

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 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, November 19, 2024 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. All Board Members were present.

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 was one (1) addition. K. 8 – Approval of 2025 Health Insurance Plan Rates. Ms. Lyons made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The minutes of the October 15, 2024 Regular Session Meeting were presented for board approval. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Wilcox 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 stated that she appreciates the uptick in the positive online social media presence for the corporation. She hopes to see that grow even more.

President Braasch asked for patron comments. There were none.

President Braasch asked for board comments. President Braasch stated that he attended the ISBA Region 4 meeting and got a preview of the session coming up, they estimate over 200 bills will be education related.

The Board recognized the FFA for their awards earned at the recent National Convention.

Superintendent Craig stated that the intention is to have all of the projects done by February. that will be completed with the bond issue including: middle school bleachers, gutters at Van, doors and windows at the high school, and football field lights.

Mayor Jeff Phillips updated the board on the rising sewage rates and why the increase is necessary.

Claims dated November 19, 2024 were presented for board approval. Mr. Buschman 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 October 31, 2024.

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

- High School
- Middle School

Ms. Lyons 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 Policy Update Volume 25, Number 2, April 2023, Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines. Mr. Cover made the motion to approve the request. Ms. Lyons 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 of Special Policy Update, July 2023, Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines. 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 Renewal of Agreement with Brand Tech for Technology Services for Cooperative School Services. 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 FFA Out of State Field Trip Request to Oklahoma City, OK, April 26, 2025 – May 2, 2025. Mr. Jordan made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Lyons seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval of 7th Grade Field Trip Request to the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, IL, December 5, 2024. 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 to change Vacation Time for Year-Round Full-Time Non-Certified Staff to:

- 5 Years of Service to Receive 3 Weeks of Paid Vacation
- 10 Years of Service to Receive 4 Weeks of Paid Vacation

Changes to be Effective on January 1, 2025. 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 the 2025 Health Insurance Plan Rates. Mrs. Deno 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.

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

President Braasch stated that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference room.

President Braasch stated that there will be no school Monday, December 23, 2024 – Friday, January 3, 2025 for Christmas Break.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, President Braasch adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Cover and a second by Ms. Lyons.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
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