The Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, Cedric Dettmar, Meghan Lomangino, Sandra Miller, and J. Christian Tatu. Also present were Superintendent Jaime Vlasaty, Director of Fiscal and Operations Management David Bonenberger, District Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald, Elementary Principal Amy Braxmeier, and Board Secretary Wendy Weeast.

I. **Call to the Order** – 7:10 pm *Meghan Lomangino, Vice President, presiding*

II. **Pledge of Allegiance**

III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Wendy Weeast, Board Secretary*
6-Present, 3-Absent (Demko, Pakzad, Santos)

IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** - Director Miller, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – October 27, 2026 to discuss safety.

VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Broun, seconded by Director Miller, moved to approve the Minutes of October 13, 2026 Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

VII. **Recognition** – None

VIII. **High School SGA Representative's Report -** *Emma Sauvagnargues* - Fall Fest, Fleming Institute High School Ethics Bowl Competition 3rd place finish and $1K scholarship, various sports accomplishments.

IX. **Presentation** – Lehigh Valley Academy Charter School Renewal

- **A.** Presentation by the Charter School
- **B.** Questions by the Board of Directors
  1. Director Broun - AP outcomes vs IB, Questioning attendance advantage
  2. Director Miller - Max capacity 150 per grade/building limitations/ breakdown per grade, SVSD 33 attendees breakdown per grade, Special education students number and tier breakdown
  3. Director Carpenter - Math low proficiency on state assessments
  4. Director Dettmar - Interscholastic sports offerings
  5. Director Miller - Data for paras and special education, lunch funding, support staff, transportation, enrollment numbers in each of 23 districts
  6. Director Dettmar - AI changes and policy

X. **Superintendent's Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent* -No Report

XI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – None

XII. Presentation of Bills – *David Bonenberger*

A. **General Expenditures - $999,969.01**
B. **Cafeteria Expenditures - $30,551.70**
C. **Health Benefits - $709,417.24**
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: 6-Yes, 0-No

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

A. **Cash Investment and Bond Activity- September 30, 2026**
B. **Condensed Board Summary Report - September 30, 2026**
C. **Budget Transfers - None**
D. **Middle School Activity Report - No Report**
E. **High School Activity Report - No Report**

Recommendations for Approval
1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Tatu, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

XIV. Committee Reports

A. **Academic & Personnel -** *J. Christian Tatu* No Report
B. **Facilities -** *Meghan Lomangino* Summary October 14, 2026
C. **Finance -** *Donald Carpenter* Summary October 14, 2026

XV. Unfinished Business - None

XVI. New Business -

A. **Education**
   1. Approve the placement agreement with Western Governors University.
   2. Approve the Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation (SVFEI) 21st Century grant for the Robotics Club in the amount of $7,500.00 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Education items #1&2. Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

B. Personnel

1. Retroactively approve Lillian Speicher as a Middle School Long Term Substitute Social Studies Teacher effective October 14, 2026. Bachelors Step 1 $63,182.00 prorated, for the 2026-2027 school year with benefits as per the current SVEA Professional contract.
2. Approve Matthew Eager as a Middle School Long Term Substitute ELA Teacher, Bachelors Step 1 $63,182.00 prorated, for the 2026-2027 school year with benefits as per the current SVEA Professional contract.
3. Approve the following mentors 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.

Mentor	Inductee
Victoria Gazzana	Lillian Speicher
Jessica Habas	Jasmine Kreps

4. Approve Rose Hartnett as a Substitute Building Secretary for the 2026-27 school year pending completion of employment paperwork.
5. Approve Barbara Parsons as Part-Time Bus Driver with wage and benefits as per the Education Support Professional contract pending completion of employment paperwork.
6. Approve Michele Grida as an Athletic Worker for the 2026-2027 school year.
7. Approve the following coaches for the 2026-2027 school year.

Boys Basketball - Winter
Brett Reilly - Assistant Coach $3,000.00
Scott Roberts - Middle School Head Coach $3,755.00
Keith Riefenstahl - Middle School Assistant Coach $2,150.00
Boys Wrestling - Winter
Pat Santoro - Assistant Coach Volunteer*
Girls Basketball - Winter
Leah Santoro - Middle School Head Coach $3,200.00
Track and Field - Spring
Denise O'Connell- Mack - Assistant Coach $3,932.00
Taryn Koch - Middle School Assistant Coach $1,138.00
**correction of 10/13/26 agenda listed as Girls Wrestling*

8. Approve FMLA for Employee # 336 unpaid leave effective October 9, 2026 to December 22, 2026 running concurrently with FMLA. The employee will use (28) sick days prior to enacting FMLA.

9. Approve the retirement of Ellen Deluca, Bus Driver, effective January 1, 2027.

Director Miller, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Personnel items #1-9. Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

C. Facilities

No agenda items

D. Finance

1. Approve the second and final reading of Policy 707 AR-2 Facilities Use Fee Schedule.
2. Approve the Under Armor Athletic Agreement effective July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031 for the purchase of apparel, footwear and accessories.
3. Approve the BSN Sports Rewards Program effective July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031 for the purchase of supply of athletic apparel and equipment.

Director Broun, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve Finance items #1-3. Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

E. Community Updates

1. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *Jay Santos* - No report
2. **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Meghan Lomangino* - Grant deadline 10/30
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* - Next meeting tomorrow 10/28
6. **PSBA Representative** – *Donald Carpenter & Jay Santos* - PA approved the bell to bell cell phone ban for 2027-2028 school year.

District Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald added that the PA state legislature revisited the Sunshine Act and passed a bill to restrict real time agenda updates. All public meetings will need to adhere to the 24 hour rule for agenda amendments unless life threatening. The district may need to relook at policy now that we have a stricter interpretation.

Director Carpenter indicated he is unable to attend the PSBA Delegate Assembly on November 7, 2026

7. **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Community Engagement**- *William Broun & Jay Santos* - Elementary Principal Amy Braxmeier - Pilot game board style; Grade 4 teachers developed four categories
   1) Celebrating our school district
   2) Discovering local history
   3) Meeting our community helpers
   4) Celebrating Saucon Valley

F. Board Director Initiated Items - None

XVII. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments – None

XVIII. Board Comments - None

XIX. Announcements -

A. Business Meeting November 10, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion

B. Business Meeting November 24, 2026 ~ 7:00 pm HS Audion

XX. Adjournment Director Lomangino adjourned the meeting at 8:26 pm.

ATTEST _____ _____

Wendy Weeast - Secretary ***Meghan Lomangino - Vice President***