

Seneca Falls Central School District
Board of Education Meeting/Public Hearing
June 18, 2026- 600 PM
Robert McKeveny Training Room

BOE Members Present

Deborah Corsner (arrived at 6:05 pm), Anthony Ferrara, Cara Lajewski, Matthew Lando, Denise Lorenzetti, Michael Mirras, and Joseph McNamara, Erica Sinicropi, Heather Zellers and Kyah Lajewski, Student Board

BOE Members Absent

None

Others present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni, Jodie Verkey, Anna Luisi, Margaret Little, and the cast and crew of the musical, Sharon Esposito along with student athletes, Jesse Federman, Luke Lorenzetti

Michael Mirras called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of the Board of Education was present; the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Agenda

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addendums as listed.

Add under XII. New Business

A. Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

2. SFEA MOA-K-8 Health Savings Account Contributions-IRS Limitations Additional Language

3. SFEA MOA-K-8 Compensation to Match Extra Duty Rate

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend

Board Minutes

None at this time.

Treasurer's Report

March 2026

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2026

Joseph McNamara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Reports

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the following Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Reports:

March 2026

April 2026

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Anthony Ferrara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations

"Anastasia"- 2026 RBTL Stars of Tomorrow Best Production.

Michael Mirras handed out a certificate of recognition to the cast and crew of the musical "Anastasia" who were present. Margaret Little stated that it was a great experience for the students.

GR&EEN Club-Winners of the \$25,000 Recycling System

Michael Mirras handed out a certificate of recognition to the GR&EEN Club and Barbara Reese, their advisor. Mrs. Reese thanked the board for recognizing the students and for supporting the club.

The recycling system won is a vessel system which rotates the waste and uses fans. Air ration system that breaks down the food faster.

Mrs. Reese also reported that the club collaborated with the business class and created a logo for the club. Packaged and sold the compost the club produced making about \$200.

Section V Athlete Recognition

Michael Mirras handed out a certificate of achievement to Monroe Cusson-2026 Section V Class C1 Shot Put-Champion

Harrison Wirth- 2026 Section V Class B Sect. Golf Participant-was not present

Public Comment

Jesse Federman was present and thanked Dr. Reed and James Bruni for their mentorship during his business administrative internship. Jesse also thanked a number of administrators and employees as well.

Committee Reports

None at this time

Information

Warrants 05/01/2026-05/31/2026

Warrant A (89)	\$64,291.31
Warrant A (90)	\$1,406,081.69
Warrant C (39)	\$9,975.41
Warrant C (40)	\$13,385.88
Warrant CM4 (3)	\$48.01
Warrant F (30)	\$1,818.07
Warrant F (31)	\$106.93
Warrant H (42)	\$139,492.02
Warrant H (43)	\$482,371.35

Casey Jesmer-LOA as Custodian 06/05/2026-06/06/2027

Michael Pucino-LOA as Custodian 07/01/2026 – 08/31/2026

Student Board Member

Kyah Lajewski reported on the following:

- Yearbook day was held. Students played corn-hole, can-jam, a bounce house was brought in; Max Drive-In provided food.
- Senior breakfast was coming up as well as rehearsal for graduation.

Anthony Ferrara thanked Kyah for a great year.

Dr. Reed reported Kyah and her met with the incoming student board members for cross-training.

Assistant Superintendent

Jodie Verkey reported on the following:

- The AIS and Professional Learning Plan were on the agenda for approval tonight. Both were updated with stakeholder groups. The plans also need NYSED approval.
- Two teachers had proposals that were approved for “Learning Beyond Classroom Walls”.
- Jennifer Brown continues to move her team forward as there are transitions at the first-grade level. Shout-out to her leadership.

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported that end of the year transfers will be on the July Re-Org agenda. He also stated that he will give a CD financial update once he sees the numbers.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed thanked Joseph McNamara, Cara Lewjeski and Erica Sinicropi on their service to the district. Dr. Reed wanted to especially thank Joe McNamara and Cara Lajewski for their support and bringing her to the district.

BOE President Report

Michael Mirras reported that he held the orientation session with the new board members-using Cara's model she used as board president.

He also thanked the exiting board members on their contributions to the board.

BOE Member Comments

Heather Zellers shared that the incoming board members should take advantage of professional development this summer-it's a key to being successful and the lead the way to the future.

Joseph McNamara thanked everyone for all they have done. He stated that “you can't do it by yourself-you walk with each other”.

Important Dates to Remember

June 23, 2026-UPK Moving Up Ceremony-10:00 am (FK)

June 24, 2026-Grade 5 Awards & Graduation-9:30 am (ECS)
June 25, 2026-8th Grade Promotion-6:00 pm (MA Auditorium)
June 26, 2026-MA Graduation-7:00 pm
July 9, 2026-BOE/Re-Org Meeting
August 6, 2026-BOE/Administrator Workshop

Consent Agenda
Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
SFEA

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

Name: Abigail Bourcy
Position: School Psychologist
Effective: 08/30/2026

Name: Kalyn VanHout
Position: Elementary Education Teacher (Gr. 1)
Effective: 06/30/2026

SFSSA

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

Name: Donna Evans
Position: Cashier/FSH
Effective: 06/26/2026

Appointments
Professional Appointment

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.*)

Name: Rebecca Martello
Position: Special Education Teacher
NYSED Certification: *Pending*
Effective: 07/01/2026
Tenure: Special Education
Probation: *Pending Certification*
Salary: \$52,976 + Masters Stipend

Name: Hunter Brignall
Position: Health Education Teacher (Long Term Substitute)
NYSED Certification: Uncertified
Effective: 07/01/2026
Salary: \$48,000

2026-2027 Teacher Mentors

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education appoint the following teacher mentors for the 2026-2027 school year (to be paid per the SFEA Contract).

