

**RENSSELAER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**25 Van Rensselaer Drive**  
**Rensselaer, New York 12144**  
**July 1, 2021**

District Clerk, Shailyn Payton, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Lark Rutecki, Ms. Jennifer Haggerty, Ms. Dana Endres, and Ms. Judy Stasack were present. Mr. James Preston was absent.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Meghan Heimroth, Dr. Amy Prabhakaran, Mr. David Howell and Superintendent Mr. Joseph Kardash were also present. There were others streaming through FaceBook Live.

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 1 - 7/1/21**  
**Elect President -**  
**Jennifer Haggerty**

"I nominate Jennifer Haggerty for President of the Board of Education of the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

**RESO # 2 - 7/1/21**  
**Elect Vice President -**  
**Lark Rutecki**

"I nominate Lark Rutecki for Vice President of the Board of Education of the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

**RESO # 3 - 7/1/21**  
**Designate Chairperson**  
**- Judy Stasack**

"I nominate Judy Stasack as Chairperson for the 2021-2022 school year to serve in absence of both the President and the Vice President."

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

**RESO # 4 - 7/1/21**  
**Designate Audit**  
**Committee Members**

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

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates Dana Endres as a member of the Audit Committee."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

**RESO # 5 - 7/1/21  
Designate Audit  
Committee Members**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Jennifer Haggerty:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates Judy Stasack as a member of the Audit Committee."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

**RESO # 6 - 7/1/21  
Designate Audit  
Committee Members**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Dana Endres:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby reappoints Shailyn Payton as District Clerk of the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

**APPOINTMENT OF  
OFFICERS**

**RESO # 7 - 7/1/21  
Appoint District Clerk  
- Shailyn Payton**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby reappoints Meghan Heimroth as District Treasurer of the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

**RESO # 8 - 7/1/21  
Appoint District  
Treasurer - Meghan  
Heimroth**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Ms. Haggerty as President, Ms. Rutecki as Vice President, Ms. Endres, and Ms. Stasack as Board Members, Ms. Payton as District Clerk and Ms. Heimroth as District Treasurer took their Oath of Office.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

**OTHER  
APPOINTMENTS**

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"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, 2022."

**RESO # 9 - 7/1/21  
Appoint Auditors -  
Cusack & Company**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Michael Wolff Advisory Services as Claims Auditor for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year; and further authorizes the Superintendent to execute agreement."

**RESO # 10 - 7/1/21  
Appoint Claims  
Auditor - Michael  
Wolff Advisory  
Services**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"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 2021-2022 school year as an annual cost of \$10,400 with additional per student charges as specified in the proposal."

**RESO #11 - 7/1/21  
Appoint School  
Physician**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Barclay Damon, LLP as Bond counsel for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 12 - 7/1/21  
Appoint Bond Counsel  
- Barclay Damon, LLP**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Honeywell Law Firm as School Counsel for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year; and further authorizes the Superintendent to execute the School District Legal Counsel Agreement."

**RESO # 13 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint School**  
**Counsel - Honeywell**  
**Law Firm**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc. as Financial Advisors to the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 14 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Financial**  
**Advisor - Fiscal**  
**Advisors &**  
**Marketing, Inc.**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Hyman Hemisphere, LLC as Financial Advisors to the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 15 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Financial**  
**Advisor - Hyman**  
**Hemisphere, LLC**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints the Superintendent of Schools as the District's Civil Rights Compliance Officer for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 16 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Civil Rights**  
**Compliance Officer**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints the Superintendent of Schools as the District's Chief Emergency Officer for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 17 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Chief**  
**Emergency Officer**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints members of the 2021-2022 Committees on Special Education and the 2021-2022 subcommittees on Special Education."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 18 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint CSE & CPSE**  
**Members**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints members of the 2021-2022 504 Committee on Education."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 19 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint 504**  
**Committee Members**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Elizabeth Whitney as Substitute Chairperson for the 2021-2022 Committees on Special Education and 504 Committee on Education."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 20 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Substitute**  
**CSE Chairperson**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints Kim Manikas as Substitute Chairperson for the 2021-2022 Committees on Special Education and 504 Committee on Education."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 21 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Substitute**  
**CSE Chairperson**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints parent members of the 2021-2022 Committees on Special Education."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 22 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Parent CSE**  
**Members**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Impartial Hearing Officer's List for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 23 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve IHO List**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints the School Business Official as the District Records Access Officer for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 24 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint District Records Access Officer**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Rensselaer City School District District Wide Safety plan for the 2021-2022 School Year."

**RESO # 25 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve RCSD District Wide Safety Plan 2021-2022**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Rensselaer City School District Student Handbook for the 2021-2022 School Year."

