

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of February 26, 2014
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. Call To Order – Cynthia Thomas calls the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Cynthia Thomas	yea
John Bonnanzio	yea
Robert Golledge	yea
Reuki Schutt	yea (arr. 7:05 PM)

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino, Superintendent of Schools
Ken Leon, School Business Administrator
Susan McGowan, Recording Secretary
Student Member
Staff
Parent
Press

B. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated January 30, 2014. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3	yeas	0	nays
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2. Approve Bill Schedule dated February 20, 2014. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3	yeas	0	nays
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3. Approve Bill Schedule dated March 6, 2014. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3	yeas	0	nays
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C. Student Member Report – Dan Guan gives an exuberant report on activities and events throughout the schools.

D. Superintendent's Report

- Math Team came in first in the Greater Boston League. Competition against much larger schools.
- Donation of \$10,000 from DunkinBrands for the Substance Abuse Coalition
- Early Release on 2/28 to make up for snow day Professional Development day from February 5th.
- Meet with Capital Planning on 2/27 at 7:30 PM at the Armando Center
- Artist in Bloom – Collaboration between schools and the Canton Art Association to exhibit 200 pieces of student's work along with Art Association member's artwork.

E. Old Business

1. Policy Review – Review of Sections with comments and changes. Will be presented for a second read at the March 13, 2014 meeting.

2. Field Naming – Motion to approve naming of the playing field behind the Dean S. Luce Elementary School in honor of longtime Recreation Department employee William "Billy" Cravens per Policy FF. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4	yeas	0	nays
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3. ATM Article Language – Postpone until March 13, 2014
4. FY15 Budget – Met today regarding allocation of newly identified funds that were targeted by Jim Murgia, Director of Finance.

F. New Business

1. Walsh Field Scoreboard – Mike Loughran representing Canton Little League Girls' Fast Pitch Softball, requests permission to put a scoreboard at Walsh Field to be used for Canton Little League as well as the CHS teams. The Bank of Canton is sponsoring this scoreboard. Mr. Loughran informed the committee he would be submitting a zoning board application on February 27, 2014. Motion to approve request pending ZBA approval. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

2. Health/Wellness – Janet Donnelly, District Nurse Leader, gives an update on health and wellness throughout the district as well an update on the work of the Health Advisory Committee.

3. Capital Reserve Fund at TEC – To approve the creation of TEC's Capital Reserve with a balance limit of \$150,000 for the purpose of accumulating funds for the acquisition, maintenance and improvement of capital items. Motion to approve request as presented: It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

4. American Legion Flagpole – The American Legion requests permission to install a second flagpole adjacent to the American Legion Hall which would be on school property. Motion to approve request pending ZBA approval. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

5. Statement of Interest – Discussion regarding MSBA Statement of Interest for the proposed Hansen addition/renovation. Motion to:

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 26, 2013 prior to the closing date, the School Committee of the Town of Canton, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form that will be submitted to the MSBA by no later than April 11, 2014 for the Lt. Peter Hansen School located at 25 Pecunit St, Canton, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for the replacement and addition to the building in order to provide for a full range of programs; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the Town to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

- G. Business Manager's Report – Mr. Leon reports budget status pretty much the same as last month.

H. Sub-Committee Reports

1. TEC – Has been approved for community online school. TEC will present to the school committee in the spring. TEC possibly moving to Walpole.
2. CPC – No update.
3. BRC – No report.
4. SBSC – Toured GMS Monday night. Made a number of observations. Identified additional classroom space.

I. Future Business – Next meeting Thursday March 13, 2014.

J. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9 PM. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays