

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2015

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:30 P.M.

- A. Call to Order
- B. Establishment of a Quorum
- C. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(6)(B)
With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction:
To discuss, before a determination, the individual's status as an employee, a student, or
an independent contractor who is a physician.
- D. Nothing else was discussed in executive session.
- E. Adjourn in to regular session

REGULAR SESSION

7:00 P.M.

The Board of School Trustees of the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Charles Parrish, Ed Korniak, Rich Ludington, Julie Koczan, Ed Lane and Brad Cozza. Earl Zeider was absent.

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

President Ludington determined a quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Ludington stated that there were no changes to the agenda. Mr. Korniak made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Koczan seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the November 17, 2015 Regular Session were presented for board approval. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Korniak seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Ludington asked for comments from the RCCTA. There were none.

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Superintendent Speicher informed the board that the final ISTEP results and school grades have been put on hold until the General Legislature reconvenes in January, 2016.

Claims dated November 1 - 30, 2015 #1897 - 1985 and claims dated December 1 – 15, 2015 #1986 - 2080, were presented for board approval. Mr. Korniak 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 November 30, 2015.

Superintendent Speicher presented to the board, an End of Year Financial Report.

Superintendent Speicher presented to the board, a Final Construction Project Report.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Resolution for the payment of 2015 bills and the transfer of appropriations to close out the books for 2015. (Attachment “A”) Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Resolution to transfer up to \$400,000 to the Rainy Day Fund from the Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Transportation Fund and Bus Replacement Fund. (Attachment “B”) Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Korniak seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval to pay the 2015-2016 Special Education Pre-School Pay Request for the full year in the amount of \$68,750.00. Mr. Cozza 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 acceptance of Donations for the Primary School, High School and Athletics. (Attachment “C”) Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cozza seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of the renewal of the Property, Liability and Transportation Fleet Insurance for 2016 in the amount of \$97,160.00 with the Educational Service Centers Risk Funding Trust (ESCRFT). Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cozza seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Non-Standard Waiver from the State of Indiana for Walt Brown to teach Introduction to Auto Mechanics not currently on his license. Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Cozza seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Grades K – 3 Boys Basketball Handling Clinic to be held January 4, 11, 18, 19, 2016 with a January 22, 2016 halftime performance. Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a Grades K – 5 Girls Cheer Camp to be held January 16, 2016 with performance during the JV and Varsity games that evening. 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 2015-2016 student transfer request:

Camille Becker – 8th Grade

Mr. Korniak 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.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval to table any action on the final RISE Evaluations and Teacher Performance Payments for 2014-2015 until the General Legislature reconvenes and finalizes all School Grades in January, 2016. Mrs. Koczan made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of a four (4) day work week schedule during the months of June and July, 2016. Employees will work four (4) ten (10) hour days and the air conditioners will be shut down on Thursday afternoons through Monday morning. Mr. Cozza made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of the transfer of Jennifer Church from 6th Grade Science Teacher to High School Biology I Teacher, January 5, 2016. Mr. Korniak 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.

Superintendent Speicher requested board approval of the following teacher recommendation:

Ava Kosiba – Temporary Middle School 6th Grade Science Teacher

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 coaching recommendations:

Danny Shields – 9th Grade Girls Basketball Coach (50% salary)

Angela Tomlinson – Pool Director

Mr. Lane 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.

Superintendent Speicher presented Volunteer Applications to the Board.

President Ludington stated that there will be no school Wednesday, December 23, 2015 – Monday, January 4, 2016 for Christmas Vacation.

President Ludington stated that Monday, January 18, 2016 is a Weather Make-Up Day, if needed, or No School.

President Ludington stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 7:00 p.m. at the Board Conference Room.

Superintendent Speicher stated that on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, an Anti-Bullying convocation will be presented for each school throughout the day for students and that evening for parents and community members in the High School Auditorium.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, President Ludington adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
RENSSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION

