

veterans. The staff wore jeans for a small donation to Jeans for Troops. Olympic Medalist, Ali Reisman visited the Galvin Middle School to discuss eating disorders and body image. The GMS also is finishing up auditions for the play "The Little Mermaid". CHS drama presented *Marvin's Room*. It was a great success and members of the senior center and Assisted Living were able to attend for free at the Saturday matinee. Canton High School is also geared up for a great Thanksgiving Day week with a pep rally and Thanksgiving Day football game.

F. Superintendent's Report: Ms. Henderson provided and update on the following:

1. We finally have the PARCC versus MCAS decision. On Tuesday, the Board of Education announced their decision based on Commissioner's Recommendations
2. The Board's decision was the following:
 - Over the next two years, the DESE will be developing an MCAS 2.0 specific to our Massachusetts State Standards incorporating the Common Core. It will be a Massachusetts test.
 - This new test will be first administered in 2017 and will be a computer administration and very similar to the rigor and higher level problem solving seen on the PARCC.
 - Those districts who took PARCC last year will take PARCC this year (2016) and will be held harmless if their scores decrease.
 - Those districts who took MCAS last year (which is our district) have the option to take MCAS this year (with a few PARCC like higher level processing questions included) or they can take PARCC and they also will be held harmless if their scores decrease if they take PARCC. They will not be held harmless if they take MCAS.
 - All districts will take the new MCAS 2.0 in the year 2017 and all districts will be held harmless in 2017 if their scores decrease.
3. The Snow Emergency guidelines outlining "Delay or No School" due to snow will be sent home on Friday via Connect Ed and then posted on our website. These protocols outline the times for delayed start or early dismissal and also list TV channels that will post School Closings. Hopefully, we will not have to use ANY of these this year!
4. Due to the very early arrivals of several busses at each of the schools, the concerns of the administrators as well as many parents, we have adjusted the morning pick up times of several of our bus routes. This announcement along with the new pick up times was sent home to all households today, and will be repeated two more times by each principal and will be posted on the website. These are morning adjustments only. No afternoon bus times have been changed.
5. Eleven Canton High School students attended the Diversity Conference at Wheelock College with faculty member Kate Kelley. Derek Folan, Bill Conard and I met with these students yesterday as they brought back recommendations from this conference that they begin work with middle school and high school students as well as faculty members at all our schools on diversity awareness. As you know increasing our diversity awareness is a district goal this year so we

welcome these students bringing forward programming for our students and faculty.

6. Girls Volleyball headed to Section Finals. We did not win in the finals but they were so exciting to watch!
7. Other last minute updates that were not mentioned in the previously posted Superintendent Report: :
 - o Our Quiz Bowl Team competed at the Super Sunday WGBH Quiz Bowl Competition. Results are coming out on Monday. Team members were announced in the last Superintendent update.
 - o Fifty one students went to the Junior Statesmen of America Fall Congress held in Boston this past weekend.
 - o On Tuesday evening, November 17th, we inducted 77 new members into the National Honor Society.

G. Old Business: None

H. New Business

1. Request for Approval of Earthwatch Institute Scientific Study Trip to Mankwe Wildlife Reserve in South Africa. Rebecca Stang, CHS Science teacher presented a proposal to take students on a scientific study trip to South Africa in February 2017. Details of the trip were reviewed. They will be studying actual data collect by the students who will be traveling as volunteers. The committee voiced their concerns with traveling such a great distance and the number of chaperones that are scheduled to attend. Vote postponed until further discussion. A vote will be taken on December 3rd with Rebecca and Mr. Folan bringing forth information regarding a chaperone.
2. Community Update re: Opioid Issue in Canton: Chief Ken Berkowitz was not able to attend the meeting. This agenda item will be rescheduled for a later date. Chief Berkowitz will provide an update regarding the continuing issues with drugs within the community, the impact on our community and programming and action plans addressing the issues.
3. Capital Budget Discussion: The Capital Budget was discussed in greater detail. The following includes the discussion and explanations of the budget items:
 1. Heidi Olsen explained a need for new American Sign Language programs and software. Ms. Olsen reported a greater than expected enrollment and interest in the program. Taking goals into consideration text books, while important, will not help the students learn to their greatest ability and the preference is the software package which allows students to view themselves signing.
 2. Barry Nectow explained the need for Fencing at the JFK, Energy management systems at CHS and HVAC improvements. Mr. Nectow also explained the need for new hardwood floors at each school which will be implemented on a rotating schedule.

GMS Football - to GMS Football Athletic Revolving Account \$00.00

This motion was seconded by Michael Loughran. It was voted 4-0.
4 yeas 0 nays

Reuki Schutt motioned to consolidate the following Galvin Middle School Activity Accounts into the GMS Principal's Student Activity Account and close all accounts:

Basketball	\$500.37
Dodge ball/Dance	\$2,191.78
Cookie Fundraiser	\$402.00

The motion was seconded by Michael Loughran. It was voted 4-0.
4 yeas 0 nays

Reuki Schutt motioned to approve all Galvin Middle School Student Activity Accounts for FY16:

- Interest Earned
- GMS Yearbook
- GMS Book Fair
- GMS Principal's Student Account
- Field Trips
- Montreal Field Trip
- GMS Student Council/Leadership

The motion was seconded by Michael Loughran. It was voted 4-0.
4 yeas 0 nays

Reuki Schutt motioned to fund deficit accounts from Inactive or Dormant Galvin Middle School Student Activity Accounts. These three deficit accounts are:

GMS Football	\$1,401.00
GMS Book Fair	\$15.25
GMS Field Trips	\$802.00

The motion was seconded by Kristin Mirliani. It was voted 4-0.
4 yeas 0 nays

- I. Business Manager's Report: Mr. Nectow reported on the status of Hansen School construction and provided a final update on the tennis courts project. The environmental controls have been placed at the Hansen and they should be breaking ground within the next week. The tennis courts are done and they are finishing up on a few minor details on the exterior. Mr. Nectow also reported that the operating budget schedule will need to be adjusted back to the prior schedule. The administrators need more time to submit. The full budget binder will be on the first meeting after holidays. Mr. Nectow also reported on the superintendent search committee focus groups and projected dates. Emails went out and times were posted in the paper for the upcoming meetings open to the public (by reservation) and for staff.
- J. Sub-Committee Reports
 1. TEC- Robert Golledge
 2. CPC – Mike Loughran - The committee has been in contact. They are waiting for next meeting
 3. BRC- John Bonnanzio - Covered in the Business Managers Report

4. Wellness- Kristin Mirliani – nothing to report.
 5. Finance – Reuki Schutt - Discussed in the budget agenda item.
 6. Building Use – Bob Gollodge reported for John Bonnanzio - There are ongoing discussions of the use of the Rolling Mill and spaces at the Paul Revere site. No decisions have been made. Discussions about a standalone building are being looked at for the Rodman Administration as well.
 7. Policy – Kristin Mirliani - met with Debra Bromfield to working on residency policy. The subcommittee is looking at the Narcan Administration Policy as well as the Residency Policy as priorities.
 8. Superintendent Search – Focus groups (previously noted in the minutes)
 9. Town Administrator Search Committee –Michael Loughran - Four candidates were submitted and the results should be coming out soon. This search committee can be removed.
- K. Future Business –
1. Rebecca Stand trip - revisit
 2. Long Term Debt
 3. Full Day Kindergarten
 4. Next Meeting Thursday, December 3, 2015
- L. Other Business
- M. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Reuki Schutt. Seconded by Kristen Mirliani. It was voted 4-0. Meeting adjourned 9:10.