

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of September 19, 2011
Superintendent's Office

A. Call To Order – John Bonnanzio calls meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Present: John Bonnanzio
Cindy Thomas
Elisabeth Salisbury
Reuki Schutt (left for ZBA @ 6:45 PM, returned from ZBA @ 7:35 PM)
Jill Stevens

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino, Superintendent of Schools
Ken Leon, School Business Administrator (left for ZBA @ 6:45 PM, returned from ZBA @ 7:35 PM)
Susan McGowan, Recording Secretary

1. Roof Project – MSBA's ruling is to not fund the High School roof project because we are short \$93,844 in the current the ATM project authorization. MSBA needs to have a funding authorization of at least \$387,844 for the high school roof project. As per the recommendation presented by Town Counsel Paul Derensis, the School Committee votes to request an emergency transfer from the Finance Committee reserve fund to increase the authorized funding of the high school roof project by \$93,844 with the full guarantee that the monies would be replenished by the School Committee before 6/30/12 by seeking at the 2012 Annual Town Meeting a transfer authorization from left over monies in the Rodman roof project.

It was voted: 4 – 0

5 yeas 0 nays

- B. Vote to go into Executive Session at 6:25 PM for reasons of litigation and potential contract negotiation. It was voted by roll call: 5 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Jill Stevens	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea	Reuki Schutt	yea
Elisabeth Salisbury	yea		

Reconvene Open Session at 7:25 PM.

C. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated August 25, 2011 minutes as amended. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

2. Approve Minutes dated September 8, 2011. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated August 25, 2011. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Elisabeth Salisbury	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea	Jill Stevens	yea

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4. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated August 25, 2011 for Public Release holding items 1 and 2. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Elisabeth Salsibury	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea	Jill Stevens	yea

5. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated September 8, 2011. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Elisabeth Salsibury	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea	Jill Stevens	yea

6. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated September 8, 2011 for Public Release holding item 2. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Elisabeth Salsibury	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea	Jill Stevens	yea

- D. Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Granatino introduces Edouard El Massih (Eddie) as student representative to the school committee for the 2011-2012 school year.

Superintendent Granatino reports on Fire Safety Education at the third grade level, an endeavor spearheaded by Ben Berkowitz, a grade 8 student at GMS to supply pencils to the children of Afghanistan and CPS administrators attending a 4 day cultural proficiency workshop workshop hosted by Sharon Public Schools and Teachers 21. The Paul Mathews Foundation event will be held on Friday, September 23 at Pequitside.

- E. Student Member Report – Eddie reports frustration with the schedule at CHS. There does not seem to be enough time to get from class to class, lunch lines are very long, some classes have an unusual high number of students and Eddie was not able to drop down a level in a particular class and had to drop the class. Mrs. Thomas would like Eddie to wait another month and see if time between classes gets better.

- F. Unfinished Business

1. Class Size – Continued discussion regarding class sizes in primary classes and electives. Mr. Granatino will discuss with Dr. Dias and Mr. Rubin and report back to the committee.

- G. New Business

1. Food Service Presentation – Martha Lawless, Food Service Director discussed a planned breakfast program in the schools, an update on Free & Reduced lunch applications and healthy choices being offered in our schools.
2. School Nursing Presentation – Janet Donnelly, District Nurse Leader, gave a powerpoint overview detailing the role of the ever changing role of the modern day school nurse.
3. Special Education Programs – Debra Bromfield, Director of Student Services presents an overview of program changes put in place throughout the district.

4. School Start Times – Discussion regarding the value of high school students starting school later in the AM. Mr. Bonnanzio would like the Superintendent to arrange for a study committee to review this concept.

- H. Business Manager's Report – Mr. Leon reports transportation issue for the past four week. Detours within the town have had an impact on bus routes. Payroll busy working on the 2nd payroll of the school year.

- I. Sub-Committee Reports
 1. TEC – No Report.
 2. BRC – Mrs. Schutt reports the sprinkler system at JFK is complete and the addition at JFK is enclosed.
 3. Negotiations – Mr. Bonnanzio reports a productive negotiation session with the CTA took place last week. Additional information will be forthcoming.
 4. Youth Commission – Dr. Salisbury reports a meeting is scheduled for next week.
 5. Extra-Curricula Activities – Mrs. Thomas reports this group met last Tuesday and discussed guiding objectives, what do colleges look for, what are surrounding communities offering and how many are being supported outside the budget.

- J. Future Business – Next meeting is October 6, 2011. Mrs. Stevens will not be at this meeting.
- K. Public Comments – None.
- L. Other Business – None.
- M. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:50 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

CANTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF CANTON
CANTON, MASSACHUSETTS

September 19, 2011

Executive Session

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Mrs. Cindy Thomas
Dr. Elisabeth Salisbury
Mrs. Reuki Schutt
Mrs. Jill Stevens

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino
Ken Leon
Susan McGowan

Committee reviews proposed Canton Teachers' Association Memorandum of Agreement for the 2011-2012 school year.

Mr. Bonnanzio suggests placing all employee contracts on the school website.

Motion to adjourn at 7:12 PM. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio	yea	Jill Stevens	yea
Cindy Thomas	yea		
Elisabeth Salisbury	yea		