Seneca Falls Central School District
Board of Education Meeting
October 22, 2026- 600 PM
Robert McKeveny Training Room

BOE Present

Morgan Cruz, Anthony Ferrara, Michael Lambert, Denise Lorenzetti, Luke Lorenzetti, and Michael Mirras (arrived at 6:10 pm)

BOE Absent

Deborah Corsner, Matthew Lando and Heather Zellers

Others Present

Dr. Michelle Reed, James Bruni, Jodie Docteur, Amy Hibbard and Janet Clendenen

Denise Lorenzetti 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

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addendums as listed.
Add under X. Consent Agenda
3. 2026 Winter Coaches

Employee	Position	Stipend	Certification
Kari Jenson	7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	$2,255.00	*Pending*
Marnie Impastato	Modified Indoor Track Coach	$2,685.00	*Pending*
Deanna Connelly	Varsity Bowling Coach	$3,710.00	*Pending*
Kyle Bower	Bowling NON-Paid Assistant	n/a	TCL Exp. 01/31/27

Morgan Cruz made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Approve or Amend
Board Minutes
October 8, 2026 Board of Education Minutes

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education minutes dated October 8, 2026.
Michael Lambert made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

October 15, 2026 Board of Education Minutes Special Meeting Minutes

Denise Lorenzetti asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education Special Meeting minutes dated October 15, 2026.
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Michael Lambert.
Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Treasurer's Reports
None at this time
Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report
None at this time

Michael Mirras arrived at 6:10 pm.

Recognitions, Celebrations and Presentations
Administrator Reports-Elementary Schools
Frank Knight Elementary School

Janet Clendenen reported the following:
Building Goals:
Academic Excellence and Future Readiness

- Fall administration completed (Sept. 8 - Oct. 9)
- Grade 2 results shared with Grade 2 Team during Oct. 13 PLC with Mrs. Oberdorf. Specific skills/strategies below grade level were identified. Guiding questions were provided to lead group discussions. Follow-up regarding additional strategies and resources was shared.
- Kindergarten and 1st will review data at their next PLC (Oct. 20 and Oct. 27).
- K-2 Teams worked on Into Reading components and small group instruction on Supt. Conf. Day.
- Jennifer Young (Literacy Coach) will begin scheduling PD in November.
- Fall administration completed (Sept. 8 - Oct. 9)

Safe and Supportive Learning Environments for All

- Monthly meetings have started. All students who were chronically absent last year and have started to exhibit attendance concerns this year were reviewed. Designated staff reached out to families and letters were home.
- Information was included in our September Newsletter, highlighting the importance of daily attendance.
- Attendance data has been shared at each grade level's monthly PLC. (K-9/29, 1st-9/22 , 2nd-9/15 & 10/13)

Connections and Collaborations

- The MTSS team used last year's results and teacher feedback to begin social skills groups to get a cycle in before the survey was completed.
- The fall administration occurred during the month October.
- We revisited language during our September Faculty Meeting.
- The MTSS Team will share the survey results at the November Faculty Meeting.

Celebrations:

- PTO: Scholastic Bookfair, Grade 2 Skate Party
- Construction/Building Moves/Change in Drop-Off Procedures

- Open House
- September: Blue Kick-Off Assembly
- September: Cornell Cooperative Extension 2nd Grade Agricultural Lessons
- October 6: Fire Prevention Week with Fire Truck & Presentation

Upcoming Events

- October 20: First Blue Building Reward
- October 24: PTO Sponsored Trunk or Treat
- October 28: The REV Theatre Co.
- October 30: Halloween Sing Along at 1:45
- November 10: Veterans Day Program
- December 17 & 18: Parent Teacher Conferences
- December 22: Grade 2 Holiday Show at 1:30
- December 23: Holiday Sing Along at 1:45

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School

Amy Hibbard reported the following:

Academic Excellence and Future Readiness

- iReady lessons and diagnostics were reviewed at September Faculty Meeting and by team leaders.
- October 9 - Literacy Coach (Jennifer Young) provided instruction on how to use iReady data to inform small group instruction.
- Literacy Coach will be provided 1:1 coaching with teachers on use of iReady data. This will happen throughout October 2026.
- 4th Grade “WIN” (What I Need) started on October 1 and has been very positive so far! Students were put into groups, based on benchmarking assessments, into 1 of 11 groups.

