

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF
CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Caston Board of School Trustees met Tuesday, January 24, 2012, in the administration building. Present were Board members Dr. James Ayers, Mr. Jason Herd, Mrs. Joyce Zartman, Mr. Bruce Cress, Mr. Russell Phillips, and Superintendent Mr. Dan Foster. Also attending were Mrs. Cindy Douglass-Elementary Principal, Mr. Adam Strasser-Junior/Senior High Principal, Vance Monical, and Gary Baumgardner

6:30 P.M. – Public Work Session: Information regarding regular Board meeting and other items, etc.

The Board had discussion on more marketing issues.

Regular Meeting: Board President Dr. Ayers called the regular meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00 P.M.

Celebrations:

- A. Congratulations to Mr. Byrn and the Comet Band on the outstanding partnership that brought members of the Purdue University Band to sit/play side by side at the basketball games January 13th! What a great experience!
- B. Congratulations to Mr. Byrn and the Comet Band for their presentation at the IMEA Conference in Fort Wayne. They demonstrated the use of video-conferencing in the rehearsal atmosphere with composer Tom Davis!
- C. Caston Athletic Director Debb Stevens has announced that Caston has 3 football players named to the IFCA Academic All State Football team – Kent Burton, Kyle Harvey, and Graham Redweik! Congratulations to these student-athletes for their hard work in the classroom and on the field!
- D. Congratulations to Graham Redweik and Kyle Harvey for winning their weight classes at the MWC tourney recently and Graham for being named MVW!
- E. Thank you Honeywell Center/Ft. Wayne Philharmonic for bringing the Meadowlark String Quartet to Caston Elementary recently!

Consent Agenda: Mr. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Herd to approve consent agenda items as follows:

- A. Approve minutes of the November 15, 2011(amended), December 6, 2011, and January 10, 2012 regular meetings and minutes of the Board of Finance January 10, 2012 meeting.
- B. Claims # 30237 through # 30294 inclusive for payment totaling \$240,882.35
- C. Employment of 2011-2012 extra curricular volunteers as follows: David Musselman as Assistant Softball Coach and Adam Offutt as Junior High Wrestling Coach. Unanimous 5-0

Conference Request: Mrs. Zartman moved, seconded by Mr. Herd to approve attendance of School Board and Superintendent at ISBA/IAPSS Collective Bargaining Seminar, February 17, 2012 at Carmel. Unanimous 5-0

Bylaws/Policies: The Board agrees with the first reading and its revisions to the following Bylaws/Policies/Codes:

Policy 0100 – Definitions (*Revised*)

Bylaw 0144.3 – Membership (*Replacement*)

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Bylaw 0144.4 – Defense and Indemnification of Board Members (*Revised*)

Bylaw 0167.1 – Meetings (*Revised*)

Policy 1411 – Required Reports and Protection of Whistleblowers (*Revised*)

Policy 1613 – Student Supervision and Welfare (*New*)

Policy 1615 – Use of Tobacco by Administrators (*New*)

Policy 2370 – Educational Options (*Revised*)

Policy 2460 – Child Find and Special Education (*Revised*)

Policy 3139 – Staff Discipline (*Revised*)

Policy 3211 – Required Reports and Protection of Whistleblowers (*Revised*)

Policy 3213 – Student Supervision and Welfare (*Revised*)

Policy 3215 – Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff (*Revised*)

Policy 4211 – Required Reports and Protection of Whistleblowers (*Revised*)

Policy 4213 – Student Supervision and Welfare (*Revised*)

Policy 4215 – Use of Tobacco by Support Staff (*Revised*)

Codes 5120 – Assignment Within the Corporation (*Revised*)

Policy 5320 – Immunization (*Revised*)

Policy 5512 – Use of Tobacco (*Revised*)

Policy 6460 – Conflicts of Interest and Vendor Relations (*Revised*)

Policy 7434 – Use of Tobacco on School Premises (*Revised*)

Policy 7540 – Computer Technology and Networks (*Revised*)

Policy 7540.03 – Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety (*Revised*)

Policy 7540.04 – Staff Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety (*Revised*)

Policy 8600 – Transportation (*Revised*)

Policy 9150 – School Visitors (*Revised*)

Policy 9160 – Public Attendance at School Events (*Revised*)

All members concurred

Reports/Information:

A. Superintendent's Report:

- a. Mr. Foster informed the Board that the DLGF decreased our General Fund Budget for 2012 by \$389,894.00.
- b. Mr. Foster also gave the Board updates on the continuing progress of developing the new teacher evaluation tool and the challenges of developing the new compensation formula.
- c. Mr. Foster relayed that there have been changes to Indoor Air Quality laws.

- d. Mr. Foster and his staff are working on the Project Lead the Way and how it would best fit our Corporation.
- e. Mr. Foster also noted that he and other staff members are continuing to collect more information in the One to One Technology.
- B. Mr. Phillips attended a work shop on School Referendums. He shared with the Board some of the highlights of the meeting.
- C. Comet Community Connection

Board Comment: Mr. Russell Phillips wants Mr. Foster to find out what “forward” means on the appropriation report.

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Adjournment: Mr. Cress moved, seconded by Mr. Herd that the regular meeting be adjourned. Unanimous 5-0 Time: 8:34 P.M.

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