

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Mr. Anthony Nicotera, President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the high school library.

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

Members Absent: No one.

Administration Present: David Stayton, Superintendent
Charles Cowen, Business Administrator
Brian Read, Director of Instructional Services

Ex-officio Student Board Member: Kaylyn Dreidel & Madalyn Fredericks

Others Present: Staff and community members signed in.

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation(s)

- Mr. Stayton stated that a new employee was present tonight, Amanda Rogowski. Amanda stood up and introduced herself. She stated she enjoys her job as a teacher aide and many may already know her as she is the secretary of the PTO.
- Mr. Stayton also introduced the two ex-officio students. Kaylyn Dreidel stated the first days of school were good. She is also on the soccer team. Madalyn Fredericks agreed on the opening day was nice and she is looking forward as a senior to finish this year.

Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports: Mr. David Stayton

- Board Operations/Relationships/Development will schedule a meeting tonight.
- School Boards Institute (SBI) has a meeting scheduled for September 18 at 6:30p.m. at OHM BOCES. Ferrara Law Firm will be presenting legal updates and overviews that may be addressed by some schools.
- Policy Committee is scheduled to meet October 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. prior to the board meeting.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Stayton

All three principals had a smooth opening day.

The upcoming events are all listed on the last page of the agenda.

Old Business

There is a capital project meeting tomorrow morning. There may be a meeting called on September 23 to proceed with the timeframe to present this to the voters in a possible election in December of 2025.

New Business: Mr. Nicotera stated that action 7.1 to 7.13 will be read as a consent motion and take one vote. If there are any questions or comments, members can do so prior to voting or pulling a motion for further discussion.

Mrs. Cathy Pumilia asked about the specifics of the MOA with the teachers union. Mr. Stayton explained that this is a series of training for mentors/lead teachers and new teachers, which will take place 4 times throughout the year. They will also be compensated for the time.

Resolution No. 16: made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mr. Ron Critelli,

- to accept the resignation of Amanda DelMedico, school bus attendant, effective August 17, 2025.
- **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 Stefanie Roberts to the position of part-time teacher aide effective September 2, 2025. Probationary period of 26 weeks to commence on September 2, 2025 and to expire on March 3, 2026.
- to approve Kayla Ballard be appointed as extra-curricular advisor for Colgate Seminar for the 2025-26 school year.
- to appoint Megan Fiorentino as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 10, 2025.
- to appoint Olivia Nole-Malpezzi as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 10, 2025.
- to appoint Tammy Skermont as a substitute school bus driver contingent upon completion of all Article 19A DMV Regulations effective September 10, 2025.
- to appoint Walter Kaminski to the position of Bus Driver, effective September 2, 2025.
- to appoint Tiffany Riker as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 10, 2025.
- to appoint Tiffany Riker as a per diem substitute teacher aide effective September 10, 2025.
- to ratify the agreement with the Sauquoit Valley Teacher's Association.
- that the Treasurer's Reports of Balances for July and August 30, 2025 be approved as presented.
- that the minutes of the August 26, 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 student numbered 1401078 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and agrees to arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for students numbered 1401658, 1401813, 1402040 and 1400739 as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Miscellaneous Topics: Mr. Mike Makuszak gave praise to all three principals, Mr. Read and Mr. Stayton for the smooth opening day at all three buildings. The teacher video on social was great and it is due to district leadership.

October 4th is the MV Challengers football game. Sports Boosters will handle the concession. Students will be playing against law enforcement. All are welcome to attend.

Public to Be Heard: Three different parents spoke about the varsity football team. They felt more students should have played when the score was so high.

Resolution No. 17: made by Ms. Patricia Collins, and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, that the Board of Education go into executive session at 6:23 p.m. to discuss personnel.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Resolution No. 18: made by Mr. Mike Sacco, and seconded by Ms. Patricia Collins, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

The executive session was declared over by the Board President at 7:23 p.m.

Resolution No. 19: made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Goodman
Board Clerk