

2025-2026

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mission Statement

The Seneca Falls Central School District is committed to fostering academic excellence, equitable opportunities, and the unique potential of every student. By creating safe, nurturing, and supportive environments, we aim to develop confident, independent, and responsible individuals who are prepared to succeed academically and contribute meaningfully to their communities.

Vision

Rooted in a strong community; inspiring excellence for every student to learn, grow, and shape their future.

Revised

September 11, 2025

Board Meeting

6:00 PM

Public Meeting #5

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

Kyah Lajewski, Student BOE Member

Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent

Jodie Verkey, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

James Bruni, Business Administrator

Monica Kuney, District Clerk

SENECA FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
September 11, 2025-6:00 PM
Robert McKeveny Board/Training Room

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

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

1. SFSSA-Resignation

b. Name: Joan Tyler

Position: *Cashier/FSH*

Effective: *09/05/2025*

B. Appointments

1. Assistant Superintendent Probation Appointment

Name: Jodie Verkey

Position: *Assistant Superintendent of Instruction*

Certification: *School District Leader (Professional Certification)*

Tenure: *Assistant Superintendent*

Effective date: *07/01/2025*

Probation: *07/01/2025 through 06/30/2029*

4. Civil Service Appointments

G. Create Teacher Aide Positions (5)

Five (5) Teacher Aide positions (1.0 FTE) 6 hours/day; 10 months

Add under XII. New Business

B. Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

2025-2026 Cayuga Community College MOA-College Courses taught at Mynderse Academy

C. SFSSA Resignation

Name: Aionna Johnson

Position: *Teacher Aide*

Effective: *09/19/2025*

D. Civil Service Appointments

Name: Ali Whitton

Position: *Teacher Aide*

Effective: *09/12/2025*

Probationary Period: *09/12/2025 through 09/11/2026*

Hours per day: *6.0*

Hourly Rate: *\$16.97*

V. Approve or Amend

A. Board Minutes-August 21, 2025

MOTION: to approve the Board of Education minutes dated August 21, 2025.

B. Treasurer's Report-None at this time.

C. Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report--None at this time.

VI. Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

A. Introduction-Kyah Lajewski-New Student Board Member

B. Introduction-New Employees:

1. SFEA:

Sydney French (Science)

Sydney Smith (Speech Pathologist) (*Unable to attend meeting*)

Keith Godlewski (Math Teacher)
Tyler Spencer (Technology Teacher)
Connor Worden (Social Studies)
Elizabeth Prayne (Teaching Assistant)
Lisa Clark (Special Education) (*Unable to attend meeting*)

2. SFSSA:

Hilary Reinwald-Teacher Aide
Janita Barnard-Teacher Aide
Brandon Burnley-Teacher Aide
Crysti Larizza-Teacher Aide
Marissa Premo-Teacher Aide
JoAnn Barbay-Teacher Aide
Donna Evans-Cashier/FS
Joan Tyler-Cashier/FSH
Kyle Dawley-Groundskeeper

C. Celebration-Tenure

Mariam Harms: Tenure: Science Education
Adam Jones: Tenure: Physical Education
Nichole Brady: Tenure: Elementary Education
Lisa Roman: Tenure: Elementary Education
Catherine Sargent: Tenure: Reading Education
Jaclyn Barker: Tenure: Reading Education
Kristen Poole: Tenure: Teaching Assistant (*Unable to attend meeting*)
Jessica Lambert: Tenure: Teaching Assistant
Jordan Emerson: Tenure: Health Education (*Unable to attend meeting*)

D. Capital Project Update

HUNT EAS
Campus Construction Management

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.

