

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of November 14, 2013
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – Cynthia Thomas calls meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session for reasons of litigation and collective bargaining. It was voted by roll call: 3 – 0.

Cynthia Thomas	yea
John Bonnanzio	yea
David Emhardt	yea

- B. Open Session called to order by Cynthia Thomas at 7:11PM.

Present: Cynthia Thomas
John Bonnanzio
David Emhardt

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

- C. Routine Matters

1. Motion to approve Bill Schedule dated November 14,, 2013. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3	yeas	0	nays
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- D. Student Member Report – No Report.

- E. Superintendent's Report

- Congratulations to the Volleyball team for advancing to sectional finals.
- Attended a very worthwhile conference "Building Bridges" a diversity training at Regis.
- JFK Principal search will get underway next week. A committee will be developed.
- Ken Leon, School Business Administrator will be retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Thomas praises Mr. Leon for his contributions to the CPSs. A school committee member will chair this search.
- Substance Abuse Coalition led by Chiefs Berkowitz and Doody will conduct an event for parents focusing on awareness and prevention at the high school library on 11/20 at 7 PM
- The Superintendent is now on Twitter (@CantonSuper)

- F. Old Business

1. MCAS Review – Jen Henderson, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, presents an in depth data analysis of high needs, subgroups and all students across the district. Ms. Henderson discusses strategies to support high needs students.

- G. New Business

1. Dan Erickson, Athletic Director presents a comprehensive coach's manual. This manual will be especially helpful transitioning new coaching staff. Committee thanks Mr. Erickson for all the work to develop this manual.

2. ELL Update – Debra Bromfield, Director of Student Services, gives an update on steps taken to address ELL recommendations in the recently completed Coordinated Program Review.

3. Building Rental Request – The Chai Center of Canton is seeking a waiver of rental fees associated with the CHS Cafeteria on December 1, 2013 from 12:30 to 2:30 to hold their annual Chanukah celebration. Motion to approve rental fees with custodial fee being the responsibility of The Chai Center. It was voted: 3 – 0,

3 yeas 0 nays

4. School Building Study Committee – Defer to December.

5. CHS Junior Statesmen of America – Seek approval for an overnight trip to JSA Fall State being held in Boston on 12/7/13 – 12/8/13. Two chaperones will be required if more than 19 students. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

H. Business Manager's Report – Mr. Leon reviews FY14 Budget Status as of 9/30/13. Discuss increase in 2013-2014 out of district tuitions, budget impact and program cost increase.

Motion Superintendent Granatino to formulate a letter in support of Bill#96. An Act relative to special education funding. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

I. Sub-Committee Reports

1. TEC – Ms. Thomas reports a meeting will take place next week.

J. Future – Next meeting November 21, 2013

K. Other – Mr. Emhardt congratulates Canton's finance leadership for the town's Triple A bond rating. Canton is one of 20 towns in the state with this rating.

- Meet with CHS Student Council on 11/19 for a breakfast meeting and tour of our schools
- Ms. Thomas will schedule a budget workshop the beginning of December.

L. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:55 PM. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays