

2024-2025  
**SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Mission Statement

The mission of the Seneca Falls Central School District is to provide quality educational opportunities and experiences for all students in a safe and positive environment that promotes academic excellence.

Vision

Pride & Opportunity

**January 9, 2025**  
**Board Meeting**

**6:00 PM**

Public Meeting #12

Robert McKeveny Training Room  
2 Butler Avenue

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Deborah Corsner

Anthony Ferrara

Cara Lajewski

Matthew Lando

Denise Lorenzetti

Joseph McNamara

Michael Mirras

Erica Sinicropi

Heather Zellers

Student Board Member

Searah Reardon

Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent  
James Bruni, Business Administrator

**I. Meeting called to order**

**II. Quorum Check**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION: to approve the agenda with the addendum as listed.**

**Add under X. Consent Agenda**

**B. Appointments**

**1. Professional Appointment(s)**

**a. Name: William Corwin**

Position: **Biology Teacher**

Certification: **Biology 7-9 Extension (Initial)**

Tenure: **Science Education**

Probation: **12/18/2024-12/17/2028**

Salary: **Continue on Step I**

**4. Probationary to Permanent**

<b>James Clark</b>	<b>Auto Mechanic/School Bus Driver</b>	<b>01/14/2025</b>
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**V. Approve or Amend**

**A. Board Minutes- December 19, 2024**

**MOTION: to approve the following Board of Education minutes dated December 19, 2024.**

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**B. Treasurer's Reports-None at this time.**

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**C. Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report –November 2024**

**MOTION: to approve the Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report for November 2024.**

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**VI. Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations**

**A. Matthew Bogart and Searah Reardon-Senior Class**

**B. Jodie Verkey and Faith Lewis-Curriculum and BRC**

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**VII. Public Comment**

**For anyone interested in addressing the Board, please review the Public Comment statement below.**

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.

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**VIII. Committee Reports**-None at this time.

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**IX. Information**

A. Warrants 12/01/2024-12/31/2024

Warrant A (43)	\$ 58,206.26
Warrant A (47)	\$ 97,513.04
Warrant C (18)	\$ 18.23
Warrant C (19)	\$ 13,423.04
Warrant F (18)	\$ 33,676.79
Warrant F (19)	\$ 97,035.72
Warrant H (8)	\$ 57,460.75

B. Student Board Member

C. Business Administrator

D. Superintendent Report

E. BOE President Report

F. BOE Member Comments

G. Important Dates to Remember

January 13, 2025-Facilities Committee (7:30 am)

January 14, 2025-Policy Committee (7:30 am)

January 20, 2025-Martin Luther King Day-holiday

January 21-24, 2025-Regents Exams

January 23, 2025-BOE Meeting/Frank Knight Roundtable

January 29, 2025-Lunar New Year-no school

February 7, 2025-NYSSBA Capital Conference-Virtual

February 12, 2025-NYSSBA Lobby Day, Albany, NY

February 13, 2025 BOE Meeting

February 17, 2025-President's Day -holiday

February 17-21, 2025-Winter Break-no school

February 27, 2025-BOE Meeting

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**X. Consent Agenda**

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

1. SFEA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following Seneca Falls Education Association resignation:

a. Name: Becky Allen

Position: Teaching Assistant

Effective: 01/05/2025

2. SFSSA

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following Seneca Falls Support Staff Association resignation:

a. Name: Danielle Harko

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: 01/17/2025

B. Appointments

1. Professional Appointment(s)

The Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools, hereby appoints (*Probation dates are tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law sections 2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.*)

a. Name: William Corwin

Position: Biology Teacher  
Certification: Biology 7-9 Extension (Initial)  
Tenure: Science Education  
Probation: 12/18/2024-12/17/2028  
Salary: continue on Step I

2. 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*).

a. Name: Casey Malloy

Position: Teacher Aide  
Effective: 01/10/2025  
Probationary 01/10/2025 through 01/09/2026  
Hours/day: 6.0  
Hourly Rate: \$16.48

3. Substitute Appointments-None at this time.

4. 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
Brittany Draheim	Teacher Aide	01/08/2025
James Clark	Auto Mechanic/School Bus Driver	01/14/2025

C. CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes: 12/04/2024, 12/10/2024, 12/16/2024

D. Gifts and Donations-None at this time.

E. 2024-2025 Transportation Requests-None at this time.

F. Overnight Conference Requests/Field Trips-None at this time.

**MOTION: To approve the consent agenda as listed.**

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XI. Old Business-None at this time.

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XII. New Business

A. Policy-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**MOTION:** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the second and final reading of the following policy:

Policy 8130-School Safety Plans and Teams

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B. Course Recommendations

**MOTION:** to approve the following recommended course as listed:

1. Course Name: Introduction to Helping Professions II  
Department: Family & Consumer Sciences  
High School Credit: Yes (.5)  
College Credit: Yes  
Textbook Requirement: NA  
Teacher of Course: Lindsay Willson
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C. 2023-2024 Extra-Classroom Audit

**MOTION:** to accept the Extra-Classroom Audit and the corresponding Corrective Action Plan of the Seneca Falls Central School District for the year ended June 30, 2024, completed by Mengel, Metzger, Barr & Co. LLP, as recommended by the Audit Committee.

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D. SEQRA- State Environmental Quality Review Act TYPE II Resolution Regarding Seneca Falls Central School Emergency Project

**MOTION:** WHEREAS, the Seneca Falls Central School District (the “District”) plans to undertake an emergency project at a maximum estimated cost of \$145,000.00 involving the replacement of two failing rooftop units (RTU’s) at Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Education Department (“SED”) guidance and policy, the local school district / board of education is the appropriate agency to be the lead agency to undertake project review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”); and

WHEREAS, Section 617.5 of the SEQRA regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617) provides that certain activities are Type II actions which are not subject to review under SEQRA and that such activities include “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility” (§ 617.5(c)(1)), “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site” (§ 617.5(c)(2)), and/or “routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings” (§ 617.5(c)(8)); and,

WHEREAS, the proposed additions and alterations project constitutes such maintenance or repair activities, and/or replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction activities, and/or routine activities of educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the 2010 Letter of Resolution between the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (“OPRHP”) (a/k/a State Historic Preservation Office (“SHPO”)) and the SED and the Letter of Resolution’s exemption form, a project is exempt from SHPO review because (i) a building(s) is less than 50 years old at the time of project initiation and it is not the work of a recognized Master Architect, Designer or Builder, or associated with persons or events significant in the history of the State of New York, or (ii) a building is 50 years old or older but has previously been evaluated by SHPO and found not to meet the criteria for inclusion in the State and National Register, or (iii) the project work on a building falls under exempt work items specified in Attachment 1 of the memo of understanding (MOU), and therefore the project will have little or no potential impact on the character of historic resources; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School is more than 50 years old and is not the work of a recognized Master Architect, Designer or Builder, or associated with persons or events significant in the history of the State of New York and the work would be exempt under Attachment 1 of the memo of understanding (MOU), and the building is listed as not eligible for inclusion on the State and National Register according to SHPO's Cultural Resource Information System, and the District's architect therefore has determined that the exemptions identified in the paragraphs above apply to the proposed project and that it will execute the Letter of Resolution form indicating that the work to be done will have no impact on the character of historic resources and is exempt from SHPO review, and that it will include the Letter of Resolution form in the submission to the SED for the additions and alterations project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED ON SUCH REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION, BE IT RESOLVED by the Seneca Falls Central School District Board of Education that:

1. The District's Board of Education is the lead agency for the SEQRA review of the proposed additions and alterations project.
2. The proposed additions and alterations project is a Type II action which is not subject to review under SEQRA, and it will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment.
3. This resolution is to confirm the District's SEQRA determination.
4. The Superintendent is hereby authorized to sign and file or have filed on behalf of the District all documents necessary to comply with SEQRA.
5. This resolution is effective immediately.

*Roll Call Vote by Clerk*

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XIII. **Budget Workshop**-Dr. Reed and Jim Bruni-Department/Building Budget Goals

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XIV. **Executive Session** – Superintendent Mid-Year Review and Negotiations (Contingent upon adoption of a motion during the public portion of the meeting in accordance with Section 105 of the Public Officers Law).

**MOTION:** to move into Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent's mid-year review and negotiations.

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XV. **Adjourn**

**MOTION:** to adjourn the meeting.