Safe and Supportive Learning Environments for All

- Provide families with regular communication about the importance of attendance at school and of their student’s attendance rate
- Meetings and interventions started on 10/5/26.
- New this year was talking to students about their attendance. This started in September and will be ongoing.
- Information was sent in the September and October Family newsletters and ongoing.
- New this year, our “BLUE Moments”, reinforce some positive behaviors. Started off with an Attendance BLUE Moment and taught all students a lesson on how their attendance is an important part of their classroom community.
- Check-ins with flagged attendance students are part of our monthly interventions.
- “Habits of a Champion” was posted the first week of October to celebrate our Gold, Silver & Bronze attendance achievers for September. Students were very excited!

Connections and Collaborations

- Panorama “Sense of Belonging” was completed by the PBIS and MTSS teams this summer.
- Use of survey feedback to provide targeted interventions for students is scheduled for November 2026.
- Completed PBIS lesson on Sense of Belonging in September 2026 (during September Blue Moment).
- Expectations were revisited in the September faculty meeting and new ideas will be presented at the November faculty meeting.
- Lessons were created and scheduled on our PBIS calendar.
- Part of our Faculty Meeting Plans for the year is to implement culturally responsive classroom strategies and build strong relationships to create a safe and welcoming environment for all students.

Celebrations

- Grade 3 Orientation: 90% of families attended
- Open House: Grade 4 had 66% of families attend (45/68) and Grade 5 had 73% of families attend (61/83).
- PTO Events: School Pictures, Scholastic Book Fair, Gr 5 Roller Skating
- New Student Breakfast: 13 out of 14 attended
- PBIS: Annual Kickoff Assembly, Teaching of Lessons, Celebrating Success
- Field Trips
- Gr 3 & 4 to Fun on the Farm in September
- Gr 5 to FLCC on October 19
- Rev Theater:
- Gr 3: Alice in Wonderland (Oct. 21)

Upcoming Events:

- Pumpkin Walk: Oct. 23, 6-7:30 pm
- Trimester 1 Progress Reports: mailed the week of Oct. 26
- Student of the Month: starting Oct. 30 - thank you Mark’s Pizzeria!
- Red Ribbon Week: Oct. 26-30 - thank you PBIS team!
- Grade 5 Field Trip sponsored by CCE to a Dairy Farm: Nov. 6
- Grade 5 “Healthy Bodies” Lessons - Nov. 13 - thank you Finger Lakes Community Health!
- Parent Teacher Conferences: December 17 & 18
- Gr 4/5 Holiday Choral Concert: December 2 at 7 pm
- Gr 5 Band Concert: December 8 at 7 pm

Public Comment

The Seneca Falls Board of Education welcomes public comment. Speakers may comment on matters related to agenda items specifically or district matters generally. No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than three (3) minutes. Public comments will be limited to thirty (30) minutes. All speakers and observers are to conduct themselves in a civil manner. Obscene language, defamatory statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial, religious, or other forms of prejudice will not be tolerated. In the unlikely event the meeting becomes unruly, the board will recess the meeting and return once order has been restored.

Persons addressing the Board of Education during public comment should not expect to engage in discussion with the Board. The Board will not permit any comments involving specific individual personnel or students.

Questions and comments from the public concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be referred to the Superintendent. Persons wishing to have matters included on the agenda shall contact the Superintendent in accordance with Policy 2342, Agenda Preparation.

Committee Reports

Policy Committee

Denise Lorenzetti reported the following:

- The committee met on Oct. 13, 2026.
- The committee was joined by Chief of Police Tim Snyder and Sgt. Michael Poole, SRO to have a discussion regarding e-bikes. Will discuss further on at the Safety Committee on November 4, 2026.
- The committee has five more policies to review from the July & August updates.
- The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2026 at 4:30 pm.

Facilities Committee

Denise Lorenzetti reported the following:

- The committee met on Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2026.
- The athletic hallway looks good-display cases are in.
- Discussed ordering additional display cases to install at a later date to match new cases installed.
- Tile replacement for Phase II has started.
- Quotes on how to spend the remaining money was discussed.
- Baseball filed is being worked on (regrading, new bases, etc.).
- Next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2026 at 9:00 am.

Audit Committee

Denise Lorenzetti reported the following:

- The committee met on October 15, 2026.
- The committee reviewed the External Audit Financial Executive Summary. The response is on the agenda to be approved.
- Incumbrances were up. Furniture that was purchase in a prior year for the Capital Project was not delivered until after the end of the school year ordered.
- There were some outstanding checks for the 2025-26 school year that were reviewed. Checks issued prior to January 2026 were voided.
- Due to legislations changes, the District is required to calculate and include tax-exempt overtime in an employees' W-2 at the end of this year. The District's software has been updated to implement the overtime reporting as well additional steps to be taken to ensure correct and accurate reporting. The district will work to adopt an AI policy. This will be brought up at the next Policy Committee meeting.
- The Business Administrator has done a good job keeping the Fund Balance below the required 4%.

Information

Warrants

09/01/2026-09/30/2026

Warrant A (26)	$31,582.48
Warrant A (28)	$900.00
Warrant C (8)	$8,658.95
Warrant C (9)	$100.00
Warrant F (5)	$8,365.10
Warrant H (16)	$784,395.78

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Warrant A (27)	$591,221.62
Warrant C (10)	$8,763.07
Warrant H (17)	$66,142.34

Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

Jodie Docteur reported that she has met with 10 of the 16 new employees to check in on how the year is goings-show them support-see if they need anything.
Praised the high school students who have been working hard to meet the NYS Inspires requirements.

Business Administrator

James Bruni reported the following:

- The Audit Committee will be meeting again since he has received the Single Audit and Food Service Audit.
- Anticipates the Extra-Classroom audit to be pushed back to December.

- November 5th the budget workshop will focus on Capital Building and Capital Bus Reserves. On November 19th, the budget workshop will focus on ERS and TRS.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Reed reported the following:
Met with Robert McKeveny and Theresa Clark (SF Education Foundation). The foundation will be increasing some awards. The Foundation would also like to share their minutes with the BOE to try to be more communicative with the Board of Education.
The District's Culture Committee met this week. Kudos to Carrie Heffron who has done a great job with the monthly memos sent out districtwide to staff.
The committee reviewed the District's Strategic Plan. The committee would like feedback from the Board of Education after they review the plan (ask that they focus on Pillar 2).
Reminded board members that the ECS Pumpkin Walk was tomorrow night (Oct. 23).
The NYSSBA Annual Convention started.
Four County SBA held a Board Clerk Workshop on Tuesday. Presenter was Laura Purcell from Bond Schoeneck & King. The topics included FOIL/FERPA Requests, Capital Project Vote and Short-Term Suspensions.

BOE President Report

Michael Mirras informed the board members that the candy bars handed out to them came for a 2nd grade class.

BOE Member Comments

Denise Lorenzetti informed the board that the Seneca Green Club was holding it's compost sale on Saturday, Oct. 24th at 10:00 am if anyone was interested.

Important Dates to Remember

October 23, 2026-Pumpkin Walk at Elizabeth Cady Stanton (6:00 pm)
October 24, 2026-NYSSBA Annual Convention Webinar Series-"What Matters Most: Connecting with Communities Through Values" (Virtual-Complimentary)
October 28, 2026- Four County SBA Board of Directors Meeting (5:30 pm)
November 5, 2026-BOE Meeting/Board Workshop (6:00 pm)
November 6, 2026-NYSSBA 2026 Governance Leadership Program (for Superintendents and Board Presidents)-Must register
November 10, 2026-Frank Night Veteran's Day Assembly (9:45 am)
November 11, 2026- Legislative Committee Meeting -(9:00-10:30 am)-Zoom
November 11, 2026-Veterans Day-NO School
November 13 &14, 2026-HS Fall Play: *The Hound of the Baskervilles* (7:30 pm) MA Auditorium
November 15, 2026-HS Fall Play: *The Hound of the Baskervilles* (2:00 pm) MA Auditorium
November 19, 2026- BOE Meeting/Mynderse Academy Roundtable (6:00 pm)
November 30, 2026-Four County SBA General Membership Meeting with David Little, RSA (Club 86)

Consent Agenda

Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

SFEA

None at this time

SFSSA

None at this time

Appointments

Professional Appointment

None at this time.

2026-2027 Annual Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves following annual appointments for the 2026-2027 school year.

Jason Herron	Social Studies Dept. Chair	$2,721.00 (to be pro-rated)
Justin Pawlak	Teacher Ambassador	$500.00
Connor Worden	Ski-Club	$831.00

2026 Winter Coaches

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education appoints the following coaches (*All appointments are conditional until paperwork is completed and fingerprints are cleared)*.

Employee	Position	Stipend	Certification
	BASKETBALL		
Jacob Jones	8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	$2,255.00	Certified Teacher
Mark Solan	7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	$2,255.00	Certified Teacher
Kari Jenson	7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	$2,255.00	*Pending*
	INDOOR TRACK		
Marnie Impastato	Modified Indoor Track Coach	$2,685.00	*Pending*
	BOWLING		
Deanna Connelly	Varsity Bowling Coach	$3,710.00	*Pending*
Kyle Bower	Bowling NON-Paid Assistant	n/a	TCL Exp. 01/31/27

Civil Service Appointments

None at this time.

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: Emma Smith
Substitute Position: Cashier/FSH
Effective: 10/23/2026

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
Joseph Peone	School Monitor	10/03/2026
Tamma Hartman	Cashier/FSH	10/27/2026

Probationary Period Extended

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves extending the following probationary period an additional fifteen days:

Name: Sofia Meeks
Position: Teacher Aide
Probationary Period: 11/06/2025 through ~~11/05/2026~~ 11/27/2026

CSE Minutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following CSE Minutes:
10/01/2026 (1), 10/01/2026 (2), 10/01/2026 (3), 10/01/2026 (4), 10/02/2026, 10/05/2026 (1), 10/05/2026 (2), 10/06/2026 (1), 10/06/2026 (2), 10/06/2026 (3), 10/07/2026 (1), 10/07/2026 (2), 10/08/2026 (1), 10/08/2026 (2), 10/09/2026 (1), 10/13/2026 (1), 10/013/2026 (2),

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.
Michael Lambert made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Old Business

Correction to October 8, 2026 SFEA Resignation

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to correct the SFEA resignation motion approved on October 8, 2025 as listed below:
X. Consent Agenda
A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
1. SFEA
b. Name: Heather Schantz
Position: Social Studies Teacher
Effective: ~~11/05/2026~~ 11/20/2026
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Morgan Cruz.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

New Business

Contracts, Agreements and MOAS

None at this time

Policy-1st Reading

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee and Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the first reading of the of the following policies:

0100-Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity
2120.2-Voting Procedures
4321.12-Timeout and Physical Restraint
5152-Admission of Non-Resident Students
5162-Student Dismissal Precautions
5420-Student Health Services
5500-Student Records
8113- Extreme Heat Condition Days
8130.1-Extreme Risk Protection Orders

Morgan Cruz made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

Internal Claims Audit Report

(First Quarter)

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to accept Internal Claims Audit Report for the first quarter as presented.
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.
Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Motion carried

2025-2026 External Audit Corrective Action Plan

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to accept the Corrective Action Plan relating to findings or recommendations made during the 2025-2026 External Audit for the District's Financial Statement and Management Letter, as recommended by the Audit Committee.
Denise Lorenzetti made the motion, seconded by Luke Lorenzetti.

Yes	6	No	0	Abstain	0	Motion carried

Surplus

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to dispose of the following surplus items as listed through sale, donation, disposal or auction according to Board Policy #6900
Elizabeth Cady Stanton Textbooks (See attached)
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Michael Lambert.

Yes	6	No	0	Abstain	0	Motion carried

Executive Session

None at this time

Adjourn

Michael Mirras asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm.
Anthony Ferrara made the motion, seconded by Michael Lambert.

Yes	6	No	0	Abstain	0	Motion carried

Monica Kuney, District Clerk