

# Saucon Valley School District

## Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

September 22, 2026

### High School Audion

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Welcome to the meeting of the Saucon Valley School Board. Our objective is to serve the students, parents, and residents of our community. You are an important part of this meeting, and we look forward to your questions and comments.

We are all here for the same reason. All opinions are welcomed and equally valuable. Our only request is that we address each other with civility and respect. Our courtesy toward each other is the best way to show our students how much we respect them as well.

**Notice to Public** - This is to notify all in attendance at the Saucon Valley School Board meeting that the district is video and audio-taping the meeting, and the meeting will be posted for public viewing according to district policy.

## Agenda

6:30 pm – Executive Session to discuss evaluation of the Assistant Superintendent

- I. **Call to the Order** – Vivian Demko, President, presiding
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – Wendy Weeast, Board Secretary
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda**
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – September 22, 2026 to discuss the evaluation of the Assistant Superintendent.
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – [September 8, 2026](#) and [September 15, 2026](#)
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **High School SGA Representative's Report** - None
- IX. **Presentation** – None
- X. **Superintendent's Report** – Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent
- XI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – Visitors should state their name and address.
- XII. **Presentation of Bills** – David Bonenberger
  - A. [General Expenditures](#) - \$1,047,074.93
  - B. [Cafeteria Expenditures](#) - \$45,590.63
  - C. [Health Benefits](#) - \$315,882.10
  - D. **Capital Projects** - None

**Recommendations for Approval****Presentation of Bills**

1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.

Recommendation: To approve all motions and recommendations in the Presentation of Bills.

**XIII. Treasurer's Report – Donald Carpenter/David Bonenberger**

- A. [Cash Investment and Bond Activity- August 31, 2026](#)
- B. [Condensed Board Summary Report - August 31, 2026](#)
- C. **Budget Transfers** - None
- D. [Middle School Activity Report - August 31, 2026](#)
- E. [High School Activity Report - August 31, 2026](#)

**Recommendations for Approval****Treasurer's Report**

1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Recommendation: To approve all motions and recommendations in the Treasurer's Report.

**XIV. Committee Reports**

- A. **Academic & Personnel** - *J. Christian Tatu* No Report
- B. **Facilities** - No Report
- C. **Finance** - *Donald Carpenter* [Summary September 9, 2026](#)

**XV. Unfinished Business - None****XVI. New Business -****A. Education****School Physical & Dental Exam**

1. Approve modification to school physical and dental exam timeline in accordance with current Policy 209 for consideration and approval by the PA Department of Health.

**Eastern University Affiliation Agreement**

2. Approve the [letter of affiliation agreement with Eastern University](#) for field experience hours, student teaching placements and internship/practicum experience effective September 8, 2026.

**Valdosta State University Affiliation Agreement**

3. Approve the [letter of affiliation agreement with Valdosta State University](#) through its Dewar College of Education and Human Services for a period of ten years commencing September 16, 2026.

Recommendation: To approve all motions and recommendations as listed above in Education

**B. Personnel****Part-Time Paraprofessional**

1. Approve Natalia Garcia as a part-time K-12 ELD Paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$21.19 with benefits as per the Educational Support Staff Compensation and Benefits Plan.

**2026-2027 Dedicated Building Substitute Teacher**

2. Approve Molly McLaine as a Dedicated Building Substitute 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 an assigned school building, effective upon completion of employment paperwork.

**2026-2027 Co-Curricular Positions**

3. Approve the co-curricular positions for the 2026-2027 school year.

**High School**

Kaela Bitting - Pit Orchestra Director \$2,000.00

Lex Donatelli - Theater Director 9-12 \$7,160.00

Jon Girton - Creative Media & Communications Club Advisor \$2,000.00

Jon Girton - Musical Set & Construction Designer \$2,219.00

Elizabeth Kerlin - Musical Choreographer \$2,007.00

Rebecca Pieper-Bohun - Vocal Director Theater 9-12 \$2,255.00

Calista Unger - Assistant Musical Director \$1,480.00

**2026-2027 Athletic Coaches**

4. Approve the following coaches for the 2026-2027 school year.

**Girls Wrestling - Winter**

Robert Schlegel - Assistant Coach Volunteer

**Girls Lacrosse - Spring**

Nicole Martins- Assistant Coach \$1,751.00

**Resignation Food Service**

5. Approve the resignation of Brenda Bohlen, part-time Food Service worker effective August 10, 2026.

**Recommendation:** To approve all motions and recommendations as listed above in Personnel.

**C. Facilities**

No agenda items

**Recommendation:** No recommendations

**D. Finance****KCBA Architects Proposal\***

1. Approve the [proposal with KCBA Architects](#) in the amount of \$23,240.00 for the door replacement project.

**Lobar Associates Construction KPN Contract\***

2. Approve [Contract No. KPN-2026JOCC-46 with Lobar Associates Construction](#) in the amount of \$274,463.60 for the Renovation of the High School Faculty Room into a new Family Consumer Science (FCS) Room, as set forth in the Job Order No. 153767.00, Scope of Work, and Contractor's Cost Proposal-Summary and Cost Proposal-Detail dated April 27, 2026. The approval is contingent upon receipt of all governmental approvals required for the project and the issuance of the Building Permit from the local municipality. The approval is further made contingent upon the receipt of the appropriate performance and payment bonds and certificate of insurance, in compliance with the contract documents.

**S.J. Thomas Company Inc. KPN Contract\***

3. Approve [Contract No. KPN-2026JOCC-47 with S.J. Thomas Company, Inc.](#) in the amount of \$95,120.53 for the Electrical Work for the Renovation of the High School Faculty Room into a new Family Consumer Science (FCS) Room, as set forth in the Job Order No. 153767.01, Scope of Work, and Contractor's Cost Proposal-Summary and Cost Proposal-Detail dated April 27, 2026. The approval is contingent upon receipt of all governmental approvals required for the project and the issuance of the Building Permit from the local municipality. The approval is further made contingent upon the receipt of the appropriate performance and payment bonds and certificate of insurance, in compliance with the contract documents.

**MKSD Architects Proposal\***

4. Approve [MKSD Architects proposal](#) to provide Architectural & Engineering Design Services for:
  - a) Music department in the amount of \$17,160.00
  - b) Art department in the amount of \$10,340.00

**Musical Theatre International (MTI) contract**

5. Approve the contract with MTI for the high school spring musical pending review of the district solicitor. The unveiling of the show will be announced within 30 days of the approval.

**SVIPE Club Class Change**

6. Approval of Saucon Valley Indoor Percussion Ensemble (SVIPE) from Class III to Class II club.

**Policy 707 AR-2 Facilities Use Fee Schedule\***

7. Approve the first reading of [Policy 707 AR-2 Facilities Use Fee Schedule](#).

Recommendation: To approve all motions and recommendations as listed above in Finance.

**E. Community Updates**

1. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *Jay Santos*
2. **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** –
3. **Northampton Community College** – *Susan Baxter*  
(Meetings are on the first Thursday of every month)
4. **Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School** – *Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar*  
(Meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month)
5. **Colonial Intermediate Unit** – *Meghan Lomangino*  
(Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of every month)
6. **PSBA Representative** – *Donald Carpenter & Jay Santos*

**Recommendations for Approval****Election of PSBA Officers**

- a) Approve the PSBA officers per [board ballots](#).

7. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Community Engagement**- *William Broun & Jay Santos*

**F. Board Director Initiated Items**

1. **Saucon Valley Foundation for Education Innovation**  
Approve \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as District Representative for the SVFEI to December 2026.
2. **Committee Assignments**
  - a) **Facilities:** Members Vivian Demko, Meghan Lomangino, Jay Santos (One Opening)
  - b) **Finance:** Members Donald Carpenter, Cedric Dettmar, Shamin Pakzad (One Opening)

**XVII. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments** – *Visitors should state their name and address.*

**XVIII. Board Comments** -

**XIX. Announcements** -

A. **Business Meeting October 13, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion**

B. **Business Meeting October 27, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion**

**XX. Adjournment**

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