

**RENSSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
BOARD BITS – SEPTEMBER 17, 2013**

- President Ludington administered the Oath of Office to re-appointed board member Kristina Phillips.
- The minutes of the August 20, 2013 Executive Session and Regular Session were approved as presented.
- Brian Papak was elected Board Vice-President for the 2013-2014 school year.
- Mr. Tim Taylor and students Alexis Tanner and Abby Pullins presented, to the Board, their 5th Grade Social Studies iPad projects.
- A Public Hearing was held on the 2014 Budget.
- The Board approved claims dated August 1 - 31, 2013, #1168 - 1236 and claims dated September 1 - 12, 2013, #1237 - 1307.
- The Board was presented a financial report showing expenditures through August 31, 2013.
- The Board was updated on construction projects.
- The Board was informed that the bonds had been sold at an interest rate of 2.05%.
- The Board was shown a video from Standard for Success featuring Mr. Bates discussing the new teacher evaluations.
- The Board was informed of the initial enrollment of 1617 students.
- The Board was informed of the initial iPad statistics of the 1877 iPads distributed, 6 were DOA and 3 have been accidentally damaged.
- The Board was informed that the Novia Clinic will be administering Flu Vaccines to employees October 23, 25 and 30, 2013.
- The Board approved pay requests from Roeing Corporation, Lorenz Williams Clinton, Larson-Danielson and D.A. Dodd.
- The Board approved a new Transfer Policy for Non-Resident Students, stating that Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation will be a closed district and will review the policy each spring. Current transfer students will be able to stay.
- The Board denied a Claims Stabilization Reserve Settlement Proposed Resolution from Caston, Delphi and North Judson School Corporations for the ISTA Insurance Trust Class Action Lawsuit.

- The Board approved a revised Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Bullying Policy and Administrative Bullying Guidelines to reflect new Indiana laws.
- The Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Rensselaer for a District Wide School Security Officer.
- The Board approved the following FFA field trips:
 - October 24 – 26, 2013 – State Soils Judging – site to be determined
 - October 30 – November 1, 2013 – National FFA Convention – Louisville, KY
 - October 30 – November 3, 2013 – Southeast Regional Livestock Judging – Raleigh, North Carolina
- The Board approved the following coaching recommendation:
 - Mike Vanderhere – Middle School Football Coach
- The Board was presented with Volunteer applications.
- Announcements were made of the following dates:
 - Friday, October 11, 2013 – Publication of 2014 Budget Adoption Meeting
 - Tuesday, October 15, 2013 – Next Regular Board Meeting and Adoption of 2014 Budget at 5:00 p.m. at the Van Elementary Board Room
 - Tuesday, October 15, 2013 – Adoption of 2014 Budget at Jasper County Courthouse, 7:30 p.m.
 - Friday, October 25 – Monday, October 28, 2013 – Fall Vacation – No School