Seneca Valley School District

SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 7 p.m.

Public Agenda

October 5, 2026

**** Subject to Change****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Tim Hester, Vice President

   A. **Moment of Silence**

   B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – "I Led the Pledge" – Bennett Frazier – Grade 3 – Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School.

   C. **Roll Call**

2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

   A. **Student/Staff Recognition**

      1. Officials from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation recently announced Seneca Valley Seniors Mac Wilson, Albert Pimenov and Benny Johnson have been named as Commended Students in the 2027 National Merit Scholarship Program. The students were recognized for their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry. More information can be found at svsd.net.

      2. Ehrman Crest Elementary and Middle School has been selected by Remake Learning as one of 57 innovations that have shaped Pittsburgh's learning landscape. The '57: Remaking Learning in Pittsburgh and Beyond' features projects from classrooms, libraries, museums, parks, community centers and more that are offering a glimpse of what's possible when people rethink why learning happens. Read the entire publication HERE.

   B. **Dates to Remember**

October	
October	National Principals Month
October 8	SV Homecoming Carnival (5 p.m.) and Parade (7 p.m.), Secondary Campus
October 9	SV Homecoming Court Recognition and Football Game, 6:30 p.m., NexTier Stadium
October 10	SV Homecoming Dances, 7-10 p.m., IHS & SHS
October 10	World Mental Health Day

October 12	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day
October 12	Regular School Board Meeting – 7 p.m. – IHS Auditorium
October 17	PSAT Testing – SHS
October 20	SVAOC End of First Nine Weeks, Grades 7-12
October 21	Winter Sport Drug Testing and Concussion Testing – SHS Athletic Office – 2:45 p.m.
October 21	Roblox Safety and Online Predators Presentation with PA State Police, 6 p.m., Haine Elementary and Middle School
October 22	Ehrman Crest Elementary/Middle School Fun Run
October 23	Act 80 Day – No School for Students
October 23	SV End of First Nine Weeks, Grades 7-12
October 27	CVE Fall Family Fun Night
October 31	Halloween
November 1	Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 1	Seneca Valley Foundation's Fourth Annual Ryan Gloyer Memorial Run/Walk presented by Westinghouse – Secondary Campus – 9 a.m. SFC Ryan Gloyer Memorial Run
November 2	National School Psychology Week Begins
November 2	School Board Work Session – 7 p.m. – IHS Auditorium

C. **Agency Report** - Vo-Tech - Mr. Hester/Mr. Brower

D. **School Board Training Session Update**

E. **BioTech Lab Stakeholder Group** – Request for Board Member to join the BioTech Stakeholders Group.

F. **Student Enrollment**

G. **Financial Reports**

1. Operations
2. Seneca Valley Grades 7-12 Activities
3. Athletics
4. Food Service
5. Tax Collections
6. Capital Projects Funds

3. **ACTION AGENDA**

A. **Public Comment**

B. **Change Order** – Approve the construction change order for the Intermediate High School/Performing Arts Center (IHS/PAC).

C. **Adelphoi Education Services** - Approve the agreement with Adelphoi Education Services for the provision of educational services for enrolled student for the 2026-2027 school year. Pending solicitor review.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. **Action Meeting** – September 14, 2026

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS**
2026 – 2027 Grand Total: $4,800,158.61

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS**
2026 - 2027 Grand Total: $1,952,936.67

8. **ADMINISTRATION**

A. **Board Policies** – Approve the following:

1. Board Policy 204 – Attendance – revised, second and final reading.
2. Boad Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance - revised, second and final reading.
3. Board Policy 704 – Maintenance – new, second and final reading.
4. Board Policy 901.1 – Social Media - revised, first reading.

B. **Research Studies** – Approve the following research studies:

1. Ivan Aranha Doctoral Research Study: Approve a qualitative study, conducted as part of doctoral research at Gwynedd Mercy University and approved by IRB, examining how school-based administrators experience and respond to teacher staffing challenges. Eligible Seneca Valley principals and assistant principals serving students within the K–6 grade span may voluntarily participate in a confidential virtual interview lasting approximately 45–60 minutes.

