

Town of Canton  
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of November 15, 2012  
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – John Bonnanzio calls meeting to order at 6:45 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session for reasons of contract discussion. Vote by roll call: 3 – 0.

Present: John Bonnanzio  
Cindy Thomas  
David Emhardt

- B. Open Session called to order by John Bonnanzio @ 7:20 PM

Present: John Bonnanzio  
Cynthia Thomas (left at 9 PM)  
David Emhardt  
Robert Gottledge

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino, Superintendent of Schools  
Ken Leon, School Business Administrator  
Staff  
Students  
Press

- C. Routine Matters

1. Motion to approve Minutes dated November 1, 2012. It was voted: 3 – 0 - 1.  
3 yeas 0 nays 1 abstain
2. Defer Executive Session Minutes dated November 1, 2012 to December 6, 2012.
3. Motion to approve Bill Schedule dated November 22, 2012. It was voted: 4 - 0.  
4 yeas 0 nays

Recognized Jill Stevens for her contributions as a member of the school committee.

- D. Student Member – Ben Wiseman reports -

- Production of Grease was a great success
- Volleyball won Division 2 sectional championship & Pat Cawley achieved her 100<sup>th</sup> win
- Field Hockey, boys and girls soccer all made it to south sectional finals
- Football won in OT against Oliver Ames
- Powder Puff game on Wednesday
- parent conferences are currently being scheduled at CHS
- TV Production group will be doing eye openers with Channel 5
- Winter sports begin the Monday after Thanksgiving
- Southeast district music auditions are this Saturday
- Cheerleaders are in championship competition this weekend

- E. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Granatino thanks students who raise funds for victims of Hurricane Sandy

Recognized Mr. Manning for donating an American Flag to the Hansen School to replace their flag that was damaged during Hurricane Sandy.

Superintendent attended ceremony commemorating Shawn Oulette

F Old Business

1. MCAS Overview – Jen Henderson, Director of Curriculum & Instruction continues her MCAS overview report.
  - Noted that each school will have its own goal
  - Looking at math for common core
  - Looking at inclusion programs across the elementary school
  - Middle school is doing PD in Keys to Literacy
  - Looking to bring kids on IEP's into regular ed math classes e/ support
  - At CHS eliminated CP2@ 9<sup>th</sup> grade level
2. Policy Review – Section G general discussion
3. Update/Overview on ALICE Protocol – Postpone until 12/6/12.

G New Business

1. Math Department Update – Dr. Michael Curry, CHS Math Department Coordinator gives an overview of this department.
  - Core curriculum is creating a significant shift in timing & approach to curriculum
  - 3 CHS teachers worked this summer on plan to move forward with a new curriculum for this year
  - Pushing for common assessments for Algebra 1, II & Geometry
  - Elimination of CP2 in Gr. 9 created additional challenge. Created a support class to supplement CP1 curriculum
  - Importance of access for students to a rigorous curriculum
  - Opened AP calculus to more students
2. Luce Report – Robie Peter, Luce School Principal gives an overview of the Luce School:
  - Following the school mate “We are Shining”
  - 100 students in before school music
  - 40 before school exercise program supported by Reebok & parent volunteers
  - 50 students enrolled before/after Champions program
  - Footloose Fridays
  - Spirit days & Shine assembly
  - Family picnic & family movie night
  - Analyzing MCAS data to identify opportunities for improvement
  - K & Pre-school working together on common core
  - Literacy specialists now have dedicated classroom
  - Electronic report cards to be issued next week
  - 3 new teachers this year
3. Waiver Request – Karen Lempert, co-chair of Winter Fling requests a waiver of all school building fees for the JFK's Annual Winter Fling fundraiser on Saturday, February 9, 2013 from 11 Am to 4 PM. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

Business Manger's Report – Ken Leon discussed FY2014 Capital Budget and memo including schedule.

- H. Sub-Committee Reports - No reports.

- I. Other - Chairman Bonnanzio distributed a report by Geoffrey Bonnanzio on early school start times.
- J. Future Business – Next meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2012.
- K. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:23 PM. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays