

- I. **Call to the Order** – 7:09 pm *Vivian Demko, President, presiding*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Wendy Weeest, Board Secretary*
7-Present, 2-Absent (Erickson-Parsons, Santos)
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** - Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Broun, moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – August 25, 2026 to discuss personnel and Assistant Superintendent evaluation
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Broun, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve the Minutes of [August 11, 2026](#) Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **High School SGA Representative's Report** - None
- IX. **Presentation** – None
- X. **Superintendent's Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent* - SVSD Video, Convocation, Substitutes & Mentors, US News Report, SAT instruction, Univ of PA tutoring program
- XI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – None
- XII. **Presentation of Bills** – *David Bonenberger*
 - A. [General Expenditures](#) - \$901,035.86
 - B. [Cafeteria Expenditures](#) - \$16,371.71
 - C. [Health Benefits](#) - \$412,241.63
 - D. **Capital Projects** - None
 1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve the Presentation of Bills. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No
- XIII. **Treasurer's Report** – *Donald Carpenter/David Bonenberger*
 - A. [Cash Investment and Bond Activity- July 30, 2026](#)
 - B. [Condensed Board Summary Report - July 30, 2026](#)
 - C. **Budget Transfers** - None
 - D. **Middle School Activity Report** - No Report
 - E. **High School Activity Report** - No Report
 1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report.
Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

XIV. Committee Reports

- A. Academic & Personnel** - *J. Christian Tatu* No Report
- B. Facilities** - *Laurel Erickson-Parsons* No Report
- C. Finance** - *Donald Carpenter* Summary No Report

XV. Unfinished Business - None

XVI. New Business -

A. Education

1. Approve the first reading of the following policies:
[Policy 718 Service Animals in Schools](#)

Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Demko, moved to approve Education item #1. Vote:
7-Yes, 0-No

B. Personnel

1. Approve the following Homebound Instructors for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of \$45.00 per hour.
Thomas Koch
Lara McCarthy
Chad Shirk
2. Approve the following part time lifeguards at a rate of \$13.00 per hour.
Aubrey Hallman
Gabriel Silverthorn
Brady Skuba
3. Approve Sean Fenoff as the Recreational Swim Membership Pool Supervisor at \$20.00 per hour, 10 hours per week, no benefits, for the 2026-2027 school year.
4. Approve the following individuals as General Kitchen Help at \$16.16 per hour and benefits per the current Food Service Agreement, effective upon completion of employment paperwork.
Kalliope Mouras
Briana Rich
Heather Rivas
5. Approve Paul Race Jr as a Part-Time Bus Driver with wage and benefits as per the Education Support Professional contract pending completion of employment paperwork

6. Approve the transfer of Barabara Germanetti from Part-Time to Full-Time Bus Driver, effective for the start of the 2026-2027 school year.
7. Approve Rebecca Boylan 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.
8. Approve the following Dedicated Building Substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of \$175 per day, working four days of the five day school/work week where needed in assigned school buildings, effective upon completion of employment paperwork
Matthew Eager
Sophia Lear
Lillian Speicher
9. Approve the following Day-to-Day Substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year.
Meghan Fainor Lillian Speicher
Taryn Koch Sarah Vito - School Nurse
Robert Pasternak Kenneth Walchinsky
10. Approve the following mentors for second year teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary is in accordance with the current professional agreement, which may be prorated if the mentorship is not a full year.

<u>Inductee</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Matthew Dezzi	Joanna Suriel
Kelly Miller	Dianna Shotwell
Angela Rohrbaugh	Katie Fisher
Nicole Cunningham	Jasmine Kozero
Michael Adams	Jeremy Kittek
Madison Nastasi	Rachel Alderfer
Jennifer Velez	Becky Harvey/ Bev Sparling
Sara Eidemuller	Ruben Rivero
Kristen Kallert	Julie Bechtold
11. Approve the following Mentors for Substitutes with a stipend of \$1,500.00 per position for the 2026-2027 school year.
Jennifer Davison
Robert Kachmar
Melissa Maynard

12. Approve Theresa Paul as a full time High School Administrative Assistant at a yearly rate of \$40,000 with benefits as per the current Administrative Assistants Compensation and Benefits Plan pending completion of employment paperwork.
13. Approve the resignation of Maryrose Oldt, Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) - Instructional Paraprofessional, effective August 12, 2026.
14. Approve the resignation of Anna Isbell, K-12 ELD Instructional Paraprofessional, effective August 17, 2026
15. Approve the resignation of Lynne Mayard, Dedicated Building Substitute Secretary, effective August 20, 2026.
16. Approve the resignation of Emma Barrell, Dedicated Building Substitute, effective August 21, 2026.

Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Personnel items #1-16. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

C. Facilities

1. Approve the 2026-2027 bus routes and bus drivers, subject to change based on enrollment.

Director Lomangino, seconded by Director Broun, moved to approve Facilities item #1. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

D. Finance

1. Approve the [statement of work with emPower](#) for up to twenty (20) hours of instructional coaching at \$275 per hour not to exceed \$5,500 and up to twenty hours of on-site observation at \$300 per hour not to exceed \$6,000.
2. Approve the [contract for one-to-one services](#) with the Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 for the 2026-2027 school year.
3. Approve the [Recreational Swim Program](#) for the 2026-2027 season.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve Finance items #1-3. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

E. Community Updates

1. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *Jay Santos* - No Report
2. **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Laurel Erickson-Parsons* - No Report
3. **Northampton Community College** – *Susan Baxter* - No Report

4. **Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School** – *Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar* - No Report
5. **Colonial Intermediate Unit** – *Meghan Lomangino* - No Report
6. **PSBA Representative** – *Donald Carpenter & Jay Santos* - [Webinar January 16](#) information for individuals interested in being a School Board Director.
7. **Saucon Valley Partnership** - *William Broun & Jay Santos* - No Report

F. Board Director Initiated Items

1. Resignation of Dr. Laurel Erickson-Parsons

Director Broun, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve Board item #1 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

Presentation by Director Tatu - Recommendations and guidelines to fill Board Director Vacancies.

Director Pakzad, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to add a Special Meeting on Tuesday September 15, 2026 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of filling the director vacancy. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Pakzad, moved to approve the following guidelines for the Special Meeting:

I move that we publicize the opening of a school board director position through ways that are possible for the district communications director to achieve in short order.

Interested applicants shall submit a letter of interest to the board secretary electronically, or deliver a physical copy to the district during normal operating hours.

The deadline for submission of the letter of intent is 12:00 pm on September 11, 2026. The Board recommends a short statement detailing why the candidate is interested but it is not required.

Should more than 5 candidates submit a letter of interest, the Board secretary shall send out the full list of candidates names to the current Board members. Each member may vote yay or nay for each candidate. These votes must be given back to the Board Secretary by Monday at 8:00 am. If a candidate receives at least 3 yay votes from the current Board members, they shall be added to the Board agenda for a special meeting on September 15, 2026. If less than 5 candidates apply, all will be included on this agenda.

At the September 15th special meeting each candidate shall be given up to 5 minutes to introduce themselves and give their reasons for seeking the position. Lots will be drawn to determine the order.

After the introduction statement, a question and answer session shall follow where each board member shall be allowed to ask one question of the candidate who will hold the floor during

their answer and may field for interruptions, should they wish. The candidate will have up to 3 minutes to answer each question. At the conclusion of the candidate's answer, the questioner shall be allowed one follow up question and the candidate shall have up to 1 minute to respond to this follow up. The reverse lot order shall be used for the question and answer round.

At the conclusion of the question and answer session the board shall deliberate and propose motions to elect the next board member following parliamentary procedure.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

XVII. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments – None

XVIII. Board Comments -

**A. Director Broun - SVEA service Lara McCarthy, New SVEA President
Eric Focht**

B. Director Pakzad - Start of School Year

XIX. Announcements -

A. Business Meeting September 8, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion

B. Special Meeting September 15, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion

C. Business Meeting September 22, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion

XX. Adjournment Director Demko adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm .

ATTEST

Wendy Weeast - Secretary

Vivian Demko - President