

The Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, Cedric Dettmar, Meghan Lomangino, Sandra Miller, Shamim Pakzad, and J. Christian Tatu. Also present were Superintendent Jaime Vlasaty, Business Manager David Bonenberger, District Solicitor Timothy Gilsbach, and Board Secretary Wendy Weeast.

- I. **Call to the Order** – 7:04 pm Meghan Lomangino, Vice President, presiding
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Wendy Weeast, Board Secretary*
7-Present , 2-Absent (Demko, Santos)
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** - Director Broun, seconded by Director Miller, moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – September 22, 2026 to discuss the evaluation of the Assistant Superintendent.
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve the Minutes of [September 8, 2026](#) and [September 15, 2026](#) Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain (Miller - newly appointed)
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **High School SGA Representative's Report** - None
- IX. **Presentation** – None
- X. **Superintendent's Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent* - What's so cool about Healthcare, 11/5 Parent Safety Night, PowerSchool Student Update, SAT
- XI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – None
- 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

1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Miller, 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- 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](#)

1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Miller, 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** - No Report
- C. **Finance** - *Donald Carpenter* [Summary September 9, 2026](#)

XV. Unfinished Business - None**XVI. New Business** -**A. Education**

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.
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.
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.

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

B. Personnel

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.
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.

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

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Personnel items #1-6.
Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

C. Facilities

No agenda items

D. Finance

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

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Miller, moved to approve Finance item #1.
Vote: 6-Yes, 1-No (Pakzad)

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.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Lomangino, moved to approve Finance item #2.
Vote: 5-Yes, 2-No (Broun, Dettmar)

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.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve Finance item #3.

Vote: 5-Yes, 2-No (Broun, Dettmar)

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

Director Broun, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Finance item #4a&b.

Vote: 6-Yes, 1-No (Tatu)

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.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to amend Finance item #5 to add the amount of \$6,874.00. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve Finance item #5.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

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

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Finance item #6.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

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

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve Finance item #7.

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** – No Report
3. **Northampton Community College** – *Susan Baxter* - No Report
4. **Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School** – *Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar* - Construction project on pace for Fall 2027 opening
5. **Colonial Intermediate Unit** – *Meghan Lomangino* - No Report
6. **PSBA Representative** – *Donald Carpenter & Jay Santos* - [Webinar 10/2 State Ethics Act](#) and Board Ballots
 - a) Approve the PSBA officers per [board ballots](#).
7. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Community Engagement**- *William Broun & Jay Santos* - Program meeting next month

F. Board Director Initiated Items

1. **Saucon Valley Foundation for Education Innovation**
Approve _____ to serve as District Representative for the SVFEI to December 2026.

Director Pakzad nominated Director Dettmar to serve as District Representative for SVFEI to December 2026.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Miller nominated Director Lomangino to serve as District Representative for SVFEI to December 2026.

Director Dettmar declined.

Director Lomangino accepted.

2. **Committee Assignments**

- a) **Facilities: Members Vivian Demko, Meghan Lomangino, Jay Santos (One Opening)**

Director Pakzad nominated Director Miller to serve on the Facilities Committee. Director Miller accepted.

- b) **Finance: Members Donald Carpenter, Cedric Dettmar, Shamin Pakzad (One Opening)**

Director Pakzad nominated Director Tatu to serve on the Finance Committee. Director Tatu accepted.

XVII. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments – None

XVIII. Board Comments - None

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 Director Lomangino adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.

ATTEST

Wendy Weeast - Secretary

Meghan Lomangino - Vice President