period: 08/23/2024 through 08/22/2025
 Hours/day: 5.0
 Hourly Rate: \$23.69 (Option B)

4. Substitute Appointments

a. Name: Grace Harter
 Position: Reading Teacher-Long Term Substitute (Level I)
 NYS Certification: Pending

Effective: 08/23/2024

Salary: \$44,200 (Step I)

ADD under XII. Old Business

A. Correction-2024-2025 Tax Rates

Corrected 2024-2025 Tax Rates:

	<u>School Rate</u>	<u>Revision</u>
Seneca Falls	\$17.902540	\$17.903405
Fayette	\$27.125060	\$27.126371
Tyre	\$24.864651	\$24.865854

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Heather Zellers.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board Minutes

Aug 8, 2024

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education minutes dated August 8, 2024

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

None at this time

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

None at this time

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

None at this time

Public Comment

The Seneca Falls Board of Education welcomes public comment. Speakers may comment on matters related to agenda items specifically or district matters generally. No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than three (3) minutes. Public comments will be limited to thirty (30) minutes. All speakers and observers are to conduct themselves in a civil manner. Obscene language, defamatory statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial, religious, or other forms of prejudice will not be tolerated. In the unlikely event the meeting becomes unruly, the board will recess the meeting and return once order has been restored.

Persons addressing the Board of Education during public comment should not expect to engage in discussion with the Board. The Board will not permit any comments involving specific individual personnel or students.

Questions and comments from the public concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be referred to the Superintendent. Persons wishing to have matters included on the agenda shall contact the Superintendent in accordance with Policy 2342, Agenda Preparation.

Committee Reports

Policy Committee

Erica Sinicropi reported on the following:

- First readings for six policy/regulations.
- Policy 1120: School District Records - updated per requirements of Ed Law 2D and PII. This updated also affected Policy 5500 (Student Records), Policy 5550-Student Privacy, and Regulations 1120R, 5500R, and 8635R - Information and Data Privacy, Security, Breach and Notification
- Policy 5550-Student Privacy required an edit: All requests to inspect third party surveys must be made to the Building Principal (insert time frame, such as within X days after the notice was sent, or within X days prior to the date of the survey). Defer to Dr. Reed or the building principals as to what a reasonable amount of time would be, as they are aware of the current time between the notice and the survey, as well as required planning.
- Policy 4772: Graduation Ceremonies reflects the update for Special Education and related services to be extended until the student's 22nd birthday, regardless of where that falls within the school year. The previous requirement was to provide services through the school year in which the student turns 21. This change also affects Policy 4773: Diploma and Credential Options.
- The first and only reading tonight will be Policy 5300-Code of Conduct. Updates regarding staffing and minor corrections as follows:
 - Policy 5300.25-Remove (K-8 only). The policy applies to all students.
 - Policy 5300.20-Update DASA Coordinators information.
- Cell phones are currently under discussion within the region and will be brought to the policy committee in the next couple of months.
- Next meeting scheduled for September 10.

Anthony Ferrara asked about Policy 4772 and who could give out diplomas at graduation. Dr. Reed stated that the wording could be changed to administrators. They could discuss it at the next committee meeting.

Facilities Committee

Anthony Ferrara reported on the following:

- The Committee met on August 6 & 13, 2024.
- Discussion centered on IT. Some items discussed were: where will the ports be placed; is it the right cabling; is there enough wiring/ports to meet requirements and needs; what could be the potential issues with door swipes; potential issues with batteries.

Student Board Member (Ex Officio)-Searah Reardon

Warrants 08/01/2024-08/30/2024

Warrant A (7) \$ 29,264.06

Warrant C (3) \$ 1,763.17

Warrant F (2) \$ 17,450.00

Warrant H (2) \$ 10,533.33

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported on the following:

- Bus #62 sold at the auction for \$11,200.
- Tax rate correction on the agenda was due to a decrease in Seneca Falls assessment evaluation.
- Reviewed State & Federal Grants with the Board:

Federal Grants

- Title I-used for Reading & Math Assistance; Reading instruction, summer reading and supplies.
- Title II-used for Literacy Coordinator (30%), mentoring program, Teacher Mentors and in-district PD sessions after school.
- Title IV-used for SRO services (33%), student opportunities (STEAM), Instructional Software and SEL supports.

Temporary State & Local Grants

- School Improvement Grant (SIG) is used for Literacy Coordinator
- Bonafiglia Family foundation Grant is used for literacy support.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reported on the following:

- Met with the new Student BOE Member-Searah Reardon. Searah will be joining the BOE at the September 12 meeting. The new Student BOE Member will not be voting on BOE items or participating in executive session, but is an advisory role only. Discussed plans on growing the Superintendent-Student Advisory Committee.
- UPK Parent night was held on Aug. 21. Over 40 parents attended the event. Monday, August 26 is UPK Open House.
- Fall sports start on Aug. 26, 2024. Football season started August 19th.
- School opens next week. Wednesday, August 28th kicks off the new school year with instructional staff.

