

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

**September 21, 2022  
Following Budget Hearing**

Board President, Chad Boldry, called the September 21, 2022 meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:43 P.M. Present were board members: Mrs. Cristie Rans, Mrs. Beth Howard, Mr. Roger Byrum, and Mr. Jeff Smith. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Paul Voigt, Corporation Attorney Mrs. Lauren Adley, High School Principal Mr. Chuck Evans, Elementary Principal Ms. Jennifer Lukens, Curriculum Director Mrs. Angela Miller, Director of Guidance/CCTA President Ms. Anita Doan, Corporation Treasurer Ms. Susan Loftain, Building & Maintenance Director Mr. Uriah Horn, and Administrative Assistant Ms. Colleen Diveley. Community members present were Mrs. Jamie Taylor, Mr. Todd Wilson, and Mr. Marty Zartman.

**Celebrations:**

Homecoming week is in full swing with many events going on at the school. Our Caston Comets will play against the North White Vikings on Friday at 7:00 P.M.

**Staff Spotlight:**

Mr. Dan Williams, Technology Director was named the September Staff Spotlight award winner. He was nominated by high school teacher, Mr. Nick Stuber. Mr. Stuber said that Dan always helps students and staff with their computer questions and problems, and always works hard through the summer to make sure that Caston's technology is always advancing. Dr. Voigt said that Dan is very dedicated to his work, family, and the Caston students. Congratulations Dan!

**Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items:**

None

**Consent Agenda:** Before voting on the Consent Agenda, it was decided that items 14 and 28 be pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately. With that agreement, Beth Howard moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve the consent agenda minus numbers 14 and 28.

- a. Approve meeting minutes of the School Board of Trustees as follows:
  1. August 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
  2. August 17, 2022 Executive Session
- b. Presentation and review of claims
- c. Employment:
  1. Resignations/Leaves of Absence
    1. Missy Zartman – Bus Driver
    2. Karen Byrum – Elem. Robotics Coach
  2. Hiring
    1. Megan Young – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    2. Hunter Schanlaub – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    3. Josh Craig – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    4. Josh Coffing – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach

5. Steve Young – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
6. Josette Martz – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach
7. Josh Douglass – Girls Varsity Head Basketball Coach
8. Blake Harness – Girls Varsity Asst Basketball Coach
9. Samantha Schanlaub – Girls Varsity Asst Basketball Coach
10. Brent Thomas – Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach
11. Hunter Schanlaub – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach
12. Josh Craig – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach
13. Braden Chandler – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach
- ~~14. Mike Rans – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach~~
15. Brandon Kinser – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach
16. Blake Mollenkopf – JH Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach
17. Carl Davis – Boys Varsity Head Basketball Coach
18. Chip Woodhouse – Boys Varsity Asst Basketball Coach
19. Bob Daily – Boys Varsity Asst Basketball Coach
20. Chuck Evans – Boys Varsity Volunteer Basketball Coach
21. Mark Evans – Head Varsity Wrestling Coach
22. Scott Wilburn – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach
23. Mark Evans – Co JH Wrestling Coach
24. Sam DuVall – Co JH Wrestling Coach
25. Brandon Kinser – Winter Weight Room Supervisor
26. Elias Jones – Elem. Robotics Coach
27. Jamie Taylor Jr/Sr High Robotics Coach
- ~~28. Roger Byrum – Volunteer Robotics Coach~~
29. Laura Ault – Volunteer Robotics Coach
30. Brian Flenar – Volunteer Robotics Coach
31. Abigail Robbins – Volunteer Robotics Coach
32. Kevin Robbins – Volunteer Robotics Coach
33. Lisa Fellers – Volunteer Robotics Coach
34. Amber Helt – Volunteer Robotics Coach
35. Jessica France – Volunteer Robotics Coach
36. Brian Shafer – Volunteer Robotics Coach
37. Lindsay Brubaker – Bus Driver
38. Aaron Ogle – Custodian
39. Benjamin Brubaker – Head Custodian
40. Sidney Baker – Special Educ. Teacher

d. Presentation and review of August, 2022 Treasurer's Report and Revenue Report

***Unanimous 5-0***

Item: #14 Beth Howard moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve Mike Rans – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach

***Unanimous 4-0  
Cristie Rans Abstained***

Item: #28 Beth Howard moved, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve Roger Byrum – Volunteer Robotics Coach

***Unanimous 4-0  
Roger Byrum Abstained***

**Old Business:**

Dr. Voigt reported to the board the resignation of Ashley Moon, Bus Driver, was withdrawn.

**New Business:**

a. Kevin Livingston of Emcor joined the board meeting remotely for a presentation and discussion on scope and pricing for the proposed elementary HVAC upgrades. The board asked Dr. Voigt to look into the cost of upgrading a portion of the west side of the elementary classrooms and completing the upgrade of the elementary gym.

b. Cristie Rans moved, seconded by Beth Howard to grant approval to approve the Caston Elementary & Jr./Sr. High School Improvement Plans

***Unanimous 5-0***

c. Beth Howard moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to approve the request for the High School Robotics team to attend an overnight robotic competition in Speedway, IN, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

***Unanimous 5-0***

d. Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Roger Byrum to approve use of facilities request for Caston Wrestling Club to use the wrestling room for club practices

***Unanimous 5-0***

e. Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to grant approval for Dr. Paul Voigt to attend the Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy in Indianapolis – Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> and the ISBA Fall Conference – Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Other Business:**

a. Beth Howard moved, seconded by Cristie Rans to approve the overnight field trip for the Caston FFA to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>

***Unanimous 5-0***

**Reports/Information:**

ECA monthly financial report (August 2022)

Principal's Reports

Ms. Lukens spoke to the board and Dr. Voigt about grade level Interventions currently taking place to help elementary students. She also had great things to say about Mrs. Amber Helt, Caston's Library Media Specialist, and the way she is working with elementary students to produce the daily video announcements. It is hoped there will soon be a YouTube channel for the Elementary Announcements.

Mr. Evans told the board the newly approved Head Custodian, Benjamin Brubaker, will be starting work Monday. In addition to the Homecoming activities this week, there is also a spaghetti dinner on Friday from 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. to raise money for this year's senior trip to Nashville, Tennessee. The high school Fall Music Concert will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup>, and the first round of NWEA testing is complete.

Curriculum Report

Mrs. Angie Miller thanked the building principals for their help with PLC, spoke about the Visible Learning training for Caston’s new teachers, and gave statistics from this year’s Summer School programs to the board.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Voigt reported that the current student count for Caston is 835. This is higher than last year’s ADM count at this same time. The ISBA Conference is coming up and Dr. Voigt welcomed the board to join him at the conference. A big thank you was given to treasurer, Susan Loftain, who worked very hard to meet deadlines and complete the 2023 Caston Budget for 2023.

**Public Comment:**

Todd Wilson asked about Caston’s weather delay procedures, and how decisions are made to delay or cancel school. Dr. Voigt explained the procedures to him and all present.

**Board Comment:**

The next regular board meeting will be held on October 26, 2022, at 6:30 P.M. in the Bruce E. Cress Boardroom of the Caston Administration Building.

**Adjournment:** Jeff Smith moved, seconded by Beth Howard that the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:13 P.M.

***Unanimous 5-0***

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