

PRESENT: Thomas Schultz, President-Not in Attendance  
Brian Villante, Vice President  
Elizabeth Barton, Member

ALSO PRESENT: John Finello, Superintendent  
Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk  
Robert Doyle, District Treasurer

The meeting was called to order by Brian Villante at 6:00 p.m. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Call to Order

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the September 9, 2025 Board Meeting minutes. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of the September Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the September 2025 Treasurer Report. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of the September Treasurer Report

Checking Acct: \$27,834.66  
Money Market: \$974.66  
Money Market NYCLASS: \$1,241,901.37  
Reserve Account: \$560,336.42

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the final June Report for the 2024-2025 school year. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of the Year End 2024-2025 Financial Report

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve check warrant #2526-03 in the amount of \$72,120.74. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Check Warrant #2526-03

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Sagaponack Common School District Board of Trustees authorizes a tax levy on the total taxable assessed value of \$6,185,038,170 without the STAR exemption applied in the amount of \$1,778,001 for school purposes; AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes a tax levy in the amount of \$749,439 to be raised for The Hampton Library; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total amount of taxes for these purposes be \$2,527,440. This levy will result in a tax rate for the 2025-2026 budget in the amount of .2875 per \$1,000 dollars of assessed value.

Approval of the Tax Rate

**A MOTION** was made by Elizabeth Barton to approve the tax rate in the amount of .2875 per \$1,000 dollars of assessed value. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

This month, the students have settled into their classroom routines. They will be going to the Milk Pail later this week to pick pumpkins and apples along with enjoying a hayride around the orchard. Next week, the students and staff will be going to the Bridgehampton Fire Department and Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center. Officer Eugene LaFurno came to the school on October 9<sup>th</sup>, to discuss stranger awareness with the children. On October 31<sup>st</sup>, we will be “spooking” Sagaponack with a Halloween costume parade down to the new Sagaponack General Store/Post Office and afterwards participate in a pinata activity and visit Ms. Barton’s house for tricks or treats. Students in pre-k are working on nursery rhymes and writing skills, while the kindergarten group are focused on early reading skills and blending word sounds. The 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> graders started working with the Amplify reading series in ELA. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders also began a unit on related multiplication in math. In technology class, Mrs. Kiang has been teaching the students about algorithms using programmed cues. In Spanish class, Mrs. Velasquez is working on fall poems, numbers and speaking short sentences.

Mr. Finello presented each member of the Board of Trustees with a certificate of recognition and a gift bag of candy in honor of New York State School Boards Association Recognition Week.

School Board Recognition Week

A motion was made by Elizabeth Barton to approve the revised 2025-2026 District-Wide School Safety Plan. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0

**Old Business:**

Approval of the Revised District-Wide Safety Plan

A motion was made by Elizabeth Barton to approve the Grant Heating and Cooling quote in the amount of \$8,910.00 for the replacement air conditioning unit. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

**New Business:**

Approval of the HVAC Quote

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the revised Schedule C-Substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Revised Schedule C-Substitutes

A motion was made by Brian Villante, upon a first reading, to approve the amendment of Board Policy 1220-School District Records Regulation. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Board Policy Regulation 1220

A motion was made by Brian Villante, upon a first reading, to approve the amendment of Board Policy 5500-Student Records. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Board Policy 5500

A first reading of the following Board Policy and Regulation was conducted and a second reading will take place at the next scheduled meeting:

First Reading of Board Policy and Regulation 8635 Amendments

8635- Information & Data Privacy, Security & Notification  
8635R- Information & Data Privacy, Security & Notification

A motion was made by Elizabeth Barton to approve the winter physical education activities such as swimming, ice skating, tennis and yoga for the 2025-2026 school year not to exceed \$3,500.00. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of the 2025-2026 Winter P.E. Activities

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the surplus of six (6) Chromebook devices purchased in 2018 at the value of \$25,00 each. The surplus will be posted through November 3, 2025. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Chromebook Surplus

The results of the Hampton Library vote that took place on September 16, 2025 were discussed. The total tax request from the Sagaponack CSD is \$749,439. Dawn Bodenchak and Sabrina Allan were elected for a 3 year term.

Hampton Library Vote Results

A motion was made by Elizabeth Barton to table the November 18, 2025 6:00 p.m. Board Meeting. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of November Board Meeting-Tabled

The date of the next Board Meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Date of the Next Board Meeting

There were no audience questions at this time.

Audience Questions/Comments

A motion was made by Brian Villante to enter into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss a pupil personnel matter. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Brian Villante to exit out of Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Exit out of Executive Session

With no further business, a motion was made by Brian Villante to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Elizabeth Barton seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Adjournment

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Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk  
Sagaponack Common School District