

**MINUTES OF THE SEA 390 PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE CASTON CLASSROOM TEACHERS AND
CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION**

**August 16, 2023
6:30 P.M.**

Board President, Beth Howard, called the public hearing to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 P.M. Present were board members: Mrs. Cristie Rans, Mr. Chad Boldry, Mr. Roger Byrum, and Mr. Jeff Smith. Also present were Superintendent Mrs. Angela Miller, Corporation Attorney Mrs. Lauren Adley, Jr-Sr High Principal Mr. Chuck Evans, Elementary Principal Ms. Jennifer Lukens, Director of Guidance/CCTA President Ms. Anita Doan, HR/Personnel Associate/Deputy Treasurer, Mrs. Elaine Sutton, and Administrative Assistant Ms. Colleen Diveley.

Ms. Doan spoke to the board about the collective bargaining timeline. Aside from her comments, there was no other public comment and Beth Howard adjourned the public hearing at 6:33 P.M.

CASTON BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

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

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Following SEA 390 Public Hearing**

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Celebrations:

School has begun and things are running smoothly in these first few days of attendance.

Staff Spotlight:

Ms. Valerie Gray is the 2023-24 school year's first Spotlight award recipient. The person nominating Valerie said she always keeps things clean and safe for students and staff and goes out of her way to keep things clean. Great job performance Valerie, and congratulations on your upcoming twenty years of service to Caston School Corporation!

Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items: None

Consent Agenda: *Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the consent agenda items as printed, with section C, item b, being stricken for a separate vote:*

Approve minutes of the following meeting of the Caston School Board of Trustees:

1. Approve minutes:
 - 1.) July 19, 2023 Public Meeting of the Caston School Board of Trustees
- b. Presentation and review of claims
- c. Employment:
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 - a.) Rebecca Rude, Elementary Special Education Assistant
 - ~~b.) Erin Smith, Elementary SEL Instructional Assistant~~
 - c.) Jocelyn Ricket, Elementary Instructional Assistant
 - d.) Jessica Bell, Elementary Special Education Assistant
 - e.) Joyce Shaffer, Kindergarten Teacher
 - f.) Jessica Hoffman, JR SR High Science Teacher
 - 2.) Resignations
 - a.) Lindsey Clemons, Corporation Treasurer
 - b.) Alyssa Scott, JR SR High Science Teacher
- d. Presentation and review of Treasurer's and Revenue Report

Unanimous 5-0

Consent Agenda, Section C, Item B:

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve Erin Smith as Elementary SEL Instructional Assistant

Unanimous 4-0 (Jeff Smith abstained)

Old Business: None

New Business:

a. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve board policy 3220.01 – Teacher Appreciation Grants

Unanimous 5-0

b. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the Annual Teacher Evaluation Plan for 2023 – 2024

Unanimous 5-0

c. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the Class of 2024 senior trip to Nashville, TN , March 17-21, 2024

Unanimous 5-0

d. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve removing Lindsey Clemons from the Caston Education Center and the Caston School Corporation banking accounts

Unanimous 5-0

Other Business:

a. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the resignations of Kylee Sutton, Elementary Paraprofessional, and Ashly Berry, Elementary Paraprofessional

Unanimous 5-0

b. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the disposal of surplus old student desks and chairs

Unanimous 5-0

Reports/Information:

ECA monthly financial report (July 2023)

Principal's Reports

Ms. Lukens said school is off to a good start. The Boohoo Breakfast went well with most of the tears coming from the adults, not the kindergartners! Mr. Evans said the Jr.-Sr. side of the school is off to a good start as well. The Girls' Volleyball team has made school athletics history before school ever started! They won the Cass County Tournament for the first time in school history! Way to go girls!

Curriculum Report

None

Superintendent Report

Mrs. Miller shared news of our newest hires, our last summer project that is underway, IREAD scores, Strategic Plan updates, and board meeting updates. She let the board know of the \$4900.00 grant awarded to Mr. Korniak's FFA, and thanked all the staff who prepared the building, buses, and grounds for the students' return to school. Topping off our return to school is a Friday night carnival sponsored by the Comet Pride Club, a Tailgating Party at the Ag shop, and a home football game.

Public Comment:

None

Board Comment:

None

The next regular board meeting will be held on September 20, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. in the Bruce E. Cress Boardroom of the Caston Administration Building.

Adjournment: Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Roger Byrum that the regular meeting be adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

Unanimous 5-0

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