VIII. Committee Reports-None at this time.

IX. Information

B. Warrants 07/01/2025-07/31/2025

Warrant A (7)	\$	84,472.57
Warrant F (2)	\$	4,443.96
Warrant H (6)	\$	48,152.60
<u>Warrants 08/01/2025-08/31/2025</u>		
Warrant A (10)	\$	21,398.37

Warrant A (14)	\$	51,706.41
Warrant C (3)	\$	880.93
Warrant C (5)	\$	210.65
Warrant F (3)	\$	643,916.00
Warrant H (7)	\$	13,501.02
Warrant H (9)	\$	313,649.28

C. Student Board Member

D. Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

D. Business Administrator

E. Superintendent Report

F. BOE President Report

G. BOE Member Comments

H. Important Dates to Remember

September 13, 2025- Senior Parking Lot Painting Day (8:00 am- 1:00 pm)

4 County SBA Legislative Mtg. -Zoom (9:00-10:30 am)

September 23, 2025- SFMS Open House (5:30-6:30 pm)

MA Open House (6:00-7:00 pm)

September 27, 2025-Review of NYSSBA Proposed Resolutions at 9:00 am (Zoom)

September 30, 2025-General Membership Meeting at 5:30 pm, Club 86, Geneva, NY

October 2, 2025-BOE Meeting (6:00 pm)

October 9, 2025-Emergency Dismissal Drill

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary Open House (6:30-7:30 pm)

October 10, 2025-Superintendent Day-No School

October 13, 2025-Columbus/Indigenous Day

October 16, 2025-Frank Knight Elementary School Open House (6:00-7:00 pm)

Gr. 6-12 Band Concert (7:00-9:00 pm)

October 18, 2025-Homecoming Dance

October 22, 2025-Gr. 6-12 Chorus Concert (7:00-8:00 pm)

October 23, 2025-BOE Meeting (6:00 pm)

October 23 - 25, 2025 Annual Convention & Education Expo, New York City

X. Consent Agenda

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

1. SFAA-Resignation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following SFAA resignation:

a. Name: Jodie Verkey

Position: Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Professional Development

Effective: at the end of the day on 06/30/2025

2. SFSSA-Resignation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following SFSSA resignations:

a. Name: Elizabeth Prayne

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: at the end of the day on 08/31/2025

b. Name: Joan Tyler

Position: Cashier/FSH

Effective: 09/05/2025

B. Appointments

1. Assistant Superintendent Probation Appointment

The Board of Education of the Seneca Falls Central School District, upon the recommendation of Dr. Michelle Reed, Superintendent of Schools approves the following probationary period as listed:

a. Name: Jodie Verkey

Position: Assistant Superintendent of Instruction
Certification: School District Leader (Professional Certification)
Tenure: Assistant Superintendent
Effective date: 07/01/2025
Probation: 07/01/2025 through 06/30/2029

2. 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.*)

b. Name: Connor Worden

Position: Social Studies (7-12)
Certification: Social Studies (Professional Certification)
Tenure: Social Studies
Effective date: 09/01/2025
Probation: 09/01/2025 through 08/31/2029
Salary: \$50,500 (Includes Masters)

c. Name: Elizabeth Prayne

Position: Teaching Assistant
Certification: Teaching Assistant Level I Certificate
Tenure: Teaching Assistant
Effective date: 09/01/2025
Probation: 09/01/2025 through 08/31/2029
Base Salary: \$25,000

3. 2025-2026 Annual Appointment(s)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves following annual appointment for the 2025-2026 school year.

Position	Employee	Stipend
Teacher Mentor	Kathie Freidel	\$1,283.00
Teacher Mentor	Heather Schantz	\$1,283.00
WW Collaborative Social Work Supervisor	Christine Tompkins	\$3,000 per internship student (funded by Grant Money)
WWC Internship Program School Psychologist Supervisor	Abigail Bourcy	\$(funded by Grant Money)3,000 per internship student
Attendance Coordinator	James Marley	Up to three hours daily at \$27 per hour.

4. 2025-2026 Bus Driver/Monitor Bidding

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby approve the following bus driver and bus monitor hours for the 2025-2026 school year.

