

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF  
CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION**

Board President, Chad Boldry, called the July 21, 2021, meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 P.M. Present at the session were board members: Mr. Jeffery Smith, Mrs. Beth Howard, Mrs. Cristie Rans, and Mr. Roger Byrum. Also present were: Superintendent, Dr. Paul Voigt, Mr. Chuck Evans, Ms. Jennifer Lukens, Mrs. Gina Hierlmeier, Mrs. Angie Miller, Ms. Anita Doan, and Ms. Colleen Diveley. Others present were: Evelyn Byrum, Edison Byrum, Karen Byrum, Jennifer Scott, Crysta Bowyer, Vicky Maroney, Jonathan Allender, and Deb Lecklider.

**Celebrations:**

Caston Robotics won the Innovative Award at the Worlds Competition

New teachers are hired for 2021-2022 school year

Caston has implemented the Staff Spotlight, which honors one Caston staff member per month for their dedication and hard work on behalf of the Caston School Corporation.

Many Caston students have been competing in the area 4-H fairs.

Caston Cheerleaders have also been working hard at the county fairs selling Red Barn Ears.

**Special Student Presentation:**

Edison Byrum and Isabelle Scales collaborated on a presentation for the board and all present regarding improvements they would like to see happen with Caston Athletics from a student perspective. Topics included, Weights Program, Improvements to the Caston Track, and School Spirit. Isabelle was unable to attend, and Edison gave the presentation. The board was appreciative of Edison and Isabella's efforts and thanked Edison for speaking to them about their concerns.

**Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items:** None

**Consent Agenda:** Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

- a. Approve minutes of the June 9, 2021 Public Meeting of the Caston School Board of Trustees
- b. Approve minutes of the June 23, 2021 Executive Session Meeting
- c. Presentation and review of claims
- d. Resignations:
  1. Carmen Holderfield, FACS Teacher
  2. Taylor Michael, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher
  3. Taylor Huber, 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
  4. Lori Williams, Jr./Sr. High Math Teacher
- e. Employment:
  1. Will Porter – Head Football Coach
  2. Pat Rombold – Assistant Football Coach
  3. Chris Ulerick – Assistant Football Coach
  4. Blake Mollenkopf – Jr. High Football Coach
  5. Blair Zimmerman – Head Girls Cross Country Coach
  6. Blair Zimmerman – Head Boys Cross Country Coach
  7. Dave Sommers – Volunteer Assistant Cross Country Coach
  8. Evelyn Byrum – Jr. High Cross-Country Coach
  9. Narcizo Sanchez – Head Soccer Coach
  10. Shelly Johnson – Assistant Soccer Coach

11. Levi Lowe – Volunteer Assistant Soccer Coach
12. Alex Howdeshell – Volunteer Soccer Coach
13. Matt Reichert – Volunteer Soccer Coach
14. Amadeo Medina – Jr. High Soccer Coach
15. Ellen King – Head/JV Cheer Coach
16. Beth Howard – Volunteer Assistant Cheer Coach
17. Erika Enyart – JV Volunteer Assistant Cheer Coach
18. Melinda Shultz – Head Girls Volleyball Coach
19. Dan Williams – Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach
20. Kyra Estrada – Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach
21. Rich Shultz – Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach
22. Bailey Shultz – Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach
23. Delonna Logan – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach
24. Josette Martz – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach
25. Lindsey Jones – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach
26. Maggie Rock – Cafeteria Staff
27. Crysta Bowyer – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher
28. Vicky Maraoney – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
29. Jennifer Scott – Kindergarten Teacher
30. Jonathan Allender – Jr/Sr High Band Teacher
31. Abby Birnell-Beall – Art Teacher
32. Colleen Santillana – Jr/Sr High Math Teacher
33. Paula Hernandez Gallego – Spanish Teacher
34. Matthew Sitts - Jr/Sr High Choir Teacher
35. Leah Hinderlider – Jr/Sr High FACS Teacher
36. Abby Birnell-Beall – Summer STEAM Camp Art Teacher

f. Presentation and review of June 30, 2021 Treasurer’s Report and Revenue Report

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Old Business:**

Beth Howard moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to approve the Second Reading - 2021-22 Parent/Student Handbook & Athletic Handbook

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Beth Howard to deny the bid alternative be added to the wastewater Treatment Plant Project

***Unanimous 5-0***

**New Business:**

Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve the Adoption of resolution for mid-year transfers to the 2021 budget

***Unanimous 5-0***

Beth Howard moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to grant Approval of annual membership for Dr. Paul Voigt for Indiana Association of Public-School Superintendents 2021-2022 Institutional Membership

***Unanimous 5-0***

Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to grant Approval for the Mobile Food Pantry to use the Caston parking lot on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to grant Approval of 1-year contract extensions and annual base salaries for Jr/Sr High Principal, Elementary Principal, Curriculum Coordinator and Athletic Director

*Unanimous 5-0*

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve Approval of bids for 2021-2022 food vendors for our cafeteria through NIESC

*Unanimous 5-0*

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to grant Approval for purchase of 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade classroom furniture

*Unanimous 5-0*

**Other Business:** None

**Reports/Information:**

ECA Monthly Financial Report (June 2021)

Principal's Report

Ms. Lukens reported that newly hired elementary teachers are coming in and setting up their classrooms. Mr. Evans reported that new teachers have been hired with one position still open.

Curriculum Report

Mrs. Miller reported that mentor teachers will be meeting next week; K-12 Visible Learning Training upcoming

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Voigt reported 9-12 Grade Orientation will be August 9<sup>th</sup>; Caston Online Registration is available now through the corporation website, and that over \$44,000.00 has been donated to the corporation over the last year. This year's Faculty and Staff Back to School Breakfast will be at 8:00 A.M., Wednesday, August 11, 2021.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

Roger Byrum asked if the corporation holds exit interviews with departing faculty members. Mr. Evans said not formally, but he and Ms. Lukens know what prompts someone to leave the corporation, and it usually due to relocation.

The Board Retreat was mentioned as an upcoming event.

The next regular board meeting will be held on August 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bruce E. Cress Boardroom, Caston Administration Building.

**Adjournment:** Beth Howard moved, seconded by Jeff Smith that the regular meeting be adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

***Unanimous 5-0***

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