

The Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, John Conte, Vivian Demko, Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Tracy Magnotta, Shamim Pakzad, and Jay Santos. Also present were Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent, Judith Riegel, Board Secretary, and Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor.

- I. **Call to Order** – 7:00 p.m. - *Judith Riegel, Board Secretary*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** - Currently Seated Board Members – *Judith Riegel, Secretary*
4-present, 0-absent
- IV. **Notice of the Organization Meeting** – District Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald
- V. **Comments of the Public** – None
- VI. **Nominations for and Election of a Temporary President**
Dr. Shamim Pakzad nominated Cedric Dettmar as the temporary President.
Vote: 4-yes, 0-no
- VII. **Seating of Newly Elected Board Members**
Director Cedric Dettmar, Temporary President, swore in the following newly elected Board Members: William Broun, Donald Carpenter, Vivian Demko, Dr. Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Jay Santos
- VIII. **Nominations for a President**
Dr. Erickson-Parsons nominated Dr. Shamim Pakzad.
Mr. William Broun nominated Mrs. Vivian Demko.

Roll Call Vote: 5-Dr. Shamim Pakzad, 4-Vivian Demko

Dr. Shamim Pakzad will serve as the Board President for a one-year term ending December 2024.
- IX. **Nominations for a Vice President**

Dr. Shamim Pakzad nominated Mr. Cedric Dettmar.
Mr. Jay Santos nominated Mrs. Vivian Demko.

Roll Call Vote: 5-Mr. Cedric Dettmar, 4-Mrs. Vivian Demko

Cedric Dettmar will serve as the Board Vice-President for a one-year term ending December 2024.

X. Election of Board Representatives

Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School – Three-Year Terms

Director Shamim Pakzad nominated Director John Conte to finish a three-year term.

Director Vivian Demko nominated Director Vivian Demko to finish a three-year term.

Roll Call Vote: 5-Vivian Demko, 4-John Conte

Vivian Demko and Cedric Dettmar will serve as the District Representatives for the BAVTS for a three-year term ending December 2025.

PSBA Legislative Representatives

Director Jay Santos nominated Director Donald Carpenter and Director Jay Santos to serve as PSBA Legislative Representatives for a one-year term to December 2024.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

Donald Carpenter and Jay Santos will serve as the District Representatives for PSBA for a one-year term ending December 2024.

Colonial Northampton Intermediate Unit #20 – Three Year Term

Dr. Shamim Pakzad is serving a term ending 6/30/24

Chamber of Commerce Representative

Director Shamim Pakzad nominated Director John Conte to serve as District Representative for the Chamber of Commerce for a one-year term to December 2024.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

John Conte will serve as the District Representative for the Chamber of Commerce for a one-year term ending December 2024.

Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation Representative

Director Shamim Pakzad nominated Director Tracy Magnotta to serve as District Representative for the SVFEI for a one-year term to December 2024. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

Tracy Magnotta will serve as the District Representative for the Saucon Valley for Educational Innovation for a one-year term ending December 2024.

Northampton Community College - Board of Trustees

Susan Baxter is serving a 6-year term from 7/1/20 to 6/30/26

TCC Delegates

Director Shamim Pakzad nominated Director Cedric Dettmar with David Bonenberger and Gina DiNino as alternates to serve as TCC Delegates, with all Board members as additional alternates. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

Cedric Dettmar will serve as the District Representative to the TCC with David Bonenberger and Gina DiNino and all Board members as additional alternates for a one-year term ending December 2024.

Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School Authority

Bryan Eichfeld's term is until January 2028, and Cedric Dettmar's term is until January 2026.

XI. Committee AssignmentsAcademic & Personnel Committee:

Members: Tracy Magnotta, Cedric Dettmar, Dr. Shamim Pakzad, William Broun

Facilities Committee:

Members: John Conte, Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Vivian Demko, Jay Santos

Finance Committee:

Members: Cedric Dettmar, Dr. Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Dr. Shamim Pakzad, Donald Carpenter

XII. Approval of Time and Place of School Board Meetings

The Board of School Directors of the Saucon Valley School District will meet at 7 pm in the Audion located on the District Campus, 2097 Polk Valley Road, Hellertown, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, except where noted. All meetings will be held for the purpose of conducting business. The board reserves the right to determine the location and manner of such meetings. All meetings, regardless of medium, shall conform to the requirements of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act. All meetings will be held for the purpose of conducting business.

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Monday, April 22, 2024*

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 – Reorganization Meeting/Business Meeting (1st Tuesday)

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 (3rd Tuesday)

*** The date moved due to the Presidential primary**

Director Conte, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve the Time and Place of School Board Meetings.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Santos, moved to amend the previous motion to include changing the December 12, 2023 meeting to December 19, 2023.

Vote: 4-yes, 5-no. Motion failed.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

XIII. Authorization of the use of the Signature Stamp until a new one is received.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve the use of the Signature Stamp until a new one is received. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

XIV. Comments from the Board

Director Pakzad congratulated the new Board members.

Director Broun thanked Board President Pakzad and the other board members, the community, and teachers.

Director Demko thanked the community for their support.

Director Carpenter thanked Dr. Pakzad and the community.

Director Santos thanked the community.

Director Dettmar congratulated the new board members.

Director Erickson-Parsons welcomed the new board members and thanked the community for their support.

Director Pakzad thanked the community for coming out to the meeting.

XV. Comments from the Superintendent

Superintendent Vlasaty congratulated the new Board members and is looking forward to working together.

XVI. Comments from the Public –

S. Wittenberg – Commented on the election and Panther Pulse.

A. Wittchen – Commented on the change of the December meeting date.

R. Mules – Welcomed the new board members.

S. Miller – Commented on the history of the district and the investment made in education.

P. DeLeon – Looking forward to the next 4 years and a cooperative relationship.

D. Lloyd – Commented on the upcoming changes.

T. Scherer – Congratulated the new Board members.

XVII. Adjourn Meeting

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to adjourn.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

7:54 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

President