

RENSSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

RENSSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES  
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

REGULAR SESSION

5:00 P.M.

The Board of School Trustees of the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. All Board Members were present.

President Parrish called the meeting to order at 5:00 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 L.4 – Cross Country Overnight Trip Request, L.5 – Science Mini Camps Request and Item M - Personnel – High School Diving Coach and Football Ticket Manager Recommendations. Mr. Lane made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Ahler seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the September 20, 2016 Regular Session were presented for board approval. Mr. Ludington made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Ahler seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Parrish asked for comments from the RCCTA. Miranda Piercy stated that the Association feels that school has gotten off to a good start and appreciate the support from the Board and Administration.

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Jennifer Norris, Rensselaer Central Primary School Principal, presented to the board an overview of the Pre-School program at the Primary School. The Pre-School started during the 2012-2013 school year with one (1) all day class and one (1) AM/PM class. Today there are three (3) all day Pre-K classes that have a planned curriculum and participate in all of the school activities. Mrs. Norris stated that their goal is to be Accredited by the year 2018.

President Parrish stated that Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation advertised and held a Public Hearing for the following 2017 Budget:

General Fund	\$10,837,720
Debt Service	2,194,792
Capital Projects	2,905,568
Transportation	842,257
Bus Replacement	<u>200,000</u>
Total	\$16,980,337

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of all resolutions pertaining to the advertised 2017 Budget. (Attachment “A”) Mr. Ludington made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Ahler seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Parrish stated that a copy of the proposed contract for Mr. Curtis Craig as Superintendent of Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation, January 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020 has been advertised and posted on the School Corporation website. (Attachment “B”) President Parrish then opened the floor for Public Comments on the proposed Superintendent Contract. There were no comments.

Claims dated September 16 - 30, 2016, #1811 – 1906 and Claims dated October 1 – 18, 2016, #1907 - 2047 were presented for board approval. Mr. Ludington 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 Speicher presented to the board, a Financial Report showing expenditures through September 30, 2016, the ADM count of 1587 and Assessed Valuation. Superintendent Speicher also informed the board that due to the delay in getting the School Grades to complete Teacher Evaluations for 2014, the teacher raises, back pay and Performance Awards for 2015 was not paid until 2016, coming out of the 2016 Budget instead of the 2015 Budget. If the State releases School Grades, in a timely manner, the 2015 Teacher Evaluations will be completed, and the teacher raises, back pay and Performance Awards for 2016 will be paid sometime this Fall. An Additional Appropriation will need to be made to the 2016 Budget. The Additional Appropriation will need to be advertised, hold a Public Hearing and approved by the board. In order to get all completed by December, 2016, the Public Hearing will need to be held at the next Board Meeting and approved at the December meeting.

Superintendent Speicher requested board acceptance of donations for the High School. Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Ahler seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Winter Drivers Education Program to be held December, 2016. Mrs. Koczan 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 Speicher requested board approval of a Special Education Cooperative Technology Service Agreement for October 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017. Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Ludington seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval for the High School Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams to travel to Terre Haute, Indiana, overnight, October 28 – 29, 2016 to attend the IHSAA State Meet. Mrs. Koczan 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 Speicher requested board approval for Heather Hall to host Science Camps for Pre-School students, November 7 – 8 and Kindergarten students, November 9 – 10, 2016, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. each day at the Middle School. Mrs. Koczan 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 Speicher requested board approval of the following hiring recommendations:

- Allison Hickman – High School Diving Coach
- Sue Cook – Football Ticket Manager

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

President Parrish stated that there will be No School Friday, October 21 – Monday, October 24, 2016 for Fall Break.

President Parrish stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 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 5:49 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Koczan and a second by Mr. Kosta.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY  
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