

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of February 26, 2015
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – Cynthia Thomas calls meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters it was voted by roll call: 4 – 0

Cynthia Thomas	yea
Reuki Schutt	(arr. 6:25 PM)
John Bonnanzio	yea
Robert Golledge	yea
Michael Loughran	yea

- B. Open Session convened at 7:15 PM

Present: Cynthia Thomas
Reuki Schutt
John Bonnanzio
Robert Golledge

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino Superintendent of Schools
Barry Nectow, School Business Administrator
Parents
Staff
Press

- C. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated February 5, 2015. It was voted to: 4 – 0 - 1.

4	yeas	0	nays	1	abstain (ML)
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2. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated February 5, 2015 as amended to reflect 7:14 PM adjournment. It was voted: 4 – 0 - 1.

Cynthia Thomas	yea	Robert Golledge	yea
Reuki Schutt	yea	Michael Loughran	abstain
John Bonnanzio	yea		

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated February 5, 2015 for Public Release. It was voted: 5 - 0.

Cynthia Thomas	yea	Robert Golledge	yea
Reuki Schutt	yea	Michael Loughran	yea
John Bonnanzio	yea		

3. Approve Bill Schedule dated March 5, 2015. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5	yeas	0	nays
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- D. Public Comments – None

- E. Student Member – No Report.

F. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Granatino begins his report by welcoming presenters for Plymouth Rubber Development.

- Visiting schools to apprise parents of the important town and school related matters for the election and town meeting.
- School are meeting with FinCom on March 19th in the Salah Meeting Room
- Governor's budget is still in flux.
- Hot lunch to DPW and all our custodial and maintenance staff hosted in CHS cafeteria to thank all these people for their tremendous work during this difficult winter season.
- Mr. Granatino announces he is a finalist for a Superintendent's position in the town of Marshfield., He has mixed emotions about this opportunity, but it has some geographic advantages and it has challenges and opportunities that are exciting. Finalist will be selected on or about March 10th. Mrs. Thomas discussed that we must start a search in a timely fashion, Mr. Nectow will draft the RFP to engage a search firm to assist us.
- Current last day of school is Thursday, June 25th. If we need more time, consider Good Friday as a half day. Currently we still have June 26th to work with. After April 1st we do not have to make up the snow days.

G. Old Business

1. 2015-2016 School Year Calendar – Motion to approved 2015-2016 School Year Calendar as presented with a September 1st start date for teachers and September 3rd for student. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

2. School Building Study Committee – Postponed.

H. New Business

1. Plymouth Rubber Development – Welcome Mr. Bernie Plante, Selectman Sal Salvatori, Chairman of the Board of Selectman Victor Delvecchio and Paul Schneiders, Esq. Reduced townhouse style units from 49 to 23 has resulted in a reduction of anticipated school age children in the development. \$2m to the schools paid over a two year period. Schools can start to draw from the account 90 days prior to the anticipated issuance of certificate of occupancy for the rolling mill. Selectman and Planning Boards have voted unanimously in favor of this project. Historical integrity of the property has been respected.
2. Rescheduled Early Release – Postponed.
3. Substitute Pay Increase – Superintendent Granatino requests permission to increase the daily substitute teacher rates from \$77 to \$81 per day for a certified teacher and from \$72 to \$75 for a non-certified substitute. Rate increase is in our 2015-2016 budget. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

4. Full Day Kindergarten Proposal – Discuss citizen’s warrant article for ATM submitted by Anthony Braconi to provide FDK for all kindergarten students. Entire free program would cost \$95K. Philosophically the School Committee would like this to happen but we already have a shortfall of \$1m in our operating budget for 2015-2016 Mr. Braconi wants to see the financial bill for FDK to be addressed through an operating override.

I. Business Manager’s Report –

1. Mr. Nectow reports \$16,947.06 total donations for the month of January 2015.
2. Mr. Nectow discusses a debt exclusion override for the Hansen addition. Should we have a ballot questions in April or in June? Motion to go to town meeting and then the ballot question. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

J. Sub-Committee Reports

TEC – No Report

CPC – No Report

Wellness – No Report

SBSC – Full report at March 12th meeting.

Start Time – Agenda item for next meeting. Presentations being made at all school CAPTS.

- K. Future – School Building SubCommittee to report on 3/12. Start time tiers, shifting among the elementary schools and rotation. Next meeting 3/12/15 at 6:30 PM,

- L. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:23 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays