

REGULAR BOARD MEETING (Tuesday, November 25, 2025)

Generated by Frank Maurer on Wednesday, November 26, 2025

Members present

Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

Staff Present

John Swain, Jennifer Bates, Frank Maurer, Brian Cummings, Morgan Woods, Jason Helder, Alicia Smith

Public Present

Joseph Longo, Bruce Connell, Kim Connell-Miller, Roger Miller, Connell Family, Guy Pierce and family.

Public Officials Present

Mickey Ostrum, Cordy Taylor

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM**A. OPENING OF MEETING**

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: 2. Call to Order

Procedural: 3. Roll Call

Action: 4. Minutes

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Minutes and Executive Minutes of the October 14, 2025 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion by Earl Ransome, second by Daryl Halter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Patty Bomba

Abstain: Linwood Donelson

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION**Action: 1. Recess into Executive Session at 7:02 pm**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances,

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education for Special Services School District and Vocational Technical School District of the County of Salem, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will not return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

C. RESUMPTION OF THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING

Action: 1. Resumption of the Public Portion of the Meeting

It is recommended that the Board of Education return to the Public Portion of the meeting at 7:13 pm.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

Information: 2. Public Report on any actions taken in Executive Session

Procedural: 3. Audience Participation 1 - none

D. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS - OLD BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. Discuss the Code of School Ethics for School Board Members - none

Action: 2. Approval of Board of Education Old Business Items D.1. as Presented. - none

E. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS - NEW BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation by the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of Termination of Employee Number 1043.

Action: 2. Approval of Board of Education New Business Items E.1. as Presented.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve all New Business Items E.1 as Presented through a roll call vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

Procedural: 3. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Curriculum In Action Experiences.

Procedural: 4. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Facility Use

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation by the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of a One Year Contract with Rivell for Ruckus Management

Procedural: 6. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Record Management Services to Provide Annual Maintenance of Records Storage in the Amount of \$2,000 for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Procedural: 7. Request and Recommendation by the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of the Change in Board Meeting Date

Action: 10. Approval of Board of Education New Business Items E.3. to E.9. as Presented.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve all New Business Items E.3. to E.9. as Presented through a roll call vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

F. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS - CORRESPONDENCE

G. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS - PRESENTATIONS

Presentation: 1. Student Board Member Report - none

Presentation: 2. ALS Fundraiser Presentation - Bruce Connell/Guy Dunagan

Presentation: 3. Administrative Reports

Action: 4. Approval of Board of Education Presentations as Presented in Items G.1. to G.4.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve all Actions and Reports items G.1. to G.4. through a general vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

H. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Procedural: 1. SCVTS Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of September.



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Procedural: 2. SCVTS Reconciliation of Cash for School Funds Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of September 2025.

Procedural: 3. SCVTS Board Secretary Certification

Procedural: 4. SCVTS Board of Education Certification

Procedural: 5. SCVTS Transfer of Funds

Procedural: 6. SCVTS Warrants

Action: 7. Approval of Board Secretary/Business Administrator's Report - Vocational Technical School District Items H.1 to H.6 Through a Roll Call Vote

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary/Business Administrator's Report - Vocational Technical School District as presented in Items H.1. through H.6. through a roll call vote.

Motion by Earl Ransome, second by Daryl Halter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

I. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR NEW BUSINESS - SCVTS

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for the Board of Education to Accept a Donation of Auto Collision Repair Supplies.

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of a Shared Services Agreement for Computer Technician Services between Alloway Township School District and Salem County Vocational Technical Districts

Procedural: 3. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Cancel Check #44190 to Kreyco the amount of \$10,000.

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation by the Business Administrator for the Board of Education Approval of the Tri County Conference Budget/Ticket Prices for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Procedural: 6. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Go Bound Platform for Managing Athletics and Activities with the Tri County Conference

Procedural: 7. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of a Revised Contract for Third Party Evaluation Services for the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant.

Procedural: 8. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Dispose of Items No Longer of Value

Procedural: 9. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Purchase a Fax Machine Option for the Adult Post Secondary Program Copy Machine.