**RESO # 26 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve RCSD Student Handbook 2021-2022**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby appoints David Howell as the Data Protection Officer for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 27 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Data Protection Officer - Dave Howell**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

**DESIGNATIONS**

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby designates TD Bank and Metropolitan Bank as the official bank depository for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 28 - 7/1/21**  
**Designate Banks**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"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 2021-2022 school year:

**RESO # 29 - 7/1/21**  
**Designate Regular Board Meeting Dates**

Thursday, July 1, 2021 LGI

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 LGI



By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the Property Manager to act as Substitute School Purchasing Agent for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 33 - 7/1/21**  
**Substitute School Purchasing Agent - Property Manager**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the School Business Official to establish petty cash funds not to exceed \$50 for each of the District Maintenance Department, the District Cafeteria Fund and the Bus Garage, and further authorize the School Business Official at the Administrative Office, the Property Manager, the Cafeteria Manager and the Transportation Supervisor be designated as the official disbursing agent for these funds using a cash voucher system of accounting."

**RESO # 34 - 7/1/21**  
**Establish Petty Cash Funds**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent to submit applications for Federal Fund Projects for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 35 - 7/1/21**  
**Submit Federal Fund Projects**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the Internal Claim Auditor to certify the payrolls for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 36 - 7/1/21**  
**Internal Claim Auditor to Certify Payroll**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent and School Business Official to sign school district checks for the 2021-2022 school year."

**RESO # 37 - 7/1/21**  
**Authorize Signer of School Checks**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously



By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 38 - 7/1/21  
Authorize 2021 Tax  
Rate**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the 2021 Tax Rate for the collection of taxes for school purposes in the nine wards of the City of Rensselaer in the total amount of \$8,355,463.03."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 39 - 7/1/21  
Establish Petty Cash  
Funds**

"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."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**OTHER**

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 40 - 7/1/21  
Establish Mileage  
Reimbursement Rate**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby establishes the allowable IRS rate as the official mileage reimbursement rate for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year based on the submission of travel vouchers."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 41 - 7/1/21  
Reauthorize Policies**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby authorizes the policies in effect at the end of the 2020-2021 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 42 - 7/1/21  
Establish Rate for  
Third Party Usage**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby establishes rate for Bus Drivers, Bus Mileage, and Maintenance Charges for the Rensselaer City School District for the 2021-2022 school year based on the services provided by the District to a third party."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 43 - 7/1/21  
Authorize Substitute**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Substitute Rates for the 2021-2022 school year."

**Rates**

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 44 - 7/1/21  
Authorize Substitute  
List**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Substitute List for the 2021-2022 school year."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**ROUTINE MATTERS**

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO # 45 - 7/1/21  
Approve Minutes**

"RESOLVED, the Board approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education dated June 16, 2021."

Second: Ms. Dana Endres

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**REPORTS**

**Business Office Report by Ms. Meghan Heimroth:**

Highlighted the stimulus money and extended school day funds the district is due to receive for a finite period of time, in accordance with the guidelines set forth from the federal and state governments.

**NEW BUSINESS**

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

**RESO # 46 - 7/1/21  
Approve Drawdown**

"RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the drawdown of \$4,418.46 from the Alumni Association to cover athletic expenditures from June 12, 2021 through June 30, 2021."

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the second reading and adopts revised Rensselaer City School District Policy # 6700 Purchasing Policy.”

**RESO # 47 - 7/1/21**

**Approve Second Reading & Adopt Policy # 6700**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the second reading and adopts revised Rensselaer City School District Policy # 6700-R Purchasing Regulations Policy.”

**RESO # 48 - 7/1/21**

**Approve Second Reading & Adopt Policy # 6700-R**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the updated Corrective Action Plan in response to the 2019-2020 External Audit, which has been updated in response to Management Decision letter from NYSED as per the recommendation of the School Business Official.”

**RESO # 49 - 7/1/21**

**Approve Updated Corrective Action Plan**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby adopts the following resolution authorizing participation Rensselaer City School District to register for the U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Program:

**RESO # 50 - 7/1/21**

**Approve U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Program**

**WHEREAS**, the Rensselaer City School District pursuant to the authority granted in Section 103 of NYS General Municipal Law desires to participate in the U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Alliance. Said Alliance is sponsored by the Association of School Business Officials International; the National Association of Counties; the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing; the National League of Cities; the United States Conference of Mayors and New York Association of School Business Officials;

**WHEREAS**, the Rensselaer City School District desires to participate for the purpose of fulfilling and executing its respective public governmental purposes, goals, objectives, programs and functions;

**WHEREAS**, the Rensselaer City School District has reviewed the benefits of participating in this program and based on this review has concluded the program will provide the best value to taxpayers of this Rensselaer City School District through the anticipated savings to be realized;



By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the Memorandum or Agreement by and between the Rensselaer City School District and the Rensselaer Teachers' Association and Mary Mahar for the 2021-2022 school year.”