Cindy Chutney
Christine Crawford

Bethany Boyes
Anna Luisi-Ellis
Jessica Lorenzetti
Jessica Taylor
Lisa Furletti

2025-2026 Annual Appointments

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

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School

Position	Employee	Stipend
Stanton Singers	Eric Koepke	\$700

Civil Service Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following Civil Service appointment(s) *(All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*.

Name: Francine Giovannini

Position: Health Aide

Effective: 08/01/26

Probationary Period: 08/01/26 through 07/31/2027

Hours/day: 7.0

Hourly Rate: \$23.53

Increase in Hours

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following decrease in hours.

Employee	Position	Hours	Effective
Michael Pucino	Messenger	3 hrs./day to 7 hrs./day	07/01/26 to 08/31/26

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)*.

Name: Annalouise Chappell

Position: Substitute Teacher

NYSED Certification: Uncertified

Effective: 09/01/2026

Probationary to Permanent

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the probationary to permanent appointment of the following employee(s):

Employee	Position	Effective
Hilary Reinwald	Teacher Aide	08/18/2026
Crysti Larizza	Teacher Aide	09/01/2026
Ali Whitton	Teacher Aide	09/11/2026

CSE Minutes

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

04/27/2026, 05/05/2026, 05/07/2026, 05/20/2026(1), 05/20/2026(2), 05/20/2026(3), 05/21/2026, 05/26/2026, 05/27/2026, 06/01/2026, 06/02/2026(1), 06/02/2026(2), 06/03/2026(1), 06/03/2026(1), 06/04/2026, 06/05/2026

Gifts and Donations

None at this time.

2026-2027-Transportation Requests

None at this time.

Overnight Conference Requests/Field Trips

None at this time.

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Corrections to June 4, 2026 Board Resolutions

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to approve the following corrections to as listed:

X. Consent Agenda

B. Appointments

1. Professional Appointment

a. Name: Larraine Mahoney

Position: Math Teacher

NYSED Certification: Math 7-12 Permanent Certification

Effective: 07/01/2026

Tenure: Math Education

Probation: 07/01/2026 through ~~06/30/2030~~ 06/30/2029

Salary: \$63,311.00 + Masters Stipend

c. Name: Elizabeth Hall

Position: Spanish Teacher

NYSED Certification: Spanish 7-12 Professional Certification

Effective: 07/01/2026

Tenure: Spanish Education

Probation: 07/01/2026 through ~~06/30/2030~~ 06/30/2029

Salary: ~~\$63,111.00~~ \$63,311.00 + Masters Stipend

XII. New Business

A. Tenure Recommendations

2. Miranda Tyler

Clifton Springs, NY

Certification: ENL, Professional Certification

Tenure: ~~Special Education~~ TESOL

Effective: 07/01/2026

Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

Contracts, Agreements and MOA's

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following Contracts, Agreements and MOA's:

1. Seneca Falls Administrators Association Contract (SFAA) July 1, 2026- June 30, 2030
2. SFEA MOA-K-8 Health Savings Account Contributions-IRS Limitations Additional Language
3. SFEA MOA-K-8 Compensation to Match Extra Duty Rate

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2026-2027 District Plans

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Seneca Falls Board of Education approves the following Seneca Falls Central School District plans for the 2026-2027 school year:

Seneca Falls CSD Academic Intervention Services (AIS) PLAN 2026 – 2027 School Year

Seneca Falls CSD Organizational Professional Learning Plan-2026 – 2027 School Year

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Policy-2nd Reading

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the second and final reading of the of the following policies:

Policy-2120.2 Voting Procedures
Policy-2210-Board Reorganizational Meeting
Policy-2330-Executive Session
Policy-4000-Student Learning Standards and Instructional Guidelines
Policy-4765-Online Courses and Independent Study
Policy-5100-Student Attendance
Policy-5205-Eligibility for Co-Curricular and Extra-Classroom Activities

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Capital Project Funds

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent and Business Administrator to approve the transfer of funds up to \$35,000.00 for Capital Project change orders for the 2026-2027 school year.

Matthew Lando made the motion, seconded by Joseph McNamara.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2025-2026 Reserve Fund Balance Transfers

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the funding of the following Reserve Funds as listed, as authorized by General Municipal Law, from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

Capital Building Reserve

Up to a maximum of two-million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

Capital Bus Reserve

Up to a maximum of one-million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from un- appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

Employee Retirement System Reserve

Up to a maximum of one-million dollars (\$1,000,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

EBLAR Reserve (Employee Benefit, Liability and Accrual Reserve)

Up to a maximum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

Workers Compensation Reserve

Up to a maximum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from un-appropriated fund balance as of June 30, 2026.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Cara Lajewski.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The Mynderse Academy Distinguished Alum

Michael Mirras asked for a motion that the Board of Education recognizes that:

The Mynderse Academy Distinguished Alum recognition was formed in 2026 to annually recognize an alum of Mynderse Academy through outstanding accomplishments, positive contributions to their community, active civic engagement, and significant achievements in their field.

The Mynderse Academy Distinguished Alum Program serves to honor an alum annually at the Mynderse Academy graduation and to inspire current and future Mynderse Academy students.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Deborah Corsner.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Executive Session
Litigation

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:33 pm to discuss details of proposed, current or pending litigation.

Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Matthew Lando.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

The regular meeting resumed at 8:21 pm.

Adjourn

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 pm.

Cara Lajewski made the motion, seconded by Erica Sinicropi.

Yes 9 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

**Capital Project walk through after BOE meeting.

Monica Kuney, District Clerk