

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024

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, October 15, 2024 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Janice Deno, Cole Buschman, Gary Braasch, Courtney Wilcox, George Cover and Mark Jordan. Emily Lyons was absent.

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

President Braasch determined a quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Braasch stated that there no additions. Mr. Cover made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Session Meeting and September 18, 2024 Executive Session were presented for board approval. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Cover seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Braasch asked for comments from the RCCTA. Stacy Kurdelak wished everyone a relaxing and rejuvenating fall break. She spoke regarding the new diploma changes.

President Braasch asked for patron comments. There were none.

President Braasch asked for board comments. President Braasch spoke of the benefits of attending the ISBA State Conference. Mr. Jordan stated that he was surprised that the new diploma changes weren't a bigger part of the conversation at the Conference. Mrs. Deno stated that they listened to both governor candidates. She stated that they listened to a really good speaker, Sam Glenn, she believes that our students would enjoy him. President Braasch also wished to thank the County Council for moving us up on their agenda, it allows us to keep our Board Meeting time the same.

President Braasch requested board approval of the 2025 Budget Resolution, Capital Projects Fund Resolution and the Bus Replacement Plan Resolution of the Rensselaer Central Schools

Corporation. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig reviewed several projects that will be completed with the bond issue including: doors and windows at the high school, football field lights and middle school bleachers.

Claims dated October 15, 2024 were presented for board approval. Mr. Cover made the motion to approve the claims. Mrs. Wilcox 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 September 30, 2024.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following 2024-2025 Student Transfer Requests:

- Bryce Walton – 8th Grade
- David Walton – 9th Grade

Mr. Jordan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cover seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board acceptance of Donations for the following: (Attachment A)

- High School

Mr. Cover made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the Winter Driver's Education Course, December 1, 2024 – March 1, 2025 at a cost of \$450 per student. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Buschman seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the TAG (Teacher Appreciation Grant) Policy. Mr. Buschman made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cover seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval for Principals, Assistant Principals and Technology Director to Receive Comparable TAG Award. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the 2025-2026 School Calendar. Mr. Cover made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines. Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve the request and specified the amount of \$4,000 for Policy 1230. Mr. Buschman seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval to withdraw from the Hoosier Athletic Conference according to procedures outlined in the bylaws. Mr. Jordan made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following Coaching Resignation:

- Adelynne Reoch – 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

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

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following Coaching Recommendation:

- Lance Strange – 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

Mr. Jordan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cover seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following Extra Curricular Activities Recommendation:

- Heather Steele – Primary Yearbook Sponsor

Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following Teacher Leave Request:

- Brenlyn Freeman – Maternity Leave

Mr. Buschman made the motion to approve request. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Braasch stated that there will be no school Friday, October 18, 2024 – Monday, October 21, 2024 for Fall Break.

President Braasch stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference room.

President Braasch stated that there will be no school Wednesday, November 27 – Friday, November 29, 2024 for Thanksgiving Break.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, President Braasch adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Cover and a second by Mrs. Wilcox.

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BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
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