



**Centers for Applied Science & Technology
Board of Trustees
Meeting Agenda
Nov. 17, 2021
3:00-5 p.m.
CAST STEM High School
Meeting Minutes**

Board Members Present: Lisa Lewis, Yvette Benavides, Shari Albright

Staff Members Present: Jeanne Russell, Charles Clines, Eddie Rodriguez, Carol Mendenhall and Ericka Olivares

Welcome and Student Voice

The principal of CAST Stem, Ravae Schaffer, welcomed the group and then introduced a group of young women who talked about what they will be doing in the future and how they came to CAST Stem.

“Teachers in my middle school encouraged me to come to CAST.” “My mother signed me up.”

A short scene from Hansel and Gretel followed.

Call to Order: Jeanne Russell, Executive Director

Action items for board

- Sign up to participate in Speak Up! Speak Out!
 - Help us fund Youth Rally and SUSO – Youth Leadership/Voice activities
- Find one place to tell the CAST story - with our support

ITEMS RELATED TO SAISD

- Report from charter renewal meeting shared with board
- Update on teacher shortage pilot with SAISD
- Meeting with new SAISD superintendent

- Updates on focal areas for 2021-2022
 - nXu Purpose Activity
- Approve minutes from August 25, 2021 meeting

ITEMS RELATED TO CAST Network

CAST Teach

- Ericka Olivarez, principal of CAST Teach, gave an update on the progress of CAST Teach. Highlights of the update:
 - Location: Stevens High School
 - Curriculum: in progress
 - Visited other CAST Schools
 - Facilities Update
 - Partnering with UTSA
 - Recruitment efforts

- Charlie Clines presented the changes in the bylaws:
 - 3 to 10 Board Members
 - Stagger time on board: Class I and Class II
 - Formation of Executive Committee to work with Jeanne
 - Motion to accept bylaw changes made by Lisa Lewis, seconded by Shari Albright, unanimous Consent
 - Jeanne Russell, Executive Director of CAST to become board member.
 - Moved: Shari Albright. Seconded: Lisa Lewis. Unanimous consent.
 - Board Resolution for Creation of Classes of Board members
 - Resolved by Lisa Lewis. Seconded by Yvette Benavides. Unanimous Consent
 - Board nominates Carol Mendenhall as secretary
 - Motion by Shari Albright. Seconded by Lisa Lewis. Unanimous Consent
 - Nomination of Lisa Lewis for Board Chair
 - Motion by Shari Albright. Seconded by Yvette Benavides. Unanimous Consent.
 - Approve minutes of last meeting: Motion by Lisa Lewis. Seconded by Shari Albright. Unanimous Consent.

Celebrations

- Launch of CAST Tech Early College Academy with UTSA

Closing Purpose Activity

Meeting adjourned by Jeanne Russell