

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

REGULAR SESSION

7:00 P.M.

The Board of School Trustees of the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Gary Braasch, Charlie Parrish, Ed Lane, Joe Kosta, Kevin Arnold, Kristina Phillips. Julie Koczan was absent.

President Parrish called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Parrish determined a quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Parrish stated that there were three (3) additions to the agenda, Item K.5 – Additional Cooperative School Services Contract, Item L.A – Additional Resignations and Item L.B – Additional Hiring Recommendation. Mr. Lane made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the May 21, 2019, Regular Session was presented for board approval. Mr. Kosta made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Lane seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Parrish asked for comments from the RCCTA. Mrs. Stacy Kurdelak informed the board that she is now the Association's Interim President. A large group of RCSC teachers attended training at Wabash Valley today and it was very well done.

President Parrish asked for patron comments. There were none.

President Parrish asked for Board comments. There were none.

Van Intermediate School Principal Chad Wynn and Elementary Counselor Michelle Hanna presented, to the board, information on a Social Emotional Learning Program called Second Steps that they would like to implement at Van next school year to help students with "soft skills". Mr. Braasch made a motion for Van Intermediate School to move forward with the curriculum. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Athletic Director Kenny Hickman introduced Hannah Redlin, 2019 IHSAA State Discus Champion to the board. The board congratulated Hannah on her achievement.

Superintendent Craig updated the board on the Energy Savings Projects, stating that everything is on track and all of the equipment is here. The hallway lights at Van will be replaced with LED bulbs.

Superintendent Craig presented, to the board, electrical costs at each of the buildings and explained some of the changes that have been made to reduce the costs.

Claims dated May 1 – 31, 2019, #1138 - 1254 and claims dated June 1 – 19, 2019, #1255 - 1378 was presented for board approval. Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the claims. Mr. Lane seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig presented, to the board, a Financial Report showing expenditures through May 31, 2019.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following 2019-2020 School Lunch Bids:

- Grocery – Gordon Food Services, Grand Rapids, MI
Commercial Food Systems, Indianapolis, IN as a secondary
- Milk – Deans Food, Scheckel's Dairy, Huntington, IN
- Bread – Aunt Millie Bakeries, Fort Wayne, IN

Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board permission for the Teen Mission 2019 to use the showers at the High School, July 29 – 31, 2019. Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of a pay request from Performance Services in the amount of \$384,787.96. Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following 2019-2020 Student Transfer Requests:

- Cody Arrenholz – First Grade
- Harper Arrenholz – Second Grade
- Abigail Arrenholz – Fourth Grade
- Sophia Arrenholz – Fifth Grade
- Jordan Cree – Tenth Grade
- David Gilmore – Third Grade

Mr. Braasch made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Phillips seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following 2019-2020 Cooperative School Services Contracts:

- EDU Health Care – Occupational Therapy Services
- PPR Educational Services – Occupational Therapy Services

- ProCare Therapy – Occupational Therapy Services
- Indiana School for the Blind/Visually Impaired
- PPR Educational Services –Speech/Language Services

Mr. Kosta made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Phillips seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the 2019-2020 Student Handbooks for the Primary School, Van Intermediate School, Middle School and High School. Guidance changes for the High School will be presented in July. Mr. Kosta made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Lane seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the Bus Driver Handbook for 2019-2020. Mr. Braasch made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Technology Director, Mark Heinig, requested board approval to purchase Replacement Data Storage Center. The current Blade Center is ten years old and replacement parts are no longer available. Total cost for the project will be \$77,591.41. Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board acceptance of donations for Rensselaer Central Middle School. Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Business Office Procedures and Internal Control Standards. Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following resignations:

- Heather Heinig – High School Science Teacher
- Jason Shupryt – High School Social Studies Teacher
- Derrick Stalbaum – Middle School Math Teacher
- Michelle Miller – High School Science Teacher

Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Greg Michael as Middle School Principal with a two (2) year contract. Mr. Braasch made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Phillips seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Amber Hall as High School/Middle School Band Director. Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Allison Strange as High School Counselor. Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Sierra Hall as Middle School Social Studies Teacher. Mrs. Phillips made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Kosta seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Parrish stated that the Board Re-Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 2, 2019, 5:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

President Parrish stated that Corporation Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4, 2019 for Independence Day.

President Parrish stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference room.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, President Parrish adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Phillips and a second by Mr. Lane.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
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