BOE Vice-President Report

Denise Lorenzetti explained to the Board that the first meeting in September, Sept. 25, is also open house for Middle School and Mynderse Academy. Options were to start the meeting earlier or later so the BOE Members who were parents could attend the open house. After some discussion, it was suggested that the meeting be moved to Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting Date Change

Sept. 25, 2024

Matthew Lando made a motion to move the Sept. 26, 2024 meeting to Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Erica Sinicropi seconded the motion.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The District Clerk will place a legal ad in the newspaper and have the meeting change placed on the school website.

Important dates to Remember

August 27, 2024- 4 County SBA Board of Directors Meeting

August 28 & 29, 2024-Superintendent Conference Days

Sept. 3, 2024-First day of school

Sept. 12, 2024-BOE Meeting-Recognize 2024 retirees and new employees

Sept. 26, 2024-BOE Meeting

Consent Agenda

Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

SFEA-Resignations

Name: Jennifer Cook

Position: Teaching Assistant

Effective: 08/16/202

Name: Christina Carlino

Position: Teaching Assistant

Effective: 08/20/202

SFSSA-Resignation

Name: Ashley Helmicki

Position: Cashier/Food Service Helper

Effective: 08/13/2024

Name: Danielle Harko

Position: School Bus Monitor

Effective: 08/13/2024

Appointments

2024-2025 Teacher Mentor

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves following Teacher Mentor appointment for the 2024-2025 school year.

Position	Employee	Stipend
Teacher Mentor	Amylyn Marley	\$350.00

2024-2025 Coaching

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education appoints the following coaches (All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared).

Position	Employee	Stipend	Certification
FOOTBALL			
Robert Bush	Modified Football Paid Assistant	\$2,000.00	TCL 1 st Renewal Exp. 8/31/25
CROSS COUNTRY			
Don Densmore	Varsity Cross Country Coach	\$3,706.49	Certified Physical Ed. Teacher
GOLF	GOLF		
Rhett Ticconi	Varsity Golf Coach	\$2,409.33	TCL 1 st Renewal Exp. 8/31/25
Jake Jones	JV Golf Coach	\$2,234.11	Teacher
SOCCER	SOCCER		
Melissa Morrin	Varsity Girls Soccer Coach	\$4,950.46	Teacher
Jessica Lambert	JV Girls Soccer Coach	\$3,007.30	Certified Physical Ed. Teacher
Ashley Leederman	Modified Girls Soccer Coach	\$2,234.11	Certified Physical Ed. Teacher
David Major	Varsity Girls NON-PAID Assistant	n/a	
Peter Doell	Varsity Boys Soccer Coach	\$4,950.46	
Dan Montoney	JV Boys Soccer Coach	\$3,007.30	TCL 2 nd -4 th Exp. Renewal 8/31/25
Ryan Major	Modified Boys Soccer Coach	\$2,234.11	Teacher
TENNIS			
Scott Redding	Varsity Girls Tennis Coach	\$3,706.49	Certified Physical Ed. Teacher
Joe Jacuzzi	Modified Girls Tennis Coach	\$2,234.11	PCL-Exp. 8/31/26
VOLLEYBALL	VOLLEYBALL		
Sharon Esposito	Varsity Girls Volleyball Coach	\$3,706.49	PCL-Volleyball
Michael Mirras	Varsity Girls Volleyball NON-PAID Assistant	n/a	PCL-Exp. 8/31/25
Melissa Koepke	JV Girls Volleyball Coach	\$3,007.30	Teacher
Danielle Paolicelli	Modified Girls Volleyball Coach	\$2,234.11	TCL-Exp. 1/31/25
SOCCER			
Heidi Young	Boys Soccer-NON- Paid Assistant	n/a	TCL 1 st Renewal Pending
CROSS COUNTRY			
Hunter Brignall	Modified Cross Country Coach	\$2,234.11	TCL 1 st Renewal Pending

Civil Service Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following civil service position(s) (All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared).

Name: Jacob Quill
 Position: Custodian
 Effective: 08/23/2024
 Probationary Period: 08/23/2024 through 08/22/2025
 Hours/day: 8.0
 Hourly Rate: \$16.48

Name: Scott Short
 Position: Cleaner
 Effective: 09/03/2024
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2024 through 09/02/2025
 Hours/day: 8.0
 Hourly Rate: \$15.71

Name: Maranda Marr
 Position: Teacher Aide
 Effective: 08/28/2024
 Probationary Period: 08/28/2024 through 08/27/2025
 Hours/day: 6.0
 Hourly Rate: \$16.48

Name: Kathy Martin
 Position: Teacher Aide
 Effective: 08/28/2024
 Probationary Period: 08/28/2024 through 08/27/2025
 Hours/day: 6.0
 Hourly Rate: \$16.48

Name: Michelle Quigley
 Position: School Bus Driver
 Effective: 08/23/2024
 Probationary Period: 08/23/2024 through 08/22/2025
 Hours/day: 5.0
 Hourly Rate: \$23.69 (Option B)

Substitute Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following substitute appointment(s) *(All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*.

