

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023

RENSELAER CENTRAL SCHOOLS CORPORATION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

5:00 P.M.

The Board of School Trustees of the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation met in a Re-Organizational Session on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at the Rensselaer Central Schools Corporation Administrative Offices Board Conference Room. Board Members present were Janice Deno, Cole Buschman, Gary Braasch, Courtney Wilcox, and Emily Lyons. Rick Odle and Mark Jordan were absent.

President Braasch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

President Braasch determined a quorum present.

Superintendent Craig administered the Oath of Office to Newly Appointed board members Cole Buschman and Courtney Wilcox. (See Attachment "A")

The next item of business was the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Deno nominated Mr. Gary Braasch for Board President. Ms. Lyons seconded the nomination. Mrs. Deno made the motion to close the nominations. The vote of the board was unanimous in favor of Mr. Braasch as Board President.

Mr. Gary Braasch was elected Board President for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mr. Braasch nominated Mrs. Janice Deno for Board Vice President. Ms. Lyons seconded the nomination and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of Mrs. Deno as Board Vice President.

Mrs. Janice Deno was elected Board Vice President for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mrs. Deno nominated Ms. Emily Lyons for Board Secretary. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the nomination and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of Mrs. Deno as Board Secretary.

Ms. Emily Lyons was elected Board Secretary for the 2023-2024 school year.

Superintendent Craig recommended Mrs. Dawn Claussen as Treasurer and Mrs. Kara Parker as Assistant Treasurer for the 2023-2024 school year. Ms. Lyons made the motion to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Deno seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

President Braasch stated there were no additions to the agenda.

Mr. Buschman made the motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Lyons seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig recommended Jacob Ahler of Riley and Ahler as Local Attorney and Mike Lacey of Hulse, Lacey, Hardacre and Shine, P.C. as School Attorney for special assignments. Mrs. Deno made the motion to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Wilcox seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion with Ms. Lyons abstaining.

At this time, board members volunteered to serve on the following committees during the 2023-2024 school year:

I.S.B.A. Liaison	Gary Braasch
Athletic Council	Gary Braasch, Courtney Wilcox
B.A.E.	Emily Lyons
Sick Leave Bank	Cole Buschman, Mark Jordan
Vocational Business Alliance	Janice Deno, Emily Lyons
Rensselaer City Park Board	Janice Deno
Wellness Committee	Courtney Wilcox, Rick Odle
Joint Services Cooperative	Gary Braasch
Finance Committee	Mark Jordan, Janice Deno, Rick Odle
Construction Project Committee	Gary Braasch, Rick Odle, Cole Buschman
Rensselaer Redevelopment Commission	Janice Deno

Superintendent Craig recommended the Regular Board Meetings dates be set for the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. with the exception of the 3rd Tuesday of September and October, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. and Special Meetings called as needed. Ms. Lyons made the motion to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Deno seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements were received from Mr. Buschman and Mr. Braasch.

Superintendent Craig requested board approval to pay bills early, before the regular board meetings, due to payment due dates and to avoid penalties. Mr. Buschman 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 leave the Corporation Mileage Rate at .655 cents. Ms. Lyons made the motion to approve the request. Mrs. Deno seconded the motion and the vote of the board was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Craig requested board permission to accept resignations and hire personnel as needed prior to the first day of school. Mrs. Deno 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 following 2023-2024 Student Transfer Request:

- Hunter LaCosse – 11th Grade

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

Superintendent Craig requested board approval to Purchase a 2025 IC Bus at the cost of \$156,156.00. Mrs. Deno 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 for 2024 Out of State Varsity Football Game, September 6, 2024, Woodstock, IL. Ms. Lyons 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.

Being there was nothing else to come before the board at this time, Mr. Braasch adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m. with a motion by Ms. Lyons and a second by Mr. Buschman.

SIGNED AND APPROVED BY
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
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