

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019

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, July 16, 2019 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Gary Braasch, Charlie Parrish, Ed Lane, Kevin Arnold, Kristina Phillips. Julie Koczan and Joe Kosta were absent.

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

President Phillips determined a quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Phillips stated that there were three (3) additions to the agenda, Item H.1 – Educational Report, Item J.7 – Creation of Dean of Students Position at the Middle School and Item K.B – Additional Hiring Recommendation. Mr. Parrish made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the June 18, 2019 Regular Session and July 2, 2019 Re-Organizational Meeting were presented for board approval. Mr. Braasch made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Phillips asked for comments from the RCCTA. Ms. Denise Yentes thanked the custodial staff for all of their hard work in getting the buildings ready for the beginning of school and invited the board to “Teacher Tuesday Walk” at the Jasper County Fair, 6:00 p.m. at the Community Building.

President Phillips asked for patron comments. There were none.

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Middle School Principal Greg Michael and teacher Ava Kosiba presented, to the board, information on a Discipline program called PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) that they will be implementing at the Middle School this school year.

Superintendent Craig updated the board on the Energy Savings Projects, stating that everything is on track and cleaning of the third grade classrooms should begin at the end of this week and fourth and fifth grade classrooms at the end of next week.

Claims dated June 1 – 30, 2019, #1379 - 1454 and claims dated July 1 – 16, 2019, #1455 - 1533 was presented for board approval. Mr. Braasch made the motion to approve the claims. Mr. Arnold 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 June 30, 2019.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of a pay request from Performance Services in the amount of \$878,810.50. Mr. Parrish 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 Craig requested board approval of the 2019 Teacher Appreciation Grant Policy. Teachers rated Highly Effective will receive 25% more than teachers rated Effective. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following 2019-2020 Cooperative School Services Contract:

- Pulaski Memorial Hospital –Speech/Language Services

Mr. Braasch 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 Craig requested board approval of the 2019-2020 High School Student Handbook Guidance changes. Mr. Parrish 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 Craig requested board acceptance of donations for Rensselaer Central High School. Mr. Braasch 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 Craig requested board approval of Technology/Administrative Services for Cooperative School Services for 2019-2020. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval to create the position of Dean of Students at Rensselaer Central Middle School. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the following resignations:

- Shelby McDermott – Middle School Language Arts Teacher
- Angie Radtke – High School Language Arts Teacher
- Ron Wamsley – High School Agriculture Teacher

Mr. Parrish 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 Craig requested board approval of Angela Buck as High School Math Teacher. Mr. Braasch 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 Craig requested board approval of Casey Howell as High School Social Studies Teacher. Mr. Arnold made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braasch seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Hunter Hickman as High School Language Arts Teacher. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of Hannah Wallace as Middle School Language Arts Teacher. Mr. Parrish made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

President Phillips stated that Registration/Textbook Rental will be held Monday, July 29, 2019 – Thursday August 1, 2019, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria.

President Phillips stated that the New Teacher Orientation will be held on Monday, August 5, 2019, 9:00 a.m. in the Board Conference Room.

President Phillips stated that the Staff Orientation Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 8:00 a.m. at the High School Auditorium. Breakfast and sign in will begin at 7:00 a.m.

President Phillips stated that Teacher In-Service will be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 in respective buildings.

President Phillips stated that the First Student Day will be Thursday, August 8, 2019.

President Parrish stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference room.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, President Phillips adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Braasch and a second by Mr. Parrish.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
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