Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of January 16, 2014
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. **Call To Order** – Cynthia Thomas calls the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session for reasons of potential litigation. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

   - Cynthia Thomas  yea
   - Reuki Schutt    yea
   - John Bonnanzio yea
   - Robert Golledge yea

B. **Open Session** called to order by Cynthia Thomas at 7:20 PM.

   **Present:**
   - Cynthia Thomas
   - Reuki Schutt
   - John Bonnanzio
   - Robert Golledge

   **Also Present:**
   - Jeffrey Granatino, Superintendent of Schools
   - Ken Leon, School Business Administrator
   - Susan McGowan, Recording Secretary
   - Press

Ms. Thomas announces Mr. Emhardt’s resignation from the School Committee effective January 13, 2014.
Ms. Thomas extends thanks to Mr. Emhardt for his contributions to the School Committee during his tenure. Ms. Thomas reviews appointment process effective from time of appointment through the next town election.

C. **Routine Matters**
1. Approve Minutes dated January 4, 2014. It was voted: 3 – 0 - 1.
   - 3 yeas  0 nays  1 abstain

2. Approve Minutes dated January 6, 2014 as amended. It was voted: 4 – 0.
   - 4 yeas  0 nays

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated January 6, 2014. It was voted: 3 – 0 – 1.

   - Cynthia Thomas  yea
   - Reuki Schutt    yea
   - John Bonnanzio yea
   - Robert Golledge abstain

4. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated January 6 for Public Release. It was voted: 3 – 0 1 to hold.

   - Cynthia Thomas  yea
   - Reuki Schutt    yea
   - John Bonnanzio yea
   - Robert Golledge abstain

5. Approve Bill Schedule dated January 23, 2014. It was voted: 4 – 0.
   - 4 yeas  0 nays
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Superintendent’s Report
- Mr. Granatino reports start times meeting were held with staff and parents this week with another staff meeting to take place hopefully next week. Recommendations from the Start Time Committee should be brought to School Committee by the middle of February.
- Two finalists for the JFK Principal position will be made public on Friday, January 17th.
- Edline Training will be held on January 23rd at CHS.
- CPACC meeting on January 29th in the Distance Learning Lab
- Reception for Marilyn Harris to recognize her over 25 years of dedicated service to the Canton Community Problem Solvers

F. Old Business
1. Policy Review – Section J (JIE-JRD) reviewed with additional changes and clarifications. A second read will be presented at the January 30th meeting.
2. School Climate Focus Groups – Dr. Cole is developing a report from their findings

G. New Business
1. FY15 Preliminary Budget – Mr. Granatino presents budget broken out into three sections: A. Contractual Obligations; B. Mandatory Enhancements and C. Needs Based Enhancements. Discussion followed.

Motion to approve Preliminary FY15 Budget amount of $35,332,134. It was voted:
4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

3. PARCC – Assessment – Mr. Granatino discusses pilot PARCC assessments which will take place in the Spring.
4. Request for Out-of-State Travel – Derek Folan, Principal, Canton High School requests permission for the Junior Statesmen of America group to travel to the upcoming Winter Congress in Washington, DC on February 7, 8 and 9. There will be two chaperons accompanying the students on this trip. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

H. Business Manager’s Report – Mr. Leon presents FY2014 Budget Status update as of 12/31/13 noting an increase in heat and electricity costs.

I. Sub-Committee Reports
1. CPC – Robert Golledge reports meeting on 1/20/14. Recommendations to the BOS.

J. Future Business – Next meeting Thursday, January 6, 2014.

K. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 8:28 PM. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays