## RENSSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES BOARD BITS – AUGUST 18, 2015

- The minutes of the July 14, 2015 Re-Organizational Regular and Executive Sessions and the July 28, 2015 Special Session were approved as presented.
- Mark Spangler voiced his concerns to the Board in regards to Staddon Field.
- Mr. Cozza informed the board that he had attended a Park Board Meeting and is working to gather information to get the Staddon Field issue resolved.
- Mr. Ludington informed the board that the ISBA Fall Conference is scheduled for September 28
  29, 2015 in Indianapolis and encouraged board members to attend.
- The Board approved claims dated July 1 31, 2015, #1210 1311 and claims dated August 1 18, 2015, #1312 1366.
- The Board was presented a financial report showing expenditures through July 31, 2015.
- The Board was presented initial enrollment numbers for the 2015-2016 school year.
- The Board was presented health insurance rates for the past five (5) years.
- The Board was presented with a slide show showing improvements made around the grounds this summer, the paving of the football field area and track and the inside of the Middle School.
- The Board was informed that the General Obligation Bonds were sold at 2.36% with very little or no tax impact.
- Mrs. Jennifer Norris, Primary School Principal and Mr. Chad Wynn, Van Intermediate Principal informed the board that they have had a very successful start of the year and presented their expectations for their students and staff.
- Mr. Eric Huffman, Middle School Principal, informed the board that the year has started off very well and presented his expectations for his students and staff.
- Mr. Andrew Jones, High School Principal, informed the board that the High School has had a great start and presented his Non-Negotiables for his staff.
- The Board approved pay requests from Gariup Construction Company and Lorenz Williams Clinton Architects.
- The Board approved 12 Student Transfer requests for the 2015-2016 school year.
- The Board approved the Superintendent Contract for Ned L. Speicher for July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016.

- The Board approved the purchase of a new scoreboard for the football field. Total estimated cost is \$45,000. The board will provide \$15,000 with the remaining balance to be made through donations.
- The Board approved the Negotiated Master Contract with the RCCTA for the 2015-2016 school year along with the School Performance Award Agreement.
- The Board approved the Corporation Master Calendar for the 2016-2017 school year.
- The Board accepted donations for the Primary School.
- The Board approved the following teachers recommendations:
  - o Gabriel Edwards High School Special Education Teacher
  - Jordan Rhoads Elementary Computer Teacher
- The Board approved the following Extra-Curricular recommendations:
  - o Stephanie Davisson Middle School Year Book Sponsor
  - Beth Hege High School Student Council Sponsor
  - o Brandy Cook High School Student Council Sponsor
  - o Mary Molenaar Color Guard Sponsor
  - o Chad Pinkerman Middle School Football Coach
  - Mark McFarland Fall Administrative Assistant
  - o Terry Butler JV Girls Basketball Coach
  - o Heather Hall Middle School Student Council Sponsor
  - o Heather Hall Middle School National Junior Honor Society Sponsor
  - Ava Kosiba Middle School Science Olympiad Sponsor
- The Board approved a leave request from Kim Barton as Kindergarten Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year.
- The Board accepted the following resignations:
  - Megan Spurgeon High School Special Education Teacher
  - Stephanie Dobson High School Student Council Sponsor
  - Paula Wellmaker High School Student Council Sponsor
- Announcements were made of the following dates:
  - Monday, September 7, 2017 Labor Day No School
  - Tuesday, September 15, 2015 Next Regular Board Meeting and Public Hearing for the 2016 Budget, 5:00 p.m.