

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020

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, June 16, 2020 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Kristina Phillips, Charlie Parrish, Ed Lane and Kevin Arnold. Board Members present via Google Meet were Gary Braasch, Julie Koczan, and Joe Kosta.

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 five (5) additions to the agenda, Item J.9 – Approval of Resolution for Suspension of School Board Policies Conflicting with Waivers or Extensions During COVID-19 Pandemic, Item J.10 – Approval of Athletics Plan for Re-Entry COVID-19 Protocol, Item J.11 – Approval of Driver Education COVID-19 Protocol, Item J. 12 – Approval of Band COVID-19 Protocol and Item K.1 – Additional Hiring Recommendation. Mr. Parrish made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Lane seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the May 19, 2020 Regular Session were presented for board approval. Mr. Arnold 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. Mrs. Stacy Kurdelak, via Google Meet, stated that the Association is currently working with the ISTA on COVID-19 plans and is looking forward to the next steps to re-open schools.

President Phillips asked for patron comments. There were none.

President Phillips asked for Board comments. There were none.

Superintendent Craig presented to the board electric usage and savings per building after the installation of LED lights.

Claims dated May 1 – 29, 2020, #1007 - 1088 and claims dated June 1 – 16, 2020, #1089 - 1192 was presented for board approval. Mr. Lane 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 May 31, 2020.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of the bid from Walsh & Kelly, Inc. for the High School North Parking Lot Paving Project including the Alternate Bid for a Sub-Surface Drainage System for a total price of \$395,282.81. Approval of Patriot Engineering for soils, asphalt testing and inspection services for a total price of \$4,800.00 was also requested. Mr. Lane made the motion to approve the requests. Mr. Parrish seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of NEOLA Special Update – April 2020 and Vol. 32 No. 2 – June 2020 New/Revised/Replacement Policies and Guidelines. 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 Cooperative School Services Contract:

- Physicooley Therapy, Inc. for Physical Therapy Services for the 2020-2021 School Year

Mr. Arnold 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 following 2020 – 2021 Student Transfer Request:

- Monica Crouch – 10th Grade

Mr. Lane 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 2020-2021 Athletic Department Regulations and Policies. 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 following School Lunch Bids:

- Grocery – Gordon Food Service – Grand Rapids, MI
- Secondary Grocery – Commercial Food Systems, Inc. - Indianapolis, IN
- Milk – Deans Food Company of Indiana, Inc. – Carmel, IN
- Bread – Aunt Millie’s Bakeries – Fort Wayne, IN
- Secondary Bread – Gordon Food Service – Grand Rapids, MI

Mr. Lane 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 2020-2021 Student and Adult A-Line Meal Prices:

- Primary, Van Intermediate and St, Augustine:
 - Paid: \$1.90 Reduced: \$0.40 Adult: \$3.45
- Middle School, High School
 - Paid: \$2.00 Reduced: \$0.40 Adult: \$3.45
- Breakfast for Primary, Van Intermediate, Middle School and High School:
 - One Free Breakfast per day available for all students
 - Adult: \$2.45
- Ala Carte Milk
 - \$0.50
- All other ala carte will adjust by food costs.

Mr. Lane 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 Textbook Rental Rates for 2020-2021:

- Kindergarten \$185.00
- First Grade \$185.00
- Second Grade \$175.00
- Third Grade \$195.00
- Fourth Grade \$195.00
- Fifth Grade \$195.00
- Sixth Grade \$198.54
- Seventh Grade \$198.54
- Eighth Grade \$198.54
- Eighth Grade \$198.81 with Algebra
- Grades 9 – 12 \$107.00 plus textbooks

Mr. Arnold 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 a Resolution for Suspension of School Board Policies Conflicting with Waivers or Extensions During COVID-19 Pandemic (Attachment “A”) Mr. Lane 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 Athletics, Driver Education and Band Re-Entry COVID-19 Protocols. 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 following 2020-2021 Hiring Recommendations:

- Rose Sell – Middle School Life Skills 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.

- Meghan Stalbaum – Primary School Life Skills Teacher

Mr. Lane 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.

- Michelle Siburcrist – 8th Grade English Teacher

Mr. Arnold 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.

President Phillips presented Appreciation Plaques to outgoing board members Mrs. Julie Koczan and Mr. Joe Kosta and thanked them for their service to the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation.

President Phillips stated that the Board Re-Organizational Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 2, 2020, 5:00 p.m. in the Board Conference room.

President Phillips stated that the Corporation will be closed on Monday, July 6, 2020 for Independence Day.

President Phillips stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 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 8:12 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Arnold and a second by Mr. Parrish.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
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