

**MINUTES OF THE PROJECT HEARING
AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF
CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION**

Regular Meeting: The Caston School Board of Trustees held a meeting on June 15, 2016. Board President Bruce Cress called the regular meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 P.M. Present at the meeting were Board members Mr. Jason Herd, Mr. Bruce Cress, Mrs. Beth Howard, Mr. Gary Baumgardner and Mrs. Michaela Slisher. Also attending were: Superintendent, Mrs. Lucinda Douglass; Andrew Achey, Corporation Attorney; Chuck Evans, Jr-Sr High School Principal; Angela Miller, Curriculum Coordinator; Cristie Rans, Don Helmick, Blake Mollenkopf and Beau Wicker of the Pharos Tribune.

Celebrations:

- Caston Band participated in both the Indy 500 Festival as well as the Memorial Day Parade in recent weeks. They did an excellent job representing Caston School Corporation.
- Summer School has been going smoothly & we have several students who will be continuing throughout the summer completing on-line courses for both credit recovery and additional courses unavailable at Caston. We are pleased to be able to extend our educational opportunities to Caston students during the summer months.

Public Comment Regarding Advertised Items: None

Project Hearing: Following required proof of publication on June 3, 2016, the Caston School Board held a project hearing to explain plans to do renovations to the Caston Educational Center K-12 Building at a cost in excess of \$1 million to inform the public as to the proposed Project and to allow all interested parties, taxpayers and patrons of Caston School Corporation to voice their opinions as to the Project and ask questions. Detailed minutes of the project hearing are included as an addendum at the end of these minutes. Order of business included the following:

- a. Adoption of Project Resolution
- b. Adoption of resolution approving preliminary plans, form of amendment to lease and authorizing publication of notice of lease hearing
- c. Adoption of resolution determining need for Project
- d. Adoption of resolution reapproving formation of Building Corporation
- e. Adoption of reimbursement resolution

Consent Agenda:

Beth Howard moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

- a. Approve minutes of the May 18, 2016 Public Work Session & Regular Board Meeting of the Caston School Board of Trustees
- b. Approve minutes of the June 1, 2016 Public Work Session
- c. Presentation and review of claims
- d. Recommendation for employment of Mr. Donald Helmick as JH Social Studies Teacher
- e. Recommendation for employment of Mr. Donald Helmick as Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
- f. Recommendation for employment for Ms. Brittany Niedens as Elementary Classroom Teacher
- g. Presentation and review of May, 2016 Treasurer's Report and Revenue Report

Unanimous 5-0

Old Business: *None*

New Business:

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve the collaborative partnership with RTC-TV4 for coverage of school events

Unanimous 5-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Gary Baumgardner to approve to contract with Todal Fence LLC for new perimeter fencing and security gates to be installed summer, 2016

Vote 4-1 with Michaela Slisher voting Nay

Gary Baumgardner moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve overnight Professional Meeting/Visitation Request for Mrs. Melinda Shultz to attend the ACP Speech Certification training at IU Bloomington on Tuesday, July 2 – Friday, July 15, 2016

Unanimous 5-0

Beth Howard moved seconded by Gary Baumgardner to approve the request for a maternity leave for Mrs. Chelsey Correll

Unanimous 5-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Gary Baumgardner to approve the 2016-2017 Textbook Rental Rates

Unanimous 5-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to contract with SpyGlass for independent audit of primary telecommunications service accounts for cost reduction recommendations

Vote 4-0-1 with Gary Baumgardner abstaining

The board gave consensus for First Reading: Caston Elementary Parent/Student Handbook & Caston Elementary Staff & Faculty Handbook

Consensus only – no vote

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve the Declaration of Surplus Items for removal from fixed asset inventory

Unanimous 5-0

Other Business:

Beth Howard moved, seconded by Gary Baumgardner to approve the employment of Shane Clemons for the position of Jr/Sr High English Teacher, effective for the 2016-17 school year and to approve the employment of Mrs. Linda Hoff for Jr/Sr High School Business Teacher, effective for the 2016-2017 school year

Unanimous 5-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Gary Baumgardner to approve the use of facility request for the school cafeteria by the family of Homer Smith – July 16, 2016

Unanimous 5-0

Gary Baumgardner moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve attendance of interested JV/Varsity Girls' Basketball Team for basketball camp at Vincennes University June 23 – 26

Unanimous 5-0

Beth Howard moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to approve the following coaching positions for the 2016-17 School Year: Mark Foreman – Varsity Assistant, Samantha Schanlaub, Volunteer Varsity Assistant, Heidi Rudicel – JV Head Coach/Varsity Assistant

Unanimous 5-0

Gary Baumgardner moved, seconded by Jason Herd to approve mid-year appropriation transfers as needed for 6-month accounting cycle.

Unanimous 5-0

Jason Herd moved, seconded by Michaela Slisher to accept the resignation of Mrs. Jane Gonzalez

Unanimous 5-0

Gary Baumgardner moved, seconded by Beth Howard to approve membership to Cass County Chamber of Commerce

Unanimous 5-0

Reports/Information:

- a. May SA-5 Report
- b. Principal's Reports

Public Comment: *None*

Board Comment: Bruce announced that our next scheduled meeting would be July 20, 2016 at 6:30 PM. Additionally, the board will be having a public work session to discuss 2017 Budget prior to that meeting at 5:30 PM.

Beth Howard and Michaela Slisher were appointed to the Negotiations Committee

Adjournment: Gary Baumgardner moved, seconded by Jason Herd that the regular meeting be adjourned. At 8:01 P.M.

Unanimous 5-0

Executive Session: The Caston Board of School Trustees met immediately following the adjournment of the regular meeting in an executive session under the authority of IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The governing body discussed no subject matter in the executive session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice.

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