**RESO # 55 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve MOA with**  
**RTA & M. Mahar**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the special education contract with Kimberly Banker Jefferson MA, CCC-SLP to provide speech-language pathology services to Rensselaer City School District Student(s) for the 2021-2022 school year.”

**RESO # 56 - 7/1/20**  
**Approve Contract -**  
**Kimberly Banker**  
**Jefferson**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, the Board hereby adopts the following resolution authorizing the short term lease of school buses:

**RESO # 57 - 7/1/20**  
**Approve Short Term**  
**Lease - School Buses**

**WHEREAS**, the voters of the District at a duly authorized meeting approve the short-term lease of two (2) new IC CE, seventy-two (72) passenger school buses and one (1) new IC CE, seventy-two (72) passenger school bus with luggage pursuant to Chapter 472 of the Session Laws of 1998, at a maximum estimated annual cost of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000.00), and for a term not to exceed five (5) years, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the approved short-term lease for said motor vehicles be and is hereby awarded to the qualified contractor as follows: Leonard Bus Sales, Inc., for a period of five (5) years from the date of said agreement at a cost of forty-four thousand six hundred twenty-three dollars (\$50,558.00).

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**PERSONNEL**

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the resignation of Stephanie Capone, Social Media Mental Health Specialist and Prevention Educator, effective June 30, 2021.”

**RESO # 58 - 7/1/21**  
**Accept Resignation -**  
**Stephanie Capone**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints and employs Jane Platania as a part-time (.5 FTE) Elementary Teacher utilizing the Side Letter of Understanding between the Rensselaer City School District and the Rensselaer Teachers’ Association for the purpose of Ms. Platania continuing in a part-time position; and further authorize the Superintendent to sign same. Mrs. Platania will be paid at the rate of .5 FTE pro-rated according to her FTE status from the former salary schedule included in the current contract between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education.”

**RESO # 59 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve Side Letter of Understanding with RTA & J. Platania**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints and employs Alison Wimmer as a part-time (.5FTE) Physical Education Teacher. Ms. Wimmer will be paid at a rate of .5FTE prorated from Bachelors step 1 of the current salary schedule in the contract between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education. Ms. Wimmer holds a Bachelor’s Degree and NYS Initial Certification in Physical Education.”

**RESO # 60 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Part-Time Physical Education Teacher - Alison Wimmer**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Catherine 'Maggie' Barber to a probationary appointment in the School Psychologist tenure area effective September 1, 2021, for a four-year term tentatively scheduled to conclude on August 31, 2025. Ms. Barber will be paid at a salary of Masters + 30 – Step 6 of the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education. Ms. Barber holds a Master’s Degree and NYS Provisional Certification in School Psychology.”

**RESO # 61 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Psychologist - Catherine 'Maggie' Barber**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board Appoint Connor Gray to a probationary appointment as an Elementary teacher in the Elementary tenure area effective September 1, 2021, for a four-year term tentatively scheduled to conclude on August 31, 2024, contingent upon his successful completion of the probationary term and having received composite or overall APPR ratings of either “Effective”

**RESO # 62 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Teacher - Connor Gray**

having received composite or overall APPK ratings of either Effective or “Highly Effective” in at least three of the four preceding years and a rating higher than “Ineffective” at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Gray will be paid at a salary of Masters – Step 2 of the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education. Mr. Gray's appointment utilizes the Jarema credit for time served as a long term substitute in the same tenure area."

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints and employs Hannah Gillis for one year, effective September 1, 2021 and terminating no later than June 30, 2022 to fill the position held by Krista Jevons who has been granted a leave of absence. Ms. Gillis will be paid at the salary rate of Masters - Step 6 in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education.”

**RESO # 63 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Long Term**  
**Substitute - Hannah**  
**Gillis**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following Teachers to Summer School Positions at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education:

Meghan Charron  
Robert Hillerman  
Kristin Murray  
Andrew Higgs  
John Curran  
Jessica Mouawad  
Charles Seagle

**RESO # 64 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Summer**  
**School Teachers**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following School Nurse to a Summer School Position at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between CSEA and the RCSD Board of Education:

Tammy Slingerland

**RESO # 65 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Summer**  
**School Nurse**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Jeff Palmer as an Elementary Summer School Principal at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RSPA and the RCSD Board of Education for a maximum of 40 hours.”

**RESO # 66 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Elementary Summer School Principal - J. Palmer**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Dom Pitaniello as Secondary Summer School Principal at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RSPA and the RCSD Board of Education for a maximum of 40 hours.”

**RESO # 67 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Secondary Summer School Principal - D. Pitaniello**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Amy Prabhakaran as an Elementary Summer School Principal at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RSPA and the RCSD Board of Education for a maximum of 20 hours.”

**RESO # 68 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Elementary Summer School Principal - A. Prabhakaran**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Amy Prabhakaran as a Secondary Summer School Principal at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RSPA and the RCSD Board of Education for a maximum of 20 hours.”

