

**RENSSELAER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
25 Van Rensselaer Drive
Rensselaer, New York 12144
July 1, 2020**

District Clerk, Shailyn Payton, called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Jennifer Haggerty, Ms. Dana Endres, and Ms. Lark Rutecki were present.
Ms. Vanessa Salsbury, and Mr. James Preston attended virtually.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Meghan Heimroth, Mr. David Howell and Superintendent Mr. Joseph Kardash were also present. Mr. Dominick Pitaniello, Ms. Colleen Multer, Mr. Bill Spath and Mr. Will DeRuve attended virtually. There were others streaming through FaceBook Live.

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

RESO # 1 - 7/1/20

“I nominate Lark Rutecki for President of the Board of Education of the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year.”

Elect President - Lark Rutecki

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

RESO # 2 - 7/1/20

“I nominate Jennifer Haggerty for Vice President of the Board of Education of Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year.”

Elect Vice President - Jennifer Haggerty

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

RESO # 3 - 7/1/20

“I nominate Dana Endres as Chairperson for the 2020-2021 school year to serve in absence of both the President and the Vice President.”

Designate Chairperson - Dana Endres

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

RESO # 4 - 7/1/20

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates James Preston as a member of the Audit Committee."

Designate Audit Committee Members

APPOINTMENTS

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints the firm of Cusack & Company, CPA, LLC, as Auditors for the Rensselaer City School District for the school fiscal year ending June 30, 2021."

RESO # 9 - 7/1/20
Appoint Auditors - Cusack & Company

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Michael Wolff Advisory Services as Claims Auditor for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year; and further authorizes the Superintendent to execute agreement."

RESO # 10 - 7/1/20
Appoint Claims Auditor - Michael Wolff Advisory Services

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby accepts the proposal of Riverview Pediatrics for providing school physical services to the elementary and secondary students of our District and at the Doane Stuart School for the 2020-2021 school year as an annual cost of \$10,400 with additional per student charges as specified in the proposal."

RESO #11 - 7/1/20
Appoint School Physician

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Kenneth Bond as Bond Counsel for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year."

RESO # 12 - 7/1/20
Appoint Bond Counsel - Kenneth Bond

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5 Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Honeywell Law Firm as School Counsel for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year; and further authorizes the Superintendent to execute the School

RESO # 13 - 7/1/20
Appoint School Counsel - Honeywell Law Firm

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 19 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints members of the 2020-2021 504 Committee on Education."			Appoint 504 Committee Members
Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Motion Carried Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 20 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Elizabeth Whitney as Substitute Chairperson for the 2020-2021 Committees on Special Education and 504 Committee on Education."			Appoint Substitute CSE Chairperson
Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Motion Carried Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 21 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints parent members of the 2020-2021 Committees on Special Education."			Appoint Parent CSE Members
Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Motion Carried Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 22 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Impartial Hearing Officer's List for the 2020-2021 school year."			Approve IHO List
Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Motion Carried Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 23 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints the School Business Official as the District Records Access Officer."			Appoint District Records Access Officer
Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty	Ayes - 5	Nays - 0	Motion Carried Unanimously
By Ms. Dana Endres:			RESO # 24 - 7/1/20
"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the contract with the City of			Approve Contract - City of Rensselaer

Rensselaer to provide tax collection services for the 2020-2021 school year."

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Rensselaer City School District District Wide Safety plan for the 2020-2021 School Year."

RESO # 25 - 7/1/20
Approve RCSD
District Wide Safety
Plan 2020-2021

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Rensselaer City School District Student Handbook for the 2020-2021 School Year."

RESO # 26 - 7/1/20
Approve RCSD
Student Handbook
2020-2021

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints David Howell as the Data Protection Officer."

RESO # 27 - 7/1/20
Appoint Data
Protection Officer -
Dave Howell

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

DESIGNATIONS

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates TD Bank and Metropolitan Bank as the official bank depository for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year."

RESO # 28 - 7/1/20
Designate Banks

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates the Regular Meetings of the Board of Education of the Rensselaer City School District be held on the following dates at 6:30 p.m. for the 2020-2021 school year:

RESO # 29 - 7/1/20
Designate Regular
Board Meeting Dates

Business Official to sign school district checks for the 2020-2021 school year."

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the 2020 Tax Warrant for the collection of taxes for school purposes in the nine wards of the City of Rensselaer in the total amount TBD after second vote."

RESO # 38 - 7/1/20
Authorize 2020 Tax Warrant

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the School Business Official to establish an additional petty cash fund not to exceed \$100 for the District Cafeteria Lunch Change Drawer."

RESO # 39 - 7/1/20
Establish Petty Cash Funds

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

OTHER

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby establishes the allowable IRS rate as the official mileage reimbursement rate for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year based on the submission of travel vouchers."

RESO # 40 - 7/1/20
Establish Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the policies in effect at the end of the 2019-2020 school year."

RESO # 41 - 7/1/20
Reauthorize Policies

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

RESO # 42 - 7/1/20
Establish Rate for

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby establishes rate for Bus Drivers, Bus Mileage, and Maintenance Charges for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2020-2021 school year based on the services provided by the District to a third party."

Third Party Usage

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

**RESO # 43 - 7/1/20
Authorize Substitute
Rates**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Substitute Rates for the 2020-2021 school year."

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

**RESO # 44 - 7/1/20
Authorize Substitute
List**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Substitute List for the 2020-2021 school year."

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

ROUTINE MATTERS

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

**RESO # 45 - 7/1/20
Approve Minutes**

"RESOLVED, the Board approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education dated June 16, 2020."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

REPORTS

Budget Report by Mr. Joseph Kardash and Ms. Meghan Heimroth:

Mr. Kardash presented information regarding a second budget that is being worked on by Ms. Heimroth and himself. The new proposed budget is pending further guidance from the Governor regarding aid, as well as a timeline and how the vote will be conducted. More information will follow when a new Executive Order is released.

NEW BUSINESS

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the payment of ordinary contingent expenses, effective July 1, 2020, until such time as a contingency budget is adopted or a budget is approved per a revote.”

RESO # 46 - 7/1/20
Authorize Contingent Expenses

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the contract with CDB Connections for Special Education services for the 2020-2021 school year.”

RESO # 47 - 7/1/20
Approve Contract - CDB Connections

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the contract with St. Colman's Home Inc. for the 2020-2021 school year.”

RESO # 48 - 7/1/20
Approve Contract - St. Colman's Home

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the contract with Vanderheyden, Inc. for educational services from July 6, 2020 through August 14, 2020.”

RESO # 49 - 7/1/20
Approve Contract - Vanderheyden

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the special education contract with Kimberly Banker Jefferson for the 2020-2021 school year.”

RESO # 50 - 7/1/20
Approve Contract - Kimberly Banker Jefferson

Second: Ms. Jennifer Haggerty

Ayes - 5

Nays - 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the proposed 2020-2021 Cafeteria Fund Budget.”

RESO # 51 - 7/1/20
Approve 2020/2021 Cafeteria Fund Budget

