

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
August 8, 2024-6:00 PM
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room

BOE Present

Deborah Corsner, Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Joseph McNamara, Michael Mirras, and Erica Sinicropi

BOE Absent

Heather Zellers

Others Present

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

Michael Mirras called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Agenda

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the agenda with addendum(s) as listed.

Add under X. Consent Agenda

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

2. SFSSA-Resignation(s)

a. Name: Robert Wood

Position: Typist

Effective: at the end of the day on August 26, 2024

5. Substitute Appointments

e. Name: Robert Wood

Position: Substitute Typist

Effective date: 08/27/2024

Add under XI. Old Business

B. Correction(s)

4. 2024-2025 Substitute Instructional Daily and Hourly Rates and Civil Service Daily and Hourly Rates
(Instructional substitute workdays are based on 7.25 hours) (BOE APPROVED 7/11/2024)

Contracted Per-Diem Substitute (Uncertified)	\$114.50 \$121.00	\$15.80 \$16.69
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Add under XII. New Business

A. Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

3. Monroe I BOCES Transportation Contract (TC)

Contract type: Special Education Only

Agreement Date: 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2024

Amount: \$7,460.28 (anticipated)

4. Monroe I BOCES Transportation Contract (TC)

Contract type: Special Education Only

Agreement Date: 07/01/2024 through 06/30/2025

Amount: \$3,767.24 (anticipated)

Under XII. New Business-revised tax collection dates.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board Minutes

July 11, 2024

Michael Mirras asked for a motion approve the Board of Education minutes dated July 11, 2024.

Joseph McNamara made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

None at this time

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report

June 2024

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for June 2024

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

Administrator Workshop

Dr. Reed set up four pods-Mynderse Academy, SF Middle School, Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School and Frank M. Knight Elementary School. The Board of Education was divided into four groups. Each group spent 15 minutes at each pod talking to building Administrators. Building Administrators discussed data highlights for their specific building. Board members were able to ask questions of each administrator.

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
Facilities Committee

Matthew Lando reported on the following:

The Facilities Committee had two meetings, July 30, 2024 and July 31, 2024.

July 30, 2024 meeting, the Committee reviewed the proposed new doors (function ability; key fab versus electric; master control of the doors, etc.).

July 31, 2024 meeting-the Committee reviewed the proposed HVAC system at Mynderse Academy. Three companies provided a presentation at the meeting.

Information

James Clark-School Bus Driver-LOA 07/15/2024-07/14/2025

Brianna Jones-Teacher Aide-LOA 09/01/2024-06/30/2024

Warrants

Warrants 06/01/2024-06/30/2024

Warrant A (104)	\$ 496,940.34
Warrant A (107)	\$ 57,026.58
Warrant C (39)	\$ 12,344.08
Warrant C (40)	\$ 17.16
Warrant F (47)	\$ 22,849.52
Warrant F (48)	\$ 307,795.17
Warrant H (9)	\$ 10,533.33
Warrant CM (5)	\$ 7,400.00

Warrants 07/01/2024-07/31/2024

Warrant A (3)	\$ 29,613.89
Warrant A (4)	\$ 28,421.88
Warrant A (5)	\$ 504,629.10
Warrant A (6)	\$ 57,757.40
Warrant C (1)	\$ 295.41
Warrant C (2)	\$ 417.48
Warrant F (1)	\$ 28,943.06
Warrant H (1)	\$ 188,862.45

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported that the 2024-2025 tax rates were on the agenda to be approved. He also informed the Board that Five-Star Bank, where the taxes are collected, will be charging a \$6.00 service charge for tax bills paid for by cashier's checks. A letter will be sent out.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reported on the following:

- Thanked the counseling staff and leadership as well as outside agencies for all their help the last couple of weeks.
- New Teacher Orientation is scheduled for August 7, 2024. Eight new instructional employees attended.
- The new student board member will begin in September. The student board member will have a seat at the table, be able to discuss topics, but will not be able to vote.
- Shared the former student liaison, Stephanie Mirras, had an article featured in the July 22, 2024 edition of NYSSBA OnBoard (newspaper).

BOE President Report

Michael Mirras reported on the following:

- Attended the new Teacher Orientation on Aug. 7, 2024 to welcome the new employees; encouraged Board members to attend in the future.
- Informed the Board members that the retreat will be held on Saturday, November 2 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Board of Education and District goals will be discussed.
- Opening day (faculty and staff only) for the new school year is August 28, 2024 at 8:00 am in the high school auditorium.
- Asked the District Clerk to look into purchasing name tags board members to use while attending functions.

BOE Member Comments

Erica Sinicropi commented that Stephanie Mirras' NYSSBA OnBoard article was great.

Important Dates to Remember

August 13, 2024-Facilities Committee

August 22, 2024-BOE Meeting/Public Hearings

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

SFSSA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following SFSSA resignation(s)

Name: Robert Wood
Position: Typist
Effective: at the end of the day on August 26, 2024

Appointments
Professional Appointment(s)
None at this time

2024-2025 Annual Appointment(s)

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

Position	Employee	Stipend
Mental Health Social Worker Supervisor	Christine Tompkins	Per MOA
ECS Student Council Advisor	Anthony Noone	\$458.00
FK Building Substitute	Andrea Dow	\$121.00/day**
ECS Building Substitute	Brianna Jones	\$121.00/day**
SFMS Building Substitute	Joseph Ponzi	\$121.00/day**
MA Building Substitute	Brian Edwards	\$121.00/day**
CHSC Coordinator	Amanda Fleig	Paid by grant
LIFT Project Coordinator	Amanda Fleig	Per Excellus
Wellness Co-Coordinator	Amanda Fleig	Per Excellus
Wellness Co-Coordinator	Lindsay Willson	Per Excellus
Wellness RALLY Coordinator	Amanda Fleig	Per Excellus
Plant Based Coordinator	Lindsay Willson	Per Excellus

***Based on rate per day correction for Contracted Per-Diem Substitutes (Uncertified) under Old Business*

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
FOOTBALL		
Sean Mullen	Varsity Football Coach	\$4,950.46
Mason Hawker	Varsity PAID Assistant	\$2,000.00
Shawn Mulheron	Varsity PAID Assistant	\$2,000.00
Brian Oddi, Jr.	NON-PAID (Student Teacher)	n/a
Brian Heitmann	Modified Football	\$3,007.30
Jason Hunt	Modified Football PAID Assistant	\$2,000.00

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: James Clark
Position: Auto Mechanic/School Bus Driver
Effective: 07/15/2024 (retro)
Probationary Period: 07/15/2024-01/14/2025
Hours per day: 8.0
Hourly Rate: \$24.17

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: Stephen Dougherty
Position: Substitute Teacher, Substitute Teaching Assistant, and Tutor
Effective date: 08/09/2024

Name: Hannah Brown-Trice
Position: Substitute Teacher, Substitute Teaching Assistant
Effective date: 08/09/2024

Name: Courtney McClelland
Position: Substitute Cleaner, Substitute School Bus Driver

Effective date: 08/09/2024

Name: Linda Ferrara
Position: Substitute Teacher Aide
Effective date: 08/09/2024

Name: Robert Wood
Position: Typist
Effective: at the end of the day on August 26, 2024

Probationary to Permanent

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the probationary to permanent appointment of the following employee(s):

Employee	Position	Effective
Alateishia Johnson	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Sharon McBride	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Stephen Tillinghast	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Deborah Beeching	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Sarah Salerno	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Lora Bennett	Teacher Aide	08/30/2024
Danielle Harko	Teacher Aide	09/01/2024
Rachel Wagner-Killen	Cashier/FSH	08/30/2024

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes: 06/07/24, 06/14/24, 06/17/24, 06/20/24, 07/01/24 (1), 07/01/24 (2), 07/09/24, 07/12/24, 07/17/24

Gifts and Donations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following gifts or donations:

Donor	Amount	Account	
Seneca Falls Education Foundation	\$25,000.00	A2705 General Fund	Will be used to support the requirements of the Bonafiglia Grant
Merry Go round Playhouse	\$4,870.00	A2705 General Fund	Arts in Education Programming

Transportation Requests

None at this time.

Overnight Conference Requests/Field Trips

NYS School Facilities Conference & Expo-Brian Heitmann
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 2024
Saratoga Hilton & City Center
Saratoga Springs, NY

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.
Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Anthony Ferrara.
Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Rescind Appointment(s)

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that the Board of Education rescinds the following appointments.

Science Teacher (appointed 06/06/2024)

B. Appointments

1. Professional Appointments

a. Name: William Corwin

Position: Science Education Teacher

Certification: Science Gr. 7-9 (Initial Certification)

Tenure: Science Education

Effective date: 07/01/2024

Probation: 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2028

Salary: \$ 44,200 (Step 1)

Grant Liaison (appointed 7/11/2024)

B. Appointments

1. 2024-2025 Annual Appointments

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

Grant Liaison (STOP Violence)	Stacey Bogart	\$2,500
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Correction(s)

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to corrections as listed:

Corrected Supervisor Contract -July 1, 2024 –June 30, 2028 (BOE approved 06/20/2024)

Reading Teacher (BOE approved 07/11/2024)

- XII. Consent Agenda
- A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
- 4. SFEA
- a. Name: John Cronin
- Position: ~~ELA~~-Reading Teacher
- Effective: the end of the day on 07/30/2024

2024-2025 Seneca Falls Middle School Annual Appointment (BOE approved 07/11/2024)

Position	Employee	Stipend
MS Play Director	Nicholas Hebert	\$486 \$994

2024-2025 Substitute Instructional Daily and Hourly Rates and Civil Service Daily and Hourly Rates (Instructional substitute workdays are based on 7.25 hours) (BOE APPROVED 7/11/2024)

Substitute Position	Daily Rate	Hourly Rate for Special Employment (i.e. Tutoring)
Contracted Per-Diem Substitute (Uncertified)	\$114.50 \$121.00	\$15.80 \$16.69

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business
Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

Michael Mirras 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:

SFEA MOA- TOSA/CSE Co-Chair

Soldiers and Sailors Contract
 School Physician Services
 Aug. 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025
 \$40,000 annually

Monroe I BOCES Transportation Contract (TC)
 Contract type: Special Education Only
 Agreement Date: 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2024
 Amount: \$7,460.28 (anticipated)

Monroe I BOCES Transportation Contract (TC)
 Contract type: Special Education Only
 Agreement Date: 07/01/2024 through 06/30/2025
 Amount: \$3,767.24 (anticipated)

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

LTS Appointment

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following long term substitute appointment:

Name: William Corwin
 Position: Science Teacher-Long Term Substitute (Level I)
 Effective: 07/01/2024
 Salary: Step I (SFEA Contract)

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2024-2025 Tax Levy

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Tax Levy in the amount of fourteen million, four hundred three, and ninety-seven dollars (\$14,403,097.00).

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Joseph McNamara.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2024-2025 Tax Rates

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Assessed Value Tax Rates as listed:

	School Rate	Library Rate	
Seneca Falls	\$17.902540 \$17.903405		\$0.4562
Fayette	\$27.125060 \$27,126371		\$0.6912
Tyre	\$24.864654 \$24.865854		\$0.6336

Tax rates corrected at the Aug. 22, 2024 Board of Education Meeting.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2024-2025 Tax Collection Dates

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following tax collection dates for the 2024-2025 school year:

September 3, 2024 to September 30, 2024 No Penalty
 October 2, 2024 to October 31, 2024 2% Penalty
 November 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024 3% Penalty
 No taxes accepted after November 30, 2024

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Budget Transfers

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the following budget transfers as listed:

FROM FUND ACCOUNT #	\$ AMOUNT	TO FUND ACCOUNT #	REASON
A 9060-800-00-0000	\$300,500.00	A 2630-490-00-0000	Transfer to cover technology refresh
A 9060-800-00-0000	\$13,881.00	A 9901-950-00-0000	Transfer to cover the emergency project
A 9060-800-00-0000	\$105,261.00	A 9950-900-00-0000	Transfer to cover Sec. 4201 Program

Deborah Corsner made the motion, seconded by Denise Lorenzetti.
 Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2024-2025 Standard Work Days

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that the Seneca Falls Central School District, Location code 74502, hereby establishes the following as standard work days for its employees and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body:

STANDARD WORK DAY HOURS NYSLRS 2024-2025	
NAME OF POSITION	HRS for SWD
Administrative Assistant	7
Senior Account Clerk/Typist	7
Account Clerk/Typist	7
Account Clerk	7
Clerk	7
Data Entry Machine Operator	7
Sr. Typist	7
Typist	7
Library Aide	6
Teacher Aide	6
School Monitor	6
Health Aide	7
Registered Professional Nurse (School)	7
School Messenger	6
Network Administrator	8
Application Services Support Assistant	8
AV Technician	8
Computer Network Specialist	8
Director of Facilities II	8
Senior Building Maintenance Mechanic	8
Building Maintenance Mechanic/School Bus Driver	8
Building Maintenance Mechanic	8
Sr. Custodian	8
Custodian	8
Cleaner	8
Groundskeeper	8
Transportation Supervisor	8
School Bus Dispatcher	8
Head Automotive Mechanic	8
Automotive Mechanic/School Bus Driver	8
Automotive Mechanic Assistant/School Bus Driver	8
Automotive Mechanic Helper	8
School Bus Driver	6
School Bus Driver/Food Service Helper	6

School Bus Monitor	6
School Bus Monitor/Food Service Helper	6
School Bus Driver/Messenger	6
Cook Manager	7
Food Transporter/Food Service Helper	7
Sr. Food Service Helper	6
Cashier/Food Service Helper	6
Food Service Helper	6
Laborer	8

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session
None at this time

Adjourn

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk