Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of April 9, 2015
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. Call to Order - Jeff Granatino calls meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

B. Reorganization - Mr. Granatino immediately opened the floor for recommendations for School Committee Chair.

1. Robert Golledge is nominated by Reuki Schutt. Motion to appoint Robert Golledge as new School Committee Chair. It was voted 5-0.

   5 yeas  0 nay

2. Reuki Schutt is nominated by John Bonnanzio and Mike Loughran for the position of Vice Chair. Motion to appoint Reuki Schutt to Vise Chair. It was voted 5-0.

   5 yeas  0 nay

3. Mike Loughran is nominated for the position of Secretary. Motion to appoint Mike Loughtan to Secretary. It was voted 5-0.

   5 yeas  0 nay

C. Executive Session – Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters it was voted by roll call: 5 – 0

D. Routine Matters:

   1. Approve Minutes dated February 5, 2015 as amended. Withdrew

   2. Approve Minutes dated March 12, 2015. It was voted 4 – 0 – 1

       4 yeas  0 nay  1 abstain

   3. Approve Minutes dated March 26, 2015. It was voted 4 – 0 – 1.

       4 yeas  0 nay  1 abstain

   4. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 26, 2015. It was voted 4 – 0 – 1.

       4 yeas  0 nay  1 abstain

   5. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 26, 2015 for public release. It was voted 5 – 0.
6. Approve Bill Schedule dated April 16, 2015. It was voted 4 – 0 – 1.

4 yeas 0 nay 1 abstain

E. Public Comments – No public comments

F. Student Member - Asia Smith gives an excellent report regarding all school buildings, including the Be Excited About Reading Program (BEAR), MCAS, the Math Team Championship and CHS hosting of the Hockamock Senate.

G. Superintendent Report – Mr. Granatino reported on Kindergarten registration. All who requested full day kindergarten were able to be placed in full day kindergarten. The Luce school still has two half day kindergarten classrooms. In addition, the Art program will have a display at Pequitside Farm on Saturday April 10th from 10-3. He also mentioned the Student Services Mid-Cycle review was passed with flying colors. There will also be a generous donation of interactive projectors from Boston Mutual.

H. Old Business

1. FY 16 Operational Budget – Public Hearing – Mr. Granatino and Mr. Nectow lead discussion on proposed FY 16 Budget. Health and Safety were a few of the topics spoken about during the discussion for the proposed budget for later start time for the High School. The budget would also help the district begin to reduce class sizes where needed. In addition a lengthy discussion was held on the Town of Canton’s cash reserve. Motion to propose a budget of $36,466,744 (This is a decrease of $252,256 from the March 26th proposal of $36,719,000). It was voted 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nay

2. Superintendent Search – After discussion, The School Committee has decided to conduct a full search for Superintendent in the Fall. John Bonnanzio will be heading up the search. In the meantime, there will be a placement of an interim Superintendent. Motion to conduct the Superintendent search in the fall and appoint an interim Superintendent starting July 1st. It was voted 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nay

I. New Business

1. School Choice Vote – Mr. Granitino explained that each year the School Committee must vote to NOT have school choice due to lack of space and the adverse impact that choice would have on class sizes. Without a formal vote, the DESE will consider Canton to be a School Choice community. Motion to not have school choice. It was voted 5 -0.

5 yeas 0 nay
2. **Luce School Fun Run** - Sarah Pirrera, Luce Fun Run Committee Chair, requests permission to hold the 14th Annual Dean S. Luce 5K and Fun Run on Sunday, May 17th from approximately 10 AM to 1 PM. All necessary paperwork for use of the school grounds, lobby, cafeteria and restrooms as well as hiring of a custodian have been submitted. Motion to grant permission for the Luce School Fun Run. It was voted 5-0.

5 yeas 0 nay

J. **Business Managers Report** – Mr. Nectow reported on registrations for the buses. Registration will be held from April 29 – May 30. A letter will be distributed with the registration forms with an explanation of the bus charges. There will also be an announcement in the newspaper and on the Library Sign Board.

K. **Sub-Committee Reports** –

L. **Future Business** – Next meeting April 30, 2015.

1. Sub-Committee Reorganization
2. Superintendents Search

M. **Other Business** – No other business at this time

N. **Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM. It was voted 5 – 0

5 yeas 0 nay