

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of March 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: 5 – 0

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

- B. Open Session convened at 7:15 PM

Present: Cynthia Thomas
Reuki Schutt
John Bonnanzio
Robert Golledge
Michael Loughran

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

- C. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated March 12, 2015. Postponed
2. Approve Bill Schedule dated April 2, 2015. It was voted: 5 – 0.
5 yeas 0 nays

- D. Public Comments –

1. Susan McGowan wished Cindy Thomas, John Bonnanzio and Brett McCloud well.
2. Mr. Donovan expressed his wishes to see a future School Committee Meeting agenda include parental concerns for the Common Core.

- E. Student Member – No Report

- F. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Granatino reports –

- Successful Math Night at the Hansen
- The Field House will be temporarily shut down for repair. There has been beam deflection from snow on the roof.
- BOS candidate forum discussed rink, housing and traffic in Canton
- Board of Selectman's Candidate Forum held at CHS. Students were able to ask the candidates questions related to some of the current topics impacting Canton voters. Examples of topics discussed: traffic around town, the hockey rink, housing complex.

G. Old Business

1. Start Time – Discussion continued regarding the rotations of elementary tiers. The vote to begin rotations was voted in 2016-17. Feedback offered from those in attendance. Committee discussed the topic thoroughly. Motion to rotate on a two-year basis, based on all four tiers being in place. In this model St. John would remain the fourth tier. If the district moved to three tiers, the Committee would revisit the rotation formula. The current formula is reflected below. It was voted: 5 – 0.

	2016-2018	2018-2020
Early Start	Luce	St. John
	JFK	Luce
Later Start	Hansen	JFK
	St. John	Hansen

5 yeas 0 nays

2. Plymouth Rubber Project – Selectman DelVecchio presented an overview of the latest updates to the Plymouth Rubber Project. Focus was on the impact the project would have on schools. The Committee expressed support of project related to the schools. Discussion of \$2 million to go toward district capital projects as part of the proposal. Motion to support the project in relation to the schools. It was voted: 5-0

5 yeas 0 nays

H. New Business

1. FY16 Operating Budget - Mr. Granatino and Mr. Nectow outline the FY16 Operating Budget and presented ways in which the Committee could reduce the budget to better meet the target budget brought forth by town's Finance Director. Lengthy discussion among the Committee members followed. Motion to present to the Finance Committee a budget that remained at the preliminary amount of \$37,000,000, voted on in January. It was voted 1 – 4.

1 yeas 4 nays

Subsequently, a motion to reduce the budget to \$36,719,000 was brought forward. The vote represented eliminating funds for an earlier start time at the high school and a level funding of all supply line items. It was voted 3 – 2.

3 yeas 2 nays

2. Cabot Fund – Brief discussion on the superintendent's recommendations for grants available through the Cabot fund. Motion to approve Cabot Fund requests as presented. It was voted 4 – 0 - 1.

4 yeas 0 nays 1 abstain

3. Superintendent Search – Discussions deferred until April 9, 2015 SC Meeting

4. Out of State Travel – Request brought forth to allow for out-of-state travel for the JSA to attend an annual conference in Stamford, CT. The students will depart on Saturday, April 15, 2015 and return on Sunday, April 26, 2015. It was voted 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

I. Business Manager's Report

1. Mr. Nectow reported on donations received during the month of February. The donations are as follows:

Date	Organization	Amount	Purpose of Donation
2/2/2015	CAPE Inc	\$ 2,707.96	CAPE award books and cart
2/12/2015	JFK Capt	\$ 6,000.00	Interactive Project

2. Mr. Nectow updated the Committee on the number of Kindergarten registrations of 2015-16 year and presented a budget for the program that would allow for two additional full-day kindergarten classes.

J. Sub-Committee Reports

TEC –

CPC – Met March 24, 2015 and again on March 30, 2015

BRC – No report

Wellness – No Report

SBSC – No report

Start Time – Presented during meeting.

K. Future – Next meeting April 9, 2015

L. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:45 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays