

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL REORGANIZATION  
& BOARD OF FINANCE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF  
CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION**

2023 Board President, Beth Howard, called the January 3, 2024, Annual Reorganization Meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 P.M. Present were board members: Mrs. Cristie Rans, Mr. Jeff Smith, Mr. Chad Boldry, and Mr. Roger Byrum. Also present were Superintendent Mrs. Angela Miller, Corporation Attorney Mrs. Lauren Adley, Corporation Treasurer Mrs. Elaine Sutton, and Administrative Assistant Ms. Colleen Diveley.

**Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items:** None

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

Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve minutes of the December Meetings as follows:
- b. December 20, 2023, Monthly Board Meeting
- c. Approve Year-End Appropriation Transfers
- d. Resignations/Retirements:
- e. Employment:

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** After discussion it was determined the regular board meetings for the 2024 calendar year of the Caston School Board of Trustees would be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. in the Bruce E. Cress Board Room of the Caston School Corporation Administration Building.

***Consensus***

**Board Reorganization:** Board President Beth Howard opened nominations for the office of **President** of the Caston School Board of Trustees for the 2024 Calendar Year. Cristie Rans nominated Beth Howard for President. Chad Boldry moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to close nominations for Board President, and Beth Howard was unanimously elected as President.

***Unanimous 5-0***

President Beth Howard opened nominations for the office of **Vice President** of the Caston School Board of Trustees for the 2024 Calendar Year. Cristie Rans nominated Jeff Smith for Vice-President. Chad Boldry moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to close nominations. Jeff Smith was elected unanimously as Vice President.

***Unanimous 5-0***

President Beth Howard opened nominations for the office of **Secretary** of the Caston School Board of Trustees for the 2024 Calendar Year. Cristie Rans nominated Roger Byrum to serve as Secretary. Chad Boldry, seconded by Cristie Rans moved to close nominations, and Roger Byrum was unanimously elected as Secretary.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to appoint Lauren Adley as Corporation Attorney with an hourly basis pay, rather than an annual retainer fee.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to appoint Elaine Sutton as Corporation Treasurer & set bond for \$100,000.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to appoint April Oberkrom to the office of Deputy Treasurer.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to appoint Mrs. Erin Kline as ECA Treasurer & Set Bond for \$50,000.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Chad Boldry moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to appoint Mr. Chuck Evans as Extra Curricular Fund Financial Administrator.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to appoint Ms. Jennifer Lukens and Ms. Gina Hierlmeier as Extra Curricular Fund Assistant Financial Administrators.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to appoint Ms. Jennifer Lukens as Title IX Coordinator.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to appoint Cristie Rans as ISBA Legislative Liaison.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to appoint Beth Howard and Cristie Rans as board representatives on the negotiations team.

***Unanimous 5-0***

The annual Conflict of Interest Statement signed by board member, Roger Byrum and board president Beth Howard was presented at tonight's meeting.

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to set the bond for Food Service Director, Alysha Marrs, Cafeteria Head Cashier, Jeannette (Liz) Taylor, and Athletic Director, Trent Tocco at \$50,000 each.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve keeping compensation of Board Members the same as the 2023 board meeting rates.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the Resolution for Rainy Day Fund for Fiscal year 2024.

***Unanimous 5-0***

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the Resolution to Deposit or Transfer Interest to the 2024 Operations Fund.

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Other Business:** None

**Reports/Information:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Chad Boldry that the 2024 Reorganization Meeting be adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

***Unanimous 5-0***

**CASTON BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

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**Annual Board of Finance Meeting**

President Beth Howard called to order the annual Board of Finance Meeting at 6:50 P.M. Present at the meeting were: Cristie Rans, Jeff Smith, Chad Boldry, Roger Byrum, Angela Miller, Lauren Adley, Elaine Sutton, and Colleen Diveley.

President Beth Howard opened nominations for Board of Finance President. Chad Boldry nominated Beth Howard. Jeff Smith moved, and Roger Byrum seconded to close the nominations. The board voted unanimously 5-0 to elect Beth Howard as Board of Finance President.

***Unanimous 5-0***

President Beth Howard opened nominations for Board of Finance Secretary. Jeff Smith nominated Roger Byrum. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to close the nominations. The board voted unanimously 5-0 to elect Roger Byrum as Board of Finance Secretary.

***Unanimous 5-0***

The board reviewed the report submitted by Superintendent Angela Miller, assessing the financial condition of the School Corporation using the fiscal and qualitative indicators determined under I.C. 20-19-7-4 as required in Section 8 of IC 5-13-7-8 effective July 1, 2019.

Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to adjourn the 2024 Board of Finance Meeting at 6:57 P.M.

***Unanimous 5-0***

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