**RESO # 69 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Secondary Summer School Principal - A. Prabhakaran**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following Bus Drivers to Summer School Positions at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the RCSD Board of Education:

**RESO # 70 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Summer School Bus Drivers**

Edward O'Meara

Joe Gagni

Dennis McClurg



Jerry Bond  
Marian Goca  
Danielle Vadney  
Ed Whited  
Steve Lamere

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

**RESO # 71 - 7/1/21**

**Appoint Summer  
School Teachers Aides**

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following Teacher Aides to Summer School Positions at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the RCSD Board of Education:

Thomas Moore  
Mary Kenna  
Lori Villegas  
Phil Elaqua  
Cathy Cabrera  
Jennifer Abair

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

**RESO # 72 - 7/1/21**

**Appoint Part-Time (.  
3FTE) Teacher -  
Robert Hoffman**

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints and employs Robert Hoffman as a part-time (.3FTE) Social Studies Teacher. Mr. Hoffman will be paid at a rate of .3FTE prorated from Step 16 BA of the current salary schedule in the contract between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education. Mr. Hoffman holds a Master’s Degree and NYS Certification in Social Studies.

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

**RESO # 73 - 7/1/21**

**Approve Managerial /  
Confidential  
Employees  
Compensation**

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board

hereby approves a 4.75% increase for Managerial/Confidential Employees not covered by a bargaining unit or union effective July 1, 2021.”

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Theresa Stasack for an annual stipend of \$8,000.00, for services provided as Operations & Maintenance Supervisor.”

**RESO # 74 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve Stipend -**  
**Theresa Stasack**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints David Howell for an annual stipend of \$2,500.00, for services provided as Safety & Security Systems Manager.”

**RESO # 75 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve Stipend -**  
**David Howell**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Shailyn Payton as the tax collector for the 2021-2022 school year with a stipend of \$1,800.00.”

**RESO # 76 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve Tax**  
**Collector - Shailyn**  
**Payton**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following as Substitute Teachers to Summer School Positions at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education:”

Deb Sklar  
Regina Zobel  
Dan Savaria  
Samantha Shanahan

**RESO # 77 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Substitute**  
**Summer School**  
**Teachers**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following as Substitute Teachers to Summer School Positions at the agreed upon rate of the negotiated agreement between the RTA and the RCSD Board of Education:”

Mary Kenna

**RESO # 78 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Substitute**  
**Summer School**  
**Teachers Aides**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints the following as Substitute Teachers at the Board of Education approved rate as per their education level, pending confirmation of fingerprints effective July 1, 2021:”

Bob Stranahan  
Mike Toney  
Evan Morier  
Kathy Dominy-White

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 79 - 7/1/21**  
**Appoint Substitute Teachers**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the Committee on Special Education Minutes dated June 9, 2021 through July 1, 2021.”

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 80 - 7/1/21**

**Approve CSE Minutes**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the Committee on Special Education Meeting recommendations for Compensatory Service Plans.”

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 81 - 7/1/21**  
**Approve CSE Compensatory Service Plan**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**OTHER**

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby reaffirms commission proceeds from the District-wide general purpose vending machines to be issued to the Rensselaer Athletic Association.”

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

**RESO # 82 - 7/1/21**  
**Commission Proceeds Issued to RAA**

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the application for a cooperatively sponsored Wrestling team with Loudonville Christian School.”

**RESO # 83 - 7/1/21**

**Approve Merger with Loudonville Christian School**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby reaffirms the following cooperatively sponsored sports teams with Doane Stuart:

- Tennis
- Boys Cross Country
- Girls Cross Country
- Volleyball
- Soccer
- Boys Track and Field
- Girls Track and Field

**RESO # 84 - 7/1/21**

**Reaffirm Mergers with Doane Stuart School**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby reaffirms the following cooperatively sponsored sports teams with Loudonville Christian School:

- Football

**RESO # 85 - 7/1/21**

**Reaffirm Mergers with Loudonville Christian School**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby declares as surplus and allows for disposal of all items listed on the H304 spreadsheet dated July 1, 2021.”

**RESO # 86 - 7/1/21**

**Declare Surplus**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

By Ms. Judy Stasack:

“Be it resolved that the Board of Education enters into executive session at 7:14 p.m. during which time matters concerning collective negotiations will be discussed.”

**RESO # 87 - 7/1/21**

**Executive Session**

Second: Ms. Lark Rutecki

Ayes - 4      Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:44 P.M.**

By Ms. Lark Rutecki:

**RESO #88 - 7/1/21**

**Adjourn**

"Motion to adjourn at 7:44 p.m."

Second: Ms. Judy Stasack

Ayes - 4

Nays - 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Shailyn Payton  
Clerk to the Board of Education

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