Name: Grace Harter
 Position: Reading Teacher-Long Term Substitute (Level I)
 NYS Certification: Pending
 Effective: 08/23/2024
 Salary: \$44,200 (Step I)

Name: Hunter Brignall
 Position: Substitute Teacher
 NYSED Certification: Uncertified
 Effective date: 08/23/2024

Annual list of Teacher Substitutes-See attached list
Annual list of Support Staff Substitutes-See attached list

Probationary to Permanent
 None at this time

Increase in Days

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the increase in days from a 10 month position to a 12 month position for the following employee:

Name: Wendy Ryrko
 Position: Senior Typist (12 month)
 Effective date: 08/27/2024

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes: 07/26/2024, 08/06/2024, 08/07/2024, 08/08/2024, 08/09/2024

Gifts and Donations
 None at this time

2024-2025 Transportation Requests

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following requests for transportation for the 2024-2025 school year.

Student	Transport Request
	Seneca Bible Baptist School, 1859 Auburn Road, Seneca Falls
	Seneca Bible Baptist School, 1859 Auburn Road, Seneca Falls
	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89, Seneca Falls
	St. Francis-St. Stephen School, 17 Elmwood Ave., Geneva

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Correction-2024-2025 Tax Rates

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the corrected 2024-2025 Assessed Value Tax Rates as listed:

	<u>School Rate</u>	<u>Revision</u>
Seneca Falls	\$17.902540	\$17.903405
Fayette	\$27.125060	\$27.126371
Tyre	\$24.864651	\$24.865854

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

2025 Costa Rica Trip

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2025 World Language Department Coast Rica Trip, November 21-28, 2025, pending compliance with Board of Education Policy #4531-Field Trips and Excursions as well as the following criteria:

- The Seneca Falls Central School District will require that a waiver be signed by the parents and/ or guardians of each student going on the trip;
- The Seneca Falls Central School District will comply with all NYS Department of Health Guidelines regarding travel advisories in effect from the time of approval of the trip to trip departure;
- The District will comply with all NYS Executive Orders from the Governor’s Office in effect from the time of approval of the trip to trip departure;
- The Superintendent and the Board of Education will continue to revisit the status of the trip to evaluate data, travel restrictions and other pertinent information to determine if the trip should be allowed as scheduled;
- Per Regulation 4531R-The Superintendent/Designee may cancel any previously approved field trip due to extenuating circumstances.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Contracts, Agreements and MOA’s

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following Contracts, Agreements and MOA’s:

SFAA MOA-School Improvement Coordinator
2024-2025 Finger Lakes Christian School Agreement
Special Education Teacher
Annual Compensation not to Exceed: \$21,989.00
No Medical Benefits

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Erica Sinicropi.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Certification of Lead Evaluators

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that by virtue of the fact of having participated in the Lead Evaluator Training provided by the NYS Education Department, WFL BOCES, Seneca Falls Central School District and the NYS Council of School Superintendents, which included the required components, the following people as listed are considered as Certified Lead Evaluators for the 2024-2025 School Year:

- Dr. Michelle Reed Principals
- James Bruni Principals
- Jodie Verkey Teachers
- Karissa Blamble Teachers
- Faith Lewis Teachers
- Carrie Heffron Teachers
- Kevin Rhinehart Teachers
- Kevin Korzeniewski Teachers
- Amy Hibbard Teachers
- Janet Clendenen Teachers

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Heather Zellers.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

District Code of Conduct
2024-2025

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and Policy 2410 (Policy Development, Adoption, Implementation and Review), the Board of Education approves the one and only reading of the District Code of Conduct, with revisions, as presented for the 2024-2025 school year.

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Heather Zellers.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Policy-1st Reading

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the first reading of the following policies:

- Policy 4772-Graduation Ceremonies
- Policy 4773-Diploma and Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- Policy 5500-Student Records
- Regulation 5500-Student Records
- Policy 5550-Student Privacy
- Regulation 8635- Information and Data Privacy, Security, Breach and Notification Regulation

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

SFCSD Safety Plan (Public)
2024-2025

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Seneca Falls Central School District Safety Plan as presented.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Surplus

Music Department

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to dispose of following Music Department surplus items as listed through sale, donation, disposal or auction according to Board Policy #6900:

- Partial metal drum stand
- Marching Drum Shells (x5)
- Non-Repairable alto clarinet
- Broken guitar stand
- LP Aspire Congas (x2)
- Tuba Stand (x2)
- Misc. Drum Heads (x16)
- Marching Snare Harness (x2)
- Outdated Marching Snare Harness (x3)
- Bass Clarinet Case
- Alto Saxophone Case
- Cornet Case
- Non-Repairable Bass Trombone
- Amps (x3)
- Soft Keyboard Case
- Marching Quads (x2)
- Drum Cases (x4)
- Marching Snare with Case (x3)
- Roland D-10 Keyboard
- Marching Bass Drums (x3)

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session

None at this time

Adjourn

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk