

The Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, John Conte, Vivian Demko, Cedric Dettmar, Dr. Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Tracy Magnotta-online, and Dr. Shamim Pakzad, Jay Santos. Judith Riegel, Board Secretary; Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor; and Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent.

- I. **Call to the Order** – 7:13 pm - *Dr. Shamim Pakzad, President, presiding*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Judith Riegel, Board Secretary*
9-present, 0-absent
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** – Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve the agenda, noting that #4 under Finance, which was previously published, was pulled. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – BAVTS Agreement, Personnel
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Conte, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve the minutes of July 9, 2024. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **Presentation** – None
- IX. **Superintendent’s Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent* – No Report
- X. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – None
- XI. **Presentation of Bills** – *David Bonenberger*
 - A. General Expenditures – \$784,373.32
 - B. Cafeteria Expenditures – None
 - C. Health Benefits – \$664,226.46
 - D. Capital Projects – None
 1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.

Director Conte, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve the Presentation of the Bills. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- XII. **Treasurer’s Report** – *Donald Carpenter/David Bonenberger*
 - A. Cash Investment and Bond Activity
 - B. Condensed Board Summary Report
 - C. Budget Transfers – None
 - D. Middle School Activity Report – None
 - E. High School Activity Report – None

1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

XIII. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Education

1. Approve the Dual Enrollment Memorandum of Understanding with Northampton Community College for the 2024-2025 school year.

Director Santos, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve Education Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

2. Approve the second and final reading of the following policies:

Policy 805.1 – Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies

Policy 805.1-AR-0 – Incident Report-Immediate Notification

Policy 805.1- AR-1 – Incident Report-Discretionary Notification

Policy 805.1-AR-2– Record of Law Enforcement Officers in School

Policy 805.2 – School Security Personnel

Director Conte, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve Education Item #2. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

3. Approve the agreement with Center for Applied Linguistics for an ESL and Spanish Immersion program evaluation, at the cost of \$62,792, pending review of the Solicitor.

Director Erickson-Parsons, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to approve Education Item #3. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

B. Personnel

1. Approve Dr. Lensi Nikolov as the Senior Curriculum Specialist for the 2024-2025 schoolyear with a stipend of \$20,000.
2. Approve Pamela Dobson for \$10,000 stipend for Curriculum Innovation and Advancement for the 2024-2025 school year.
3. Approve the resignation of Sara Fritz, Elementary School Special Education Teacher, effective July 24, 2024.
4. Approve Penny Lauer as High School Administrative Assistant at an hourly wage of \$18.53, AA3, with benefits per the current Administrative Assistants Compensation & Benefits Plan, pending completion of employment paperwork.

5. Approve Deborah Yocum as an Administrative Assistant to the Supervisor of Campus Operations at an hourly wage of \$19.59, AA4, with benefits per the current Administrative Assistants Compensation & Benefits Plan, pending completion of employment paperwork.
6. Approve David Michaylira as an Elementary School Special Education Teacher at Masters, Step 1, \$63,960 with benefits per the current SVEA contract, effective for the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.
7. Approve the resignation of Stacy Kemmerer, Full-Time Middle School Administrative Assistant.
8. Approve the following Marching Band Instructors for the 2024-2025 school year:
 - Kaela Bitting – March Band Director - \$7,875
 - Stephen Roman – Front Ensemble Instructor - \$2,700
 - Ken Zimmerman – Drill Instructor - \$1,500
 - Racheal Noone – Color Guard Instructor - \$2,700
 - Jason Beck - Percussion Instructor - \$2,700
9. Approve the following game workers for the 2024-2025 school year.

Diane Albert	Kristi Curry
Nancy Bohnhorst	Gail Nolf
Alexander Bortz	Mary Omdahl
Cheri Chisesi	Jennie Petrucelli
Jim Chisesi	Kevin Petrucelli
Bob Davis	Jeanne Reilly
Kathleen Dettmar	Chad Saylor
Tom Garofalo	Jennifer Schriffert
Michelle Grida	Trent Seibert
Natisha Jones	Mary Sue Stoy
Rachel Kade	Dave Stuempfle
Henry Kipp	Georgiene Stuempfle
Mary Kipp	Lorraine Torella
Cathy Leibensperger	Greta Torres
Martin Lewis	Rich William
Margaret McGeehan	
10. Approve Mark Goldfeder's transfer from a full-time to part-time bus driver for the start of the 2024-2025 school year.
11. Approve the following list of substitute teachers for the 2024-2025 school year:

Eric Barr	Russell Lande	Deborah Kelahan
David Houck	Nicholas Millets	Ravi Sajnani

12. Approve the co-curricular positions for the 2023-24 school year.

High School

Jessica Friday – Debate Team - \$2,250
 Jessica Friday – Model UN - \$600
 Jessica Friday – Scholastic Scrimmage - \$1,250
 Jacquelyn Febbo – FBLA - \$2,250
 Meredith Lesney – iTeam - \$600
 Mario Marcozzi – National Honor Society - \$1,050
 Cheri Chisesi – Student Government - \$4,085
 Lauren Sakasitz – Vocal Music - \$4,700
 Kaela Bitting - Jazz Band - \$2,400
 Lisa Allen - Class of 2025 Advisor - \$2,100
 Brianna Keeney - Class of 2026 Advisor - \$2,200
 Megan Bath - Class of 2027 Advisor - \$1,050
 Kevin Rutzler - Class of 2028 Advisor - \$1,000

Middle School

Meredith Lesney – iTeam - \$800
 Lauren Keebler – National Jr. Honor Society - \$1,050
 Katie Roberts - Student Council - \$2,600
 Amanda Holveck - Yearbook - \$1,900
 Lauren Sakasitz - Cameratta - \$2,650
 Rosemary Butterly- Jazz Band - \$2,300
 Amanda Brady - Reading Olympics - \$1,550
 David Jost – Intramural Archery Club - \$1,050
 Katie Roberts – Intramural Swimming Director 1 - \$1,050
 David Jost – Intramural Swimming Director 2 - \$1,050
 Amanda Holveck - Math Club - \$1,250
 Lauren Sakasitz – Handbells - \$1,350

Elementary School

Emily Aragona-Young – Choral Director - \$2,600
 Lynn Beller – Girls on the Run - \$1,500
 Cheryl Kittle – Student Council - \$2,400

Class III Volunteer Clubs

Chad Shirk - ES Wrestling Club – Volunteer
 Katie Roberts – MS Intramural Field Hockey – Volunteer
 Rosemary Butterly – TriM Jr. Honor Society (Music) – Volunteer
 Rachel Noone – HS Indoor Color Guard – Volunteer
 Kaela Bitting – HS Indoor Color Guard – Volunteer
 Jason Beck – HS Indoor Percussion Ensemble – Volunteer
 Kaela Bitting – HS Indoor Percussion Ensemble – Volunteer
 Amber Sams – HS Reading Team – Volunteer
 Mario Marcozzi - HS LEO Club -Volunteer
 Mario Marcozzi - HS Paranormal Research Club – Volunteer
 Mario Marcozzi - HS Morning TV Show – Volunteer
 Megan Bath – Big Panthers Little Panthers - Volunteer
 Kaitlyn Dennington – Big Panthers Little Panthers - Volunteer
 Samantha Faulkner – Big Panthers Little Panthers - Volunteer
 Joanna Suriel – Big Panthers Little Panthers – Volunteer

Director Erickson-Parsons, seconded by Director Santos, moved to approve Personnel Items #1-12. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

C. Facilities

1. Approve the attached list of Surplus/Obsolete items.

Director Carpenter, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve Facilities Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

D. Finance

1. Approve the following contracts with Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 for the 2024-2025 school year:

Applied Behavior Analytics Services (ABA)
Child Find Evaluations for Private & Non-Public Schools
LPN/RN for Field Trips
One-on-one Services
Psychiatric Evaluations
TransPerfect Services
SBAP Services

Director Conte, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Finance Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

2. Approve a 3-year lease agreement with Turf Tank at \$48,000 (\$16,00/year) pending review and approval of the district solicitor.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Demko, moved to approve Finance Item #2. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

3. Approve the attached contract with Blue Event Center for the 2025 Prom, pending review and approval of the district solicitor.

Director Erickson-Parsons, seconded by Director Santos, moved to approve Finance Item #3. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

E. Community Updates

- **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *John Conte* - None
- **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Tracy Magnotta* - None

F. Northampton Community College – *Susan Baxter* - None

G. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – *Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar* – Director Dettmar reported that we received the Articles of Agreement from Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School. We have 60 days to review.

H. Colonial Intermediate Unit – *Dr. Shamim Pakzad* - None

I. PSBA Representative – *Donald Carpenter* - None

J. New Business – Director Santos requested that we investigate what would need to be done and how much it would cost to hire a Curriculum Director.

K. Old Business - None

XIV. Citizens’ Inquiries and Comments – None

XV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~

August 13, 2024 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

August 27, 2024 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

XVI. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Board President Pakzad adjourned the meeting.

Time: 8:56 pm

ATTEST _____
Secretary

President