

## SAUQUOIT VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Sauquoit, New York 13456

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, June 9, 2026

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular

**Presiding Officer:** Mr. Anthony Nicotera, President called the meeting to order at 6:04 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

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

**Administration Present:** David Stayton, Superintendent  
Brian Read, Director of Instructional Services

**Others Present:** Staff and community members signed in.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Presentation(s):** Music Department – Ryan Decker

Mr. Decker read all the events that the students attended and competed in. He then went on alphabetically introducing the students and the award(s) that they achieved throughout the 2025-2026 school year. Henryk Lotyczewski, Claire Haile & Brianna Matrulli presented the students with a certificate. Mr. Decker thanked everyone for their hard work and dedicated service to the music field. He also thanked the Board for giving them the opportunity to recognize the students at one of their meetings. The students and music staff then went to the lobby to enjoy an ice cream treat.

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

- A. Each principal gave a presentation to explain the curriculum, instruction, attendance and well-being of the students within their buildings. There are challenges, new programs out there and they all are working at using the one that will benefit the students to become better academically and socially. Questions and answers were shared.
- B. Policy Committee met prior to this meeting and the policies will be presented at the next board meeting for approval.

### **Superintendent's Report: Mr. David Stayton**

- 5.1 Graduation is Friday, June 26, 2026 at 7pm in the stadium weather permitting.
- 5.2 He asked the Board Members to please send an email if you will be attending 2026 graduation, so seating can be arranged.
- 5.3 There is a contact information sheet at your seat. If anything is incorrect please let the board clerk know.

- 5.4 June 12 Senior Parade/Senior Sunset
- 5.5 June 13 Color Dash/Fireworks over Sauquoit in the Town Park.
- 5.6 Senior trip to Ocean City was well received. We received positive feedback. Mr. Stayton thanked Ms. Michelle Babbie and the other staff members for putting this together for the seniors.
- 5.7 Kamryn Yerman went to the states for golf.

**Old Business:** There was none.

**New Business:** Mr. Anthony Nicotera stated that action 7.1 to 7.26 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.

Ms. Lynn Weibel took a moment to recognize and thank Mrs. Cathy Pumilia for her service as a board member, and Mr. Stayton thanked Madalyn Fredericks for her service as an Ex-Officio Student Board Member.

**Resolution No. 79:** made by Mr. Mike Makuszak, and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia:

- to appoint Kaylyn Dreidel as an Ex Officio Student Member of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District Board of Education for the 2026-27 academic year.
- to appoint Alexa Nolan as an Ex Officio Student Member of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District Board of Education for the 2026-27 academic year.
- to appoint Megan Christensen as a per diem substitute teacher effective June 10, 2026.
- to appoint Alexandra Gibbons as a per diem substitute teacher effective June 10, 2026.
- to appoint Marilyn Shaw as Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent effective July 13, 2026.
- to appoint Marilyn Shaw as District Clerk effective July 13, 2026.
- that Nancy Chynoweth's probationary period as bus attendant be permanent effective May 20, 2026 based upon her successful completion of her probationary period.
- that Jaclyn DeFuria's probationary period as Office Specialist, 1 be permanent effective June 8, 2026 based upon her successful completion of her probationary period.
- that Kristyn Sadallah's probationary period as Registered School Nurse be permanent effective June 29, 2026 based upon her successful completion of her probationary period.
- to approve Marie Goodman as a per diem substitute Confidential Secretary effective September 1, 2026.
- to approve a Content Area Coordinator Appointment for 2026-27

<b>K-12</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
<b>Keith Kempney</b>	Technology

- to approve salaries for the following individuals for the 2026-2027 school year:

TITLE	SALARY
Director of Instructional & Business Services	\$145,000
Director of Facilities II	\$75,060
Transportation Supervisor	\$75,060
Confidential Secretary To Superintendent includes stipend as Board Clerk	\$60,320

- that the following people be appointed to fall athletic coaching positions for the 2026-27 school year contingent upon student athlete participation in each sport and pending completion of adult basic CPR and approval of coaching certifications.

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>LEVEL</b>	<b>BOYS &amp;/or GIRLS</b>	<b>COACH NAME</b>
Cross Country	Varsity	Boys & Girls	John Nicotera
Field Hockey	Varsity	Girls	Sarah Marshall
Football (Assistant)	Modified	Boys	Steve Messenger
Soccer	Varsity	Boys	Devin Clive
Soccer	Varsity	Girls	Dan George
Soccer	J.V.	Girls	Brittney Kuhn
Soccer	Modified	Boys	Colin Herbowy Co-Coach
Soccer	Modified	Boys	Marcus Ortis Co-Coach
Soccer	Modified	Girls	Scot Alsante
Tennis	Varsity	Girls	Lindsay Kidder
Tennis (Assistant)	Varsity	Girls	Isabella Arrigo (Volunteer)
Basketball	Varsity	Girls	Todd Martin
Basketball	JV	Boys	Devin Clive
Basketball	Modified	Girls	Isabella Arrigo
Bowling	Varsity & JV	Boys & Girls	Anthony Rocco
Indoor Track	Varsity & JV	Boys & Girls	Scott Prichard
Indoor Track (Assistant)	Varsity & JV	Boys & Girls	Lyman Christensen
Volleyball	Varsity	Boys	Joseph Miller
Volleyball	Varsity	Girls	Brittney Kuhn
Volleyball	JV	Boys	Mike Eisinger
Volleyball	JV	Girls	McKenzie Homer

- to approve the agreement with Charles Cowen and Sauquoit Valley Central School for the 2026-27 school year.

- to appoint Keith Kempney as a teacher on special assignment to serve as the District's Director of Technology for the 2026-27 school year.
- to approve the agreement with Sauquoit Valley Central School and Supervisors (Director of Facilities and Transportation Supervisor).
- to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Education Law states the reorganizational meeting must be held on the first Tuesday in July and if that day is a legal holiday, the meeting must be held on the first Wednesday in July; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board may, by resolution, hold the reorganizational meeting at any time during the first 15 days in July;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education will hold its reorganizational meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026.

- to approve the agreement between the Sauquoit Valley Central School District and Developmental Therapy Associates for the 2026-2027 school year.
- to approve the Cooperative Agreement between Oneida Herkimer Madison BOCES and Sauquoit Valley Central School for the 2026-2027 school year.
- to approve the agreement between Sauquoit Valley Central School District and Upstate Caring Partners to provide certain educational services for students with disabilities in the 2026-2027 school year.
- that the minutes of the May 19, 2026 meeting be approved.
- that the Treasurer's Reports of Balances be approved as presented dated May 31, 2026.
- that authorization be given regarding the payment of bills approved by the claims auditor dated May 21, 2026.
- 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 1401788, 1401266, 1401875, 1401871, 1400962, 1401352, 1401869, 1401221, 1400709, 1400545, 1400652, 1401177, 1400948, 1401092, 1401400, 1400127, 1401723, 103303, 1400488, 1400755, 1401810, 1401251, 1401655, and 1401307, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.
- to appoint Ella Luczak to the position of Elementary Education tenure area, for probationary period of four (4) years to commence January 1, 2026, and to expire December 31, 2029.
- to appoint Sharleen Cardillo as mentor teacher to Ella Luczak for the 2026-27 school year.

**Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.**

**Resolution No. 80:** made by Ms. Patricia Collins, and seconded by Mr. Ronald Critelli:

- that the results of May 19, 2026 annual meeting be recorded as follows:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Budget</b>	316	93	409
	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Diesel Bus</b>	307	96	403

Two (2), Three (3) Year Terms	
Karen Hagearty	140
Anthony Nicotera	279
Jennifer George	278
<b>Write Ins:</b>	
Fredrick Orsino	1
Michael Santino	1
Dave Pastorelli	1

**Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.**

**Resolution No. 82:** made by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Ms. Patricia Collins:

- approval of a Bond Resolution (Buses)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District has undertaken or shall undertake certain capital expenditures, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its General Obligation Serial Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$530,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein, and such amount is hereby appropriated therefor.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as “purpose”) is the acquisition of school buses including, without limitation, the acquisition of three (3) school buses.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum aggregate cost of said purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$530,000, (b) the Sauquoit Valley Central School District plans to finance the cost of said purpose entirely from funds raised by the issuance of said Bonds and the Bond Anticipation Notes

hereinafter referred to, and (c) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. The Sauquoit Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its Bond Anticipation Notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$530,000, and is hereby authorized to issue renewals thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York in order to finance the purpose in anticipation of the issuance of the above described Bonds.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) there are presently no outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipating of the sale of said Bonds, (b) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby are not issued in anticipation for Bonds for an assessable improvement.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the Sauquoit Valley Central School District reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such obligations. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 9. The faith and credit of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes as the same respectively become due and payable. And annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 10. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of New York, including without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue Bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, whether to authorize the receipt of bids in an electronic format, and to sell and deliver said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education or to the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President. The President of the Board of Education and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature any Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes the corporate seal of the School District and to attest the same.

Section 11. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the District Clerk of the School District together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the School District. The validity of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly put to a vote as follows:

**Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.**

**Miscellaneous Topics:** Lynn Weibel expressed gratitude to Cathy Pumilia for her time and effort she made for the three years as a board member. She will be missed.

**Public to be Heard:** One person came forward to express concern of the bullying her daughter is experiencing in the middle school. Mr. Anthony Nicotera stated he was sorry to hear that and that you had to share it. He went on to say, he was sure that the situation will be addressed.

**Executive Session:** There was none.

**Resolution No. 83:** made by Mrs. Cathy Pumilia, and seconded by Mr. Mike Makuszak, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

**Carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Goodman  
Board Clerk