

The Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, Cedric Dettmar, Vivian Demko, Meghan Lomangino, Shamim Pakzad, and J. Christian Tatu. Also present were Superintendent Jaime Vlasaty, Business Manager David Bonenberger, District Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald, and Board Secretary Wendy Weeast.

- I. **Call to the Order** – 7:04 pm *Vivian Demko, President, presiding*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Wendy Weeast, Board Secretary*
8-Present, 1-Absent (Erickson-Parsons)
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** - Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – February 24, 2026 to discuss SVEA Contract Matter, and a personnel issue. Superintendent goals were not discussed.
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve the Minutes of [February 10, 2026](#) Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **High School SGA Representative's Report** - Kristen Lussier
- IX. **Presentation** - Dr. David Ruth, President & Mr. Jason Laubach, Chief Financial Officer Northampton Community College - Budget 2026-2027
- X. **Superintendent's Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent*
- XI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – None
- XII. **Presentation of Bills** – *David Bonenberger*
 - A. [General Expenditures](#) – \$3,052,485.94
 - B. [Cafeteria Expenditures](#) – \$20,034.23
 - C. [Health Benefits](#) – \$421,247.44
 - D. Capital Projects – None
 1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve the Presentation of Bills. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No
- XIII. **Treasurer's Report** – *Donald Carpenter/David Bonenberger*
 - A. [Cash Investment and Bond Activity – January 31, 2026](#)
 - B. [Condensed Board Summary Report – January 31, 2026](#)

- C. [Budget Transfers – \\$ 30,722.00](#)
- D. [Middle School Activity Report – January 31, 2026](#)
- E. [High School Activity Report – January 31, 2026](#)

1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Broun, seconded by Director Santos, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

XIV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Education

- A. MTSS Presentation - Dr. Bruce Tinor
- B. Elementary Keyboard Update - Dr. Bruce Tinor

Recommendations for Approval

1. Approve [Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 contract](#) for applied behavior analytic services not to exceed \$1,458.40

Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve the item #1. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

2. Approve the second and final reading of the following policies:
[Policy 005](#) - Organization

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve the item #2 Policy 005. Vote: 5-Yes, 3-No (Broun, Dettmar, Pakzad)

[Policy 006](#) - Meetings

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Broun moved to amend the policy by striking the last word "following" from the last paragraph of Policy 006. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

Director Broun, seconded by Director Santos moved to end debate on Policy 006. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

Director Broun, seconded by Director Santos, moved to approve the item #2 Policy 006 Vote: 7-Yes, 1-No (Dettmar)

B. Personnel

1. Approve Heather Inscoe as full time Transportation Administrative Assistant at a yearly rate of \$40,000 with benefits as per the current Administrative Assistants Compensation & Benefits Plan pending completion of employment paperwork.
2. Approve Maryrose Oldt as full time Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) - Instructional Paraprofessional at a rate of \$25.00 per hour

with benefits as per the Compensation and Benefits Plan for the Educational Support Staff. Start date pending receipt of all required employment documentation.

3. Approve FMLA unpaid leave for Scott Barthol from January 3, 2026 to March 27, 2026.
4. Approve the transfer of Emma Triano from Dedicated Building Substitute at the high school to Day-to-Day Substitute effective March 2, 2026.
5. Approve the following coaches for the 2025-2026 school year.
Boys Lacrosse
Ian McLeer - Assistant Coach - Volunteer
Samuel Norwood - Assistant Coach - Volunteer
6. Approve the resignation of David Walker bus driver effective February 11, 2026.
7. Approve the resignation of Christopher Casciotti, paraprofessional, assistant football coach, and statistician effective February 20, 2026.
8. Approve Lex Donatelli as a Sound & Lighting Technician at \$35.00/hour.

Director Tatu, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve the items #1-8. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

C. Facilities

- A. [Facilities Committee Meeting Summary - February 11, 2026](#)

No agenda items for approval.

D. Finance

- A. [Finance Committee Meeting Summary - February 11, 2026](#)

2025-2026 Budget Timeline for the 2026-2027 School Year

May 31, 2026 - *District Deadline* to adopt the 2026-2027 proposed final budget and upload the signed Certification of Use of PDE-2028 into the Consolidated Financial Reporting System application.

June 10, 2026 (20 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to make the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget available for public inspection on PDE-2028.

June 20, 2026 (10 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to offer public notice of its intent to adopt the 2026-2027 final budget.

1. Approve a donation of (1) [6-Tier Wire Shelving Rack with wheels](#) from SVMC for use by Marching Band.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve the item #1. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No (Broun stepped out)

2. Approve a donation of (53) area carpets from SVES PTO to be placed in elementary classrooms by April 2026.

Director Tatu, seconded by Director Santos, moved to approve the item #2. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No (Broun stepped out)

E. Community Updates

- **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *Jay Santos* - Heritage Day May 16, 2026
- **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Laurel Erickson-Parsons* - Robotics Event March 15-16, 2026 hosted by SV

F. Northampton Community College – *Susan Baxter*
(Meetings are on the first Thursday of every month)

G. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – *Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar*
(Meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month)

H. Colonial Intermediate Unit – *Dr. Shamim Pakzad*
(Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of every month)

I. PSBA Representative – Donald Carpenter & Jay Santos - PA Cursive requirement & April 17, 2026 Student Privacy Webinar

J. New Business -

1. Graduate Study Committee (GSC) - Approve the Superintendent or her designee to contact the Saucon Valley Education Association (SVEA-Teachers' Association) to ask if the Board can send an additional member to the meeting for observation only.

Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Pakzad, moved to approve the item #1. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No

2. Nominations for the Saucon Valley Representative to the Northampton Community College - Board of Trustees, commencing on July 1, 2026, for a six-year term.

Director Broun nominated Susan Baxter. Director Santos, seconded by Director Lomaningo, moved to close nominations for this position. Vote: 7-Yes, 1-No (Carpenter)

Approve Susan Baxter to serve as District Representative for Northampton Community College - Board of Trustees for a six-year term to June 30, 2032

3. AI-Generated Meeting Transcripts and Downstream Media Reporting - Board and Solicitor discussion regarding inaccurate transcription by AI and consideration of writing new policy regarding meeting recordings.

K. Old Business

- XV. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments** – Victoria Opthof-Cordaro Lower Saucon provided information to the board regarding Scn2a and asked them to consider reviewing staff qualifications and amount of instructional time for Special Education students.
- XVI. Announcements**
Future Meetings ~
March 10, 2026 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion
March 24, 2026 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion
- XVII. Motion to Adjourn Meeting- Director Demko adjourned the meeting at 10:15 pm.**

ATTEST

Wendy Weeast - Secretary

Vivian Demko - President