

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

**June 19, 2024  
6:48 P.M.**

Board President, Beth Howard, called the June 19, 2024, meeting to order following the public hearing, at 6:48 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, Ms. Lauren Adley, Jr-Sr High Principal, Mr. Chuck Evans, Elementary Principal, Ms. Jennifer Lukens, Jr-Sr High Assistant Principal, Gina Hierlmeier, Director of Guidance/CCTA President, Ms. Anita Doan, Corporation Treasurer, Mrs. Elaine Sutton, and Administrative Assistant Ms. Colleen Diveley. Caston PBIS team members present were Mrs. Leah Hinderlider and Mrs. Sidney Baker. Caston's new elementary special education teacher, Allison Miller was present, Caston Building Corporation member, Allen Paschen, and community member Scott Rudicel were also present.

**Celebrations:** Caston has seen successes this month with the 2024 graduating class, the start of summer school for elementary and high school, strength training for ninety athletes, National FFA convention placings, Caston athletes named by the Pharos Tribune as All-Star Athletes, and having Blake Mollenkopf and Nick Stuber named as All-Star baseball coaches.

**PBIS Presentation:** Leah Hinderlider and Sidney Baker gave a presentation on PBIS and how it will be used with Caston students and staff in the coming school year.

**Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items:** None

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

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

- a.
  1. May 22, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- b. Presentation and review of claims
- c. Resignations/Retirement:
- d. Employment:
  1. Allison Miller - Elementary Special Education Teacher
  2. Tanyna Hubenthal - STEAM Camp Instructional Assistant
  3. Shari Bloom - Business Teacher
  4. Avery Gerwin - Choir Director
  5. Jordan Santillana - Physical Education Teacher
  6. Brandon Kinser - Co-Summer Weight Room Supervision
  7. Blake Mollenkopf - Co-Summer Weight Room Supervision
  8. Carl Davis - Summer Co-Weight Room Supervision
  9. Blair Zimmerman - Co-Summer Weight Room Supervision
- e. Presentation and review of May 2024 Treasurer's Report and Revenue Reports

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

a. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the food procurement renewals

***Unanimous 5-0***

b. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve a resolution for investment of cash balance

***Unanimous 5-0***

c. Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the contract and annual base salaries for JH/HS Principal, Elementary Principal, Assistant Principal

***Unanimous 5-0***

d. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve the appointment of Dave Wynn to the Logansport-Cass County Public Library Board

***Unanimous 5-0***

e. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the use of facilities for the Sunday evening basketball from April 21, 2024, through August 30, 2024

***Unanimous 5-0***

f. Roger Byrum moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve the use of facilities for the Distinguished Young Women practice and competition, fall of 2024

***Unanimous 5-0***

g. Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to approve the counselor overnight retreat, June 17-18, for Tina Paschen and Tina Zechiel in Shipshewana, IN

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Other Business:**

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve Lauren Adley's Request for Proposal to continue her agreement to be the Caston School Board attorney beginning January 1, 2025

***Unanimous 5-0***

Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Chad Boldry to grant approval for Angela Miller to participate in the IAPSS EPIC program during the 2024-2025 school year

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Reports/Information:**

ECA monthly financial report (May 2024)

Principal's Reports

Many activities are underway in the building right now with students attending Summer Band and Summer School, teachers are busy with Curriculum Mapping and prepping for the new year. The administrators recently traveled to their annual retreat which they found to be a very positive experience.

Superintendent Report

Mrs. Miller reported to the board on the progress being made with the playground renovation, noting that the sidewalks are in, and trees have been removed. The new parking area for persons with disabilities is progressing well.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Board Comment:**

None

The next regular board meeting will be held on July 17, 2024, 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 7:24 P.M.

***Unanimous 5-0***

**CASTON BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

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