Action: 10. Approval of all Board Secretary/Business Administrator - New Business - SCVTS as presented I.1. Through I.9. Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Personnel as presented items I.1 through I.9. through a roll call vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

J. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Appoint Bruce Connell as the Food Service Director.

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Employ Tracy Green

Procedural: 3. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Winter Coaching Positions

Procedural: 4. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Pay Unused Sick and Unused Vacation Days for Lawrence Crawford.

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) funding for the following staff for the 2025-2026 school year.

Procedural: 6. Request and Recommendation of the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of FMLA for Employee 5168.

Procedural: 7. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Accept the Resignation of Kathryn Williams

Action: 8. Approval of all Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Personnel Items J.1. through J.7. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Programs Items J.1. through J.7. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Ransome questioned if the stipends paid to coaches are in line with the county rates. Mr. Swain stated that they are in line.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

K. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Professional Development Activities for SCVTS.

Action: 2. Approval of all Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Professional Development Item K.1. to K.2. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Professional Development Item K.1. to K.2. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Earl Ransome, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

L. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PROGRAMS

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of a Dual Credit Agreement between Salem Community College and Salem County Vocational Technical Schools.

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of an Agreement to Operate the Beyond the Bell Program Between SCVTS and the Southern Regional Food Distribution Center.

Procedural: 3. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Apply and Accept a \$3,000 Grant from the Salem County Health & Wellness Foundation for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Procedural: 4. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Apply for a Grant from the Community Foundation of New Jersey.

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Accept 2024-2025 Carryover Funds from the NJDOE for the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Title IA and Title IIA Grants for use During the 2025-2026 School Year.

Presentation: 6. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval for Salem County Vocational Technical Schools 21st CCLC Salem County Achievers 2028 to Participate in A Train Ride with Santa Event hosted by JRs Angels.

Procedural: 8. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of a Collaboration with Launch Pad, LLC and the Salem County Vocational Technical Schools 21st CCLC Salem County Achievers 2028. Launch Pad LLC is a physical fitness and training organization.

Procedural: 9. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Fundraisers for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Procedural: 10. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Student Community Service Projects for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Action: 11. Approval of all Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Programs Items L.1. to L.10. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Vocational Technical School District - New Business - Programs Items L.1 to L.10. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Earl Ransome, second by Daryl Halter.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

M. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - OLD BUSINESS

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N. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information: 1. CTHS Principal's Report and Program Enrollment - October 2025

Information: 2. CTHS Discipline Report - October 2025

Information: 3. Salem Workforce Development Board - Holiday Closures

Action: 4. Possible Closed Session for Approval of the Monthly HIB Report SCVTS
Enter into a Closed Session to Accept and Approve the Monthly HIB Report for SCVTS.

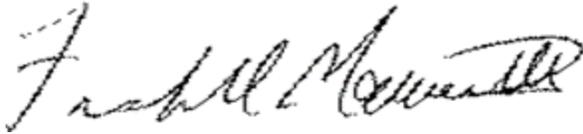
Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

O. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT

Procedural: 1. Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of September 2025.



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Procedural: 2. Reconciliation of Cash for School Funds Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of September 2025.

Procedural: 3. Board Secretary Certification

Procedural: 4. Board of Education Certification

Procedural: 5. Transfer of Funds

Procedural: 6. SCSSSD Warrants

Action: 7. Approval of Board Secretary/Business Administrator's Report - Special Services School District Items O.1. To O.6. Through A Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary/Business Administrator's Report - Special Services School District as presented in Items O.1. To O.6. Through A Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

P. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR - NEW BUSINESS - SCSSSD

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation by the Business Administrator for Board Approval of the Transportation Contracts

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation by the Business Administrator for the Board of Education to Approve a \$50 Donation from ACME Markets.

