

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: January 28, 2025

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Presiding Officer: Mr. Anthony Nicotera, President called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.

Members Present: Anthony Nicotera, Lynn Weibel, Ronald Critelli, Mike Makuszak, and Cathy Pumilia.

Members Absent: Patricia Collins and Mike Sacco.

Administration Present: David Stayton, Superintendent
Charles Cowen, Business Administration

Others Present: Staff signed in.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentation(s): There was none.

Committee Report: Mr. David Stayton touched on a few committees:

- A. Board Operations/Relations/Development will be meeting February 17, 2025.
- B. School Boards Institute (SBI) – Legislature forum is scheduled for January 30, 2025. Mr. Anthony Nicotera, Mr. Mike Sacco and Mr. Stayton will be attending.
- C. Policy Committee meeting prior to the February 11th meeting. There are policies that were reviewed and some revisions made which will be presented at this meeting.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. David Stayton reported that:

- 5.1 SBI – “Legislative Zoom Forum” on January 30, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. Legislative schedule was sent out prior to meeting.
- 5.2 Think Pink, Monday, January 27, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Elementary School gymnasium. There was great support and turnout. The event raised \$4,300 which will go to local Breast Cancer Centers. A great thank you to the community and local businesses who also showed support in their donations to such a great event.

- 5.3 Spring Sport Teams and coaches are on the agenda for approval. The boys' indoor track placed third place and the girls' placed 1st in the Center State Conference.
- 5.4 Fireworks over Sauquoit is still in the early planning stages through Student Council. The Town of Paris is working with the school to make this happen. The fireworks will be going off in the Town Park. All guest, visitors and community members attending will be on school grounds only or outside the perimeter. No one is allowed in park except those setting the fireworks off. Extra security will be requested ahead of time from the Sheriff's Officer. Updates will be presented closer to the date.
- 5.5 BOCES Annual meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2025. BOCES' candidates and the 2025-2026 budget will be voted on along with presentations of their services. Dinner will be served so, please let Marie Goodman know if you plan on attending.
- 5.6 Board members are invited to the National Honor Society Ceremony scheduled for Wednesday, February 26th in the High School Auditorium.
- 5.7 A Special Board meeting is being held this Thursday at 4:00 p.m. to approve a capital project. The bids are going to be submitted tomorrow, Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. Due to time constraints approval is needed Thursday, January 30, 2025.

Old Business: Electric Vehicle (EV) Funding – Charlie Cowen explained the updated funding to purchase an electric bus. He then presented two propositions to present to the voters for the May election. The first for 2 diesel buses and the other for one electric bus.

New Business: Mr. Anthony Nicotera stated that action 7.1 to 7.10 will be read as a consent motion and take one vote. If there are any questions or comments, members can do so prior to vote or pull a motion for further discussion.

Resolution No. 42: made by Ms. Lynn Weibel, and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia,

To pull motion 7.3 Additional Athletic Appointments. The JV and modified baseball/softball teams were discussed. A list of coaches for the spring season should include JV and modified baseball/softball teams. The number of student participants and coaches should be reviewed as a group before approval is granted.

Mr. Mike Makuszak asked about the shared service agreement on what it actually entails. Mr. Stayton explained that the town will clean and sweep the roadways on the campus and our staff will assist in the lawn care of the park. Mr. Mike Makuszak was glad to hear the cooperative team between the school and the town.

Resolution No. 43: made by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Mr. Mike Makuszak,

- to approve maternity leave for Ashley Morat to commence on or about March 28, 2025 to be continuous for twelve weeks from actual commencement date or until she returns.
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, pursuant to all applicable Civil Service rules and regulations, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Amanda DelMedico, to the position of Bus Monitor effective January 30, 2025.
- that Drake Carnot be appointed as a varsity football coach for the 2025-26 school year contingent upon student athlete participation and pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.
- to approve the revised/reviewed policies listed below:
 - a) **Policy 4001 Fiscal Responsibilities**
 - b) **Policy 4023 Budget Administration** (Delete)
 - c) **Policy 4030.1 Procurement of Goods and Services** (Delete)
 - d) **Policy 4041 Medicaid Confidential Disclosure Policy** (Delete)
 - e) **Policy 4103 Authorized Signatures**
 - f) **Policy 4104 Petty Cash Accounts**
 - g) **Policy 4105 Tax Relief (Star) Program**
 - h) **Policy 4200 Budget Planning**
 - i) **Policy 4201 Budget Publication and Hearing**
 - j) **Policy 4202 Budget Transfers**
 - k) **Policy 4203 Contingency Budget**
 - l) **Policy 4205 Property Tax Exemption For Elderly**
 - m) **Policy 4302 Investment Policy**
 - n) **Policy 4404 Medical Billing Compliance Program**
 - o) **Policy 4500 General Procurement Standards**
 - p) **Policy 4501 Competitive Bidding**
 - q) **Policy 4507 Use of District Credit Card**
- to appoint Heather Miner as a substitute teacher aide, effective January 29, 2025.
- to appoint Heather Miner as a substitute teacher, effective January 29, 2025.
- to approve an agreement between the Town of Paris and Sauquoit Valley Central School District for the cleaning and sweeping of the parking lots and access roads of the school district on or before May 31, 2025.
- that the minutes of the January 14, 2025 meeting be approved.
- that the Board of Education upon completion of its review of the IEP in accordance with Section 200.4(d)(2) of the Regulations of the Commissioner agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for students numbered 1401383, 1401414, 1401651, 1401653, 1401690, 1401720, 1401720, 1401806, 1401806, 1400908, 1401529, 1400654, 1400654, 1400287, and 1401980 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Miscellaneous Topics: Mrs. Cathy Pumilia just wanted to take a moment to say Sauquoit Valley is very lucky and fortunate to get Drake Carnot as a football coach. She has not heard anything but good comments.

Public to be Heard: There was no comments to be made. Mr. Stayton did acknowledge Mrs. Michele Babbie for coming out in this inclement weather to attend.

There was no executive session.

Resolution No. 44: made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mr. Ron Critelli, that the Board of Education be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Sincerely submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marie Goodman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Marie Goodman
Board Clerk