

SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Sauquoit, NY 13456

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Presiding Officer: Mr. Anthony Nicotera called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

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

Members Absent: Ex-officio Student Board Members: Madalyn Fredericks and Kaylyn Dreidel.

Administration Present: David Stayton, Superintendent

Others Present: Staff and community members signed in.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Presentation(s):

- Physical Education Plan presentation by Lindsay Kidder. Mrs. Kidder gave a brief explanation of the New York State Education physical education plan that is required to be submitted every 3-5 years. The plan will be presented to the Board of Education members for approval at their next meeting.

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

- Board Operations/Relationships/Development will be scheduling a meeting soon.
- Policy Committee met prior to tonight's meeting at 5:30pm.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. David Stayton

- 5.1 The drawing for Ballot Order was conducted with the result in this order: Karen Hagearty, Anthony Nicotera and Jennifer George.
- 5.2 Student Achievement Award – There are no students from Sauquoit Valley CSD but all are welcome to attend. Event held at Twin Ponds on May 14th, 2026. Cost is \$45 if anyone would like to attend please rsvp Marie Goodman.
- 5.3 Amanda Hartnett is scheduled for tenure on 9/1/26.

Old Business: There was none.

New Business: Mr. Anthony Nicotera stated that action 7.1 to 7.8 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.

Resolution No. 67: made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mr. Mike Sacco:

- to appoint Abigail Gerling as a per diem substitute teacher, pending fingerprint clearance.
- to appoint Grace Gentile as a per diem substitute teacher, effective April 29, 2026.
- to approve Friday, May 22, 2026 and June 26, 2026 as unused snow day providing there is no further need for a snow/emergency day.
- for approval of the BOCES Administrative Budget.

WHEREAS, the BOCES tentative administration budget is adopted by public resolution; and

WHEREAS, copies of the tentative administration, capital and program budgets were received on March 16, 2026 and an information meeting was presented at Oneida BOCES on April 1, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education **APPROVES** the tentative administration budget of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties, in the amount of \$4,719,004.18 for 2026-2027.

- that the minutes of the April 14, 2026 meeting be approved.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor.
- 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 1401851, 1401868, 1402089, 1402053, 1401873, 1401630, 1401259, 1401695, 1401942, 1400440, 1400645, 1401414, 1401243, 1401063, 1400911, 1401503, 1401092, 1402014, 1400603, 1400327, 1401790, 1401345, 1400645, 1401259, 1400890, 1401851, 1401868, 1402084, 1401922, 1402089, 1402020, 1402053, 1401873, 1401869, and 1401942 as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Carried: Ayes: 7, Nays 0

Resolution No. 68: made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mr. Mike Sacco:

- approval for the Cooperative Board's election of candidates:
WHEREAS, the election of Cooperative Board members is to occur by resolution; and

WHEREAS, notification was received on March 31st of the slate of candidates, and an information meeting was presented at Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES on April 1st, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education casts its vote(s) in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties, for the person or persons indicated as follows:

- to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Ms. Michelle Anderson, (Oriskany Central School District), please cast one vote for a three-year term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties:
Mr. Louis Ciotti
110 Paradise Lane
Oriskany, NY 13424
- to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Mr. Steve Boucher, (Remsen Central School District), please cast one vote for a three-year term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties:
Mr. Steve Boucher
9812 Twin Rock Road
Remsen, NY 13438
- to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term held by Mr. Anthony Nicotera, (Sauquoit Valley Central School District), please cast one vote for a three-year term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties:
Mr. Anthony J. Nicotera
9449 Jennifer Lane
Sauquoit, NY 13456
- to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term held by Mr. Michael Head, (Whitesboro Central School District), please cast one vote for a three-year term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties:

Mr. Michael Head
100 Harts Hill Terrace
Whitesboro, NY 13492

Carried: Ayes: 6, Nays 0 and Abstain 1 (Mr. Anthony Nicotera)

Resolution No. 69: made by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Ms. Patricia Collins:

• **RESOLUTION REGARDING STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
REVIEW CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District (the "Board") has considered the effect upon the environment of a District Capital Outlay Project, which will include, but is not limited to the following:

Converting the video system and replacing doors and hardware at the High School

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its architects with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c), now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education as follows:

1. The Proposed Action does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA).
2. The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action as a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
3. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
4. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Carried: Ayes: 7, Nays 0

Miscellaneous Topics: Mr. Mike Makuszak inquired about athletic signing day for students. Mr. Michael Flagg responded that he and Mr. Doug Jones were currently working on the plans for this. Ms. Cathy Pumilia provided positive feedback regarding the Ball in the House concert hosted by the district on Monday night.

Public to Be Heard: None

Resolution No. 70: made by Ms. Patricia Collins and seconded by Mr. Ron Critelli that the Board of Education go into executive session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Resolution No. 71: made by Ms. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Mr. Mike Makuszak that executive session was declared over at 7:24 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Resolution No. 72: made by Ms. Lynn Weibel, and seconded by Mr. Mike Sacco that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Anthony Nicotera called the meeting over at 7:25 p.m.

Carried: Ayes 7, Nays 0.

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Goodman
Board Clerk