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Dispose of Items No Longer of Value

Action: 6. Approval of the Board Secretary/Business Administrator New Business Item P.1. to P.5. as Presented Through a Roll Call Vote

It is recommended that the Board of Education Approve the Board Secretary/Business Administrator New Business Item P.1. to P.5. as Presented Through a Roll Call Vote

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

Q. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Thomas Cerone

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Cheyenne Wolbert

Procedural: 3. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Francheska Martinez

Procedural: 4. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Gianna Taylor

Procedural: 5. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Transfer of Cynthia Caballero

Procedural: 6. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Thomas Johnston

Procedural: 7. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Jennifer Cerchiaro

Procedural: 8. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of the Employment of Patrice Burroughs

Procedural: 9. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Transfer of Monae Childers

Procedural: 10. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of a Field Experience with Stockton University

Procedural: 11. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Mentorship for 2025-26

Procedural: 12. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval to Pay Unused Sick Days for Robin Kerns Boucher

Procedural: 13. Request and Recommendation by the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of the Resignation of Colleen McKee

Procedural: 14. Request and Recommendation by the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of the Field Placement of a Widener University OT Graduate Student

Procedural: 15. Request and Recommendation of the Superintendent for Board of Education Approval of FMLA for Employee 777.

Action: 17. Approval of the Superintendent's Report - Salem County Special Services Personnel - New Business as presented Through a Roll Call Vote on items Q.1 to Q.16

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Special Services School District - New Business - Personnel Items Q.1 to Q.16. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

R. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PROGRAMS

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Fundraisers

Procedural: 2. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Completion Ceremony Dates

Action: 3. Approval of all Superintendent's Report - Special Services School District - New Business - Programs Items R.1 to R.2. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Special Services School District - New Business - Programs Items R.1 to R.2. as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

S. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT - NEW BUSINESS - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Procedural: 1. Request and Recommendation for Board of Education Approval of Professional Development Workshops for Salem County Special Services School District Personnel.

Action: 2. Approval of all Superintendent's Report - Special Services School District - Professional Development Item S.1 as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Report - Special Services School District - Professional Development Item S.1 as presented Through a Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Earl Ransome, second by Patty Bomba.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

T. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT - OLD BUSINESS

U. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information: 1. Accept the SCSSSD Student Placement, Student Enrollment Comparison Report, Student Financial Report, and Principal Reports for the Month of October 2025.

Procedural: 2. Accept and Approve the Monthly HIB Report SCSSSD

Action: 3. It is recommended that the Board of Education Approve the Informational Items - Special Services School District U.1. to U.2. as presented Through a General Vote.

It is recommended that the Board of Education Approve the Informational Items - Special Services School District U.1. to U.2. as presented Through a General Vote.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION 2/COMMISSIONER LIAISON RECOGNITION

Information: 1. Audience Participation 2

SCVTS student parent Joseph Longo spoke to the Board of Education about incidents with his son at the school and outside the school. Mr. Longo explained that no HIB investigations have been completed. Mr. Longo explained that he is scared for his child's life. Mr. Longo asked the Board of Education for help to protect his son as Mr. Helder is not. Mr. Swain was not aware of the car jacking incident over the summer. Mr. Longo stated he was not sure if Mr. Helder was incompetent or hated the Longo family.

Information: 2. Commissioner Liaison Recognition

W. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action: 1. Recess into Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances,

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will return to open session to conduct

business at the conclusion of the executive session.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will not return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session. For matters of SCVTS student discipline. at 7:56 pm

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

X. RESUMPTION OF THE PUBIC PORTION OF THE MEETING

Action: 1. Resumption of the Public Portion of the Meeting -none

Information: 2. Public Report on any actions taken in Executive Session

Y. ADJOURNMENT

Action: 1. Adjourn the Meeting at 8:22 pm.

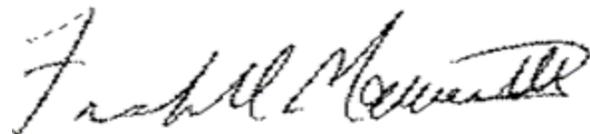
It is recommended that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Daryl Halter, second by Earl Ransome.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daryl Halter, Earl Ransome, Linwood Donelson, Patty Bomba

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer Bates
Assistant Superintendent
Business Administrator/Board Secretary
SCVTS

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Assistant Superintendent
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SCSSSD