Bus Drivers	Hours
Mabel Roffe	5.25

Mary Ridley	5.0
Jim Fairbanks	6.5
Carolyn Breese	6.25
Mary True	7.5
Gerald Knox	7.75
Jeff DeLong	5.50 (M-Th.) & 5.0 (Fri.)
Shawn Burns	5.5
James Biccum	5.50 (M-Th.) & 5.0 (Fri.)
James Marley	5.5
Robert Wood	5.75
Tonja Ticconi	5.25
Ronald Donk	6.50 (M-Th.) & 5.0 (Fri.)
Peter Soscia	5.5
Michelle Quigley	5.0
Open Floater	5.0 Vacant
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Bus Monitors	Hours
Sonya Jesmer	6.0
Deanna Monaghan	6.0
Kathy Arsenault	5.0
Jeaneth Dellefave	5.75
Dustin Bennett (Floater)	4.5
Judy Fairbanks (Floater)	4.5
Stephen Tillinghast	2.0
Alateishia Johnson	0.75
Open Floater	4.5 Vacant

5. 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: Kyle Dawley

Position: Groundskeeper

Effective: 09/02/2025

Probationary Period: 09/02/2025 through 11/25/2025 (12 weeks)

Hours per day: 8.0

Hourly Rate: \$17.84

b. Name: JoAnn Barbay

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: 09/02/2025

Probationary Period: 09/02/2025 through 09/01/2026

Hours per day: 6.0

Hourly Rate: \$16.97

c. Name: Kimberly Pupillo

Position: Bus Monitor (Floater)

Effective: 09/12/2025

Probationary Period: 09/12/2025 through 09/11/2026

Hours per day: 4.5

Hourly Rate: \$16.32

6. 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*).

a. Name: James Scarfia

Position: Substitute Teacher

NYS Certification: Social Studies (Permanent Cert.)

Effective date: 09/12/2025

7. Probationary Period

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves extending the following probationary period an additional six months:

Name: Aionna Johnson

Position: Teacher Aide

Probationary Period: 09/13/2024 through ~~09/12/2025~~ **03/12/2026**

C. CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes:

08/08/2025, 08/13/2025, 08/14/2025, 08/15/2025, 08/21/2025, 08/22/2025, 08/25/2025 (1), 08/25/2025 (2), 08/27/2025 (1), 08/27/2025 (2), 08/27/2025 (3), 08/28/2025, 09/02/2025 (1), 09/02/2025 (2)

D. Gifts and Donations-None at this time

E. Transportation Requests

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following requests for transportation for the 2025-2026 school year.

Student	Transport Request
3-Students	Finger Lakes Christian School, 2291 Route 89 Seneca Falls

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

G. Create Teacher Aide Positions (5)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves creating the following Civil Service positions:

Five (5)-Teacher Aides (FTE 1.0) 10 months

MOTION: to approve the Consent Agenda as listed

XI. Old Business

A. Revisions

MOTION: Per NYSED Child Nutrition guidelines, the following price adjustment is approved:

July 10, 2025 RE-Orq Meeting

XII. Consent Agenda

D. 2025-2026 Authorizations

7. 2025-2026 Meal Prices

Students	
Breakfast	\$2.50
Lunch	\$3.20
Adults	
Breakfast	\$3.29 \$3.49
Lunch	\$5.53
Milk	\$0.60

B. Safety Officer Compensation

MOTION: to revise the following Annual Appointment approved on July 10, 2025 as follows:

July 10, 2025 RE-Org Meeting

XII Consent Agenda

B. Appointments

1. 2025-2026 Annual Appointments

Safety Officer	Richard LaBour	No additional compensation \$3,000
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XII. New Business

A. Policy-2nd Reading

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

Policy 6240-Investments

B. Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following Contract(s), Agreement(s) or MOA(s):

2025-2026 Cayuga Community College MOA-College Courses taught at Mynderse Academy

C. SFSSA Resignation

MOTION: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts the following SFSSA resignation:

Name: Aionna Johnson

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: 09/19/2025

D. Civil Service Appointment

MOTION: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following civil service appointment:

Name: Ali Whitton

Position: Teacher Aide

Effective: 09/12/2025

Probationary Period: 09/12/2025 through 09/11/2026

Hours per day: 6.0

Hourly Rate: \$16.97

XIII. Executive Session-2025-2026 Seneca Falls CSD Confidential District Emergency Response Plan and Real Property and **the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property.**

MOTION: to move into Executive Session to discuss matters that would jeopardize public safety if disclosed and **the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property.**

XIV. Adjourn

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting.