

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

The Caston Board of School Trustees met Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 4:30 P.M. in the administration building. Present were Board members Mrs. Beth Howard, Mrs. Michaela Slisher, Mr. Jason Herd & Mr. Bruce Cress. Mr. Gary Baumgardner was unable to attend. Superintendent - Mrs. Lucinda Douglass, Corporation Attorney - Mr. Andrew Achey, Elementary Principal - Mrs. Katie Miller, and Technology Director – Mr. Dan Williams were also in attendance.

Board President Mr. Bruce Cress called the regular meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 4:30 P.M.

Celebrations:

- Caston School Corporation received a generous donation for the music department from The Andersons – a check for \$6300.00, which is to be utilized for the purchase of a new cordless microphone system.
- Congratulations to Braden Moss for qualifying for the Wrestling Regionals at Rochester.
- The following students received gold awards at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest on Saturday: Carrie Sailors, Madison Shultz, Brock Buczkowski, Rian McVay, Mark Smith, Sarah Donaldson, Kyler Spencer, and Sam Rhymer. Silver awards went to Carrie Smith, Sarah Donaldson, Zach Conrad, Matt Holliman, Bryana Slisher and Luke Sutton. Three students will advance to state – Madison Shultz, Sam Rhymer and Kyler Spencer.
- Choir students participating in contests: Receiving a gold rating for a solo was Hayden Tomlinson. Elizabeth Byrum received a gold rating on her piano solo. Advancing to state for vocal solos with gold ratings were: Madison Taylor, Addie Sarver, Andrew Smith, Braden Vorhees, Sarah Donaldson and Courtney Fry.

Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items: None

Consent Agenda: Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a. Approve minutes of the January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Caston School Board of Trustees.
- b. Approve minutes of the February 7, 2015 Public Work Session.
- c. Presentation and review of claims #36371 - #36897.
- d. Approve recommendation to employ Katie Goodnight as JV Volleyball Coach for the 2015-16 Season per approved extracurricular stipend.
- e. Approve recommendation to employ Blair Zimmerman at entry level 8 for the position of Technology Associate for Caston School Corporation effective immediately.
- f. Approve Treasurer's Report for January, 2015.

Unanimous 4-0

New Business:

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Jason Herd to approve the following surplus items for offering to general public via Caston's on-line auction available Monday, February 16, 2015 – February 27, 2015:

- i. GMC Truck – Asset number 90136
- ii. Western Plow – Asset number 90115 (*included with truck*)
- iii. TORO 325D - Asset number 111

Unanimous 4-0

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Jason Herd to approve 2015-2016 Caston School Corporation Calendar as recommended.

Unanimous 4-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve the transfer of \$87,766 to Rainy Day Fund per resolution of Caston School Board of Trustees (\$70,869 from General Fund and \$16,897 from Transportation Fund).

Unanimous 4-0

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve the transfer of \$18,678 from Debt Service to Extra-Curricular Textbook Rental Fund per Indiana Code 20-40-9-7(b) as per DLGF Budget Order.

Unanimous 4-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher, to approve purchase of computer hardware and accessories per recommendation of technology director, Mr. Dan Williams providing needed upgrades, replacements and supplemental accessory purchases to meet corporation-wide technology needs in the amount of \$14,045.48.

Unanimous 4-0

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve annual membership to IASBO (Indiana Association for School Business Officials) for Caston School Corporation Central Office Staff – Mrs. Lucinda Douglass, Mrs. Angela Chapman and Mrs. Angela Douglass.

Unanimous 4-0

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve use of facilities request from Fulton Athletic League, Inc. to utilize the cafeteria (dining area only) for the annual organization meeting on Thursday, March 19th, 7:00 – 8:30 PM. No fee for group will be charged.

Unanimous 4-0

Board Policy:

First Reading of New/Revised Board Policy

- 1) 3131

Consensus given for first reading of board policy 3131

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Jason Herd, to adopt the following new and revised policies following a second reading as follows:

Second Reading of New/Revised Board Policies as follows:

- 1) 0100
- 2) 0140
- 3) 2221
- 4) 3120.04
- 5) 3120.08
- 6) 3122.01
- 7) 3140
- 8) 5330
- 9) 3701.01
- 10) 3419

Unanimous 4-0

Other Business: Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve Caston School Corporation’s sponsorship of Fulton County Drug Free Campaign by running a one-week radio advertisement.

Unanimous 4-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve an \$85 stipend for any bus drivers who voluntarily attend the state sponsored active shooter training in Indianapolis to be held in June, 2015.

Unanimous 4-0

Michaela Slisher moved, seconded by Jason Herd to accept a \$6300 donation from The Andersons to be utilized by the Caston Music Department to purchase a new cordless microphone system for school programs.

Unanimous 5-0

Reports/Information: The following reports were presented to the board for review and discussion:

- a. Revenue report as of January, 2015
- b. Superintendent’s Corner submission to Pharos Tribune
- c. Indiana Public School Funding – Foundation per Pupil 2008 - 2015

Public Comment: *(None)*

Board Comment:

- The time of the next board meeting has been adjusted to 4:30 PM on March 17, 2015.
- An additional board work session has been planned for March 4th at 6:30 PM., the focus of this meeting will be to discuss potential future capital projects.
- Bruce Cress commented that he felt the board retreat held as a public work session on February 7, 2015 was very productive and it was a good retreat.
- Michaela Slisher mentioned that Plymouth School Corporation has placed a billboard in the Rochester area. She also mentioned that seeing the claim for McHale Auditorium reminded her of how nice it was to have programs there, and she would like to see if there would be any interest or possibility of holding the Spring program there as well.
- Jason Herd thanked Mrs. Miller for sending the Elementary announcements and also stated that he enjoyed the board retreat.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Slisher moved, seconded by Mrs. Howard that the regular meeting be adjourned. At 5:29 P.M.

Unanimous 4-0

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