2. Quincy Gildea Dissertation Study: "Increasing School Connectedness Amongst English Language Learners" - Through this dissertation study, Quincy Gildea will utilize the data collected following a professional development session with a focus group of educators from the Intermediate High School on effective instructional practices for supporting English Language Learners (ELLs), with an emphasis on language acquisition, school connectedness, belonging, and engagement in the general education setting. Participating educators will complete pre- and post-surveys to examine the impact of the professional development on their confidence in supporting ELL students. While the study will focus on educator learning and confidence, the findings may help inform future efforts to support ELL students across Seneca Valley. Seneca Valley School District will not be identified in the dissertation, and all participant identities will remain confidential. This study was submitted to IRB for review and acknowledged.

C. **Board Secretary** – Reappoint Ms. Julia Benson to serve as School Board Secretary for the current term ending June 30, 2028.

D. **Vo-Tech JOC Representatives** – Appoint Mr. Tim Hester and Mr. Nick Brower as Butler County Area Vocational-Technical School Joint Operating Committee (BCAVTS JOC) representatives.

E. **School Bus Drivers** - Approve the additional bus driver list for the 2026-27 school year as provided by transportation vendor of First Student Inc.

9. **INSTRUCTION**

A. **Conferences** – Approve conference requests.

B. **Student Trips** - Approve the following student trips:

1. The 7-12th Grade Student Council trip to Clarks Summit, PA on November 12-14, 2026, under the supervision of SHS teacher, Ms. Rebecca Mutschler, RGMS Guidance Counselor, Mr. LaVarr Stephens-Howling and RGMS teacher, Ms. Staci Hughes. Students will miss two days of instruction. The trip is at no cost to the District.
2. The Seneca Valley Girls Basketball program (Varsity & JV) trip to Tampa Bay, FL (previously approved for Orlando, FL), December 27-31, 2026, under the supervision of coaches Dorothea Epps, Julia Fornadel, Amanda Kalin and Krystal Epps. The trip is at no cost to the District.
3. The Seneca Valley Baseball program (Varsity and JV) trip to Orlando, FL, March 19-22, 2027, under the supervision of Head Coach, Mr. Eric Semega and assistant coaches. The trip is at no cost to the District.

C. **Grant Disbursements** - Grant permission to apply for and disburse, if approved:

1. The Heros & Helpers 2026 Grant in the amount of $2,000, funded by Target and requested by Ms. Gildea, Dr. Wilcher and Ms. Kress. Funds will be used to support Haine's "Shop with a Cop" event with the Cranberry Township Police Department.
2. The Holocaust Education Grant in the amount of $1,000, funded by Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation and requested by Ms. Russo and Ms. Gildea. Funds will be used to support Holocaust Education events and projects offered through the IHS Light Center and 10th grade English classes.

D. **School at McGuire Memorial** - Approve the agreement with the School at McGuire Memorial for Extended School Year (ESY) program and services for ESY 2027. Pending solicitor review.

E. **Butler County Community College Agreement** – Approve the agreement with Butler County Community College for the Seneca Valley School District to serve as an American Heart Association Training Site to prove training to students and staff.

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCE**

A. **Joint Purchasing Agreement AIU** - Approve the Joint Purchasing Agreement Resolution for the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for the 2026-2027 school year.

B. **Greentrail Solutions** - Approve a one-year agreement with Greentrail Solutions to provide software for tracking food purchases from sources outside of the United States, including food products and ingredients. This tracking is required by the United States Department of Agriculture. Pending solicitor review.

11. **PERSONNEL** – Approve resignations, appointments, contracted service, leaves, tenure and retirements.

12. **LETTERS SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**

a. Doug Boyd
b. Julie Jones
c. Erin Wroblewski
d. Nancy Duerring
e. Amanda Razzano-Latham
f. Tharina Impellizzeri
g. The Herrick Family

13. **ADJOURNMENT**