

Town of Canton  
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of January 5, 2012  
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – John Bonnanzio calls meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Vote to go into Executive Session for reasons of contract negotiation. Vote by roll call: 3 – 0.

Present: John Bonnanzio yea  
Reuki Schutt yea  
Elisabeth Salisbury yea  
Cynthia Thomas (arr. 6:40 PM)

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

Present: John Bonnanzio  
Cynthia Thomas  
Elisabeth Salisbury  
Reuki Schutt  
Jill Stevens (arr. 7:45 PM)

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

- C. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated December 15, 2011. It was voted: 4 – 0 .

4 yeas 0 nays

2. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated December 15, 2011. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated December 15, 2011 for Public release holding #'s 1 & 3. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

4. Approve Bill Schedule dated December 22, 2011. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

- D. Student Member Report – Eddie El Massih reports winter sports getting underway.

Many students have already heard early action from colleges.

Students involved with Cradles to Crayons, The Canton Food Pantry and Christmas in the City.

At GMS “Rules” by Cynthia Ward is the book for “Reading Rave” an independent reading program.

Big Brother/Big Sister program at the Hansen with high school students helping students after school.

Shayna Forte will be sharing Student Member duties with Eddie for the remainder of the school year.

- E. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Granatino reports a \$50 donation from Leuders Environmental, a \$3,000 scholarship donation from the Elizabeth & Frank Simoni Foundation and a \$15,000 donation from Meditech to go towards the advancement of technology and technology instruction.

Katey Swanson and Peter Boucher have arranged for Dr. Englander from the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center at Bridgewater State University to make a presentation regarding bullying and cyberbullying on February 1<sup>st</sup> from 12:30 to 2 PM at the CHS auditorium.

The Luce CAPT will host a Fun Raiser for Education on February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the K of C on Pleasant Street.

Chip Yeaton, CPS SRO along with Angela Nervi, health teacher will be working with teachers at the middle school on providing Internet Safety Education.

Jody Middleton, HRA for the town and school department will have office hours at the Rodman on Tuesday and Thursday from 12 to 4 PM.

As a result of the recent masonry wall collapse at a south shore school Ed Walsh and Brian Lynch will tour our buildings as a precautionary measure.

F. Unfinished Business

1. School Committee Policy Review – Motion to accept Section A of the Canton Public Schools' Policy Manual as presented. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

G. New Business

1. Reading & Math Specialists' Report – Elementary reading and math specialist report on implementation of the Journeys and Everyday Math curriculum. Review of coaching in reading and math, their review of data and how data drives instruction and the math and reading specialists as resource specialists for the classroom teachers.

2. St. Gerard's kids Camp – Michael Mahan, Director Youth Ministry, requests permission to utilize Galvin Middle School property for St. Gerard's Annual Kid's Camp during the week of July 9, 2012 through July 13, 2012. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

3. Request for Out-of-State Travel – Reuki Schutt and Jermy Comeau request permission to travel to Washington, DC, from Friday, February 2, 2012 through Sunday, February 5, 2011 for the annual Junior Statesmen Winter Congress. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

4. Request for Disposal of Surplus School Equipment/Books – Robie Peter, Principal, Luce Elementary School requests permission to dispose of a broken/non-working poster maker. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

5. MSBA Language Approval

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on January 5, 2012, the School Committee of Canton, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated January 9, 2012 for the **Hansen Elementary School** located at 25 Pecunit Street which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category (s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for a repair project to replace the windows to increase energy conservation and maintain the building envelope consistent with state and approved local requirements; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Motion to approve Statement of Interest (SOI) for the MSBA repair project for window replacement at the Hansen Elementary School. It was voted:  
5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on January 5, 2012, the School Committee of Canton, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated January 9, 2012 for the **Galvin Middle School** located at 55 Pecunit Street which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category (s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for a repair project to replace the windows to increase energy conservation and maintain the building envelope consistent with state and approved local requirements; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Motion to approve Statement of Interest (SOI) for the MSBA repair project for window replacement at the Galvin Middle School School. It was voted:  
5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

6. FY13 Budget – Mr. Granatino and Mr. Leon present an overview of the FY13 Operating Budget.
  
  - H. Business Manger’s Report – Mr. Leon reports on on-line payment option. Will research further and report back.
  
  - I. Sub-Committee Reports
    1. TEC – Ms. Schutt presents a profile of savings in the amount of \$38,000 that Canton has achieved by participating in TEC purchasing programs.
    2. BRC – Ms. Schutt reports the BRC is ready to turn the high school over to the school committee. A vote by the BRC will be followed by a vote of the school committee to accept the high school as a completed project.
    3. Mrs. Salisbury reports the next meeting will be Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Canton Public Library.
    4. Extracurricular – Mrs. Thomas reports surveys are trickling in.
    5. Start Time Committee
  
  - J. Future Business – Annual CAPE Spelling Bee will take place on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at the CHS Auditorium.
  
  - K. Motion to adjourn at 9:12 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.
- 5 yeas                      0 nays