

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of January 19, 2012
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – John Bonnanzio calls meeting to order at 6:40 PM. Vote to go into Executive Session for reasons of contract negotiation. Vote by roll call: 3 – 0.

Present: John Bonnanzio yea
 Cynthia Thomas yea
 Elisabeth Salisbury yea

- B. Open Session called to order by John Bonnanzio at 7:15 PM

Present: John Bonnanzio
 Cynthia Thomas
 Elisabeth Salisbury

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 January 5, 2012. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

2. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated January 5, 2012. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated January 5, 2012 for public release holding #'s 2 & 5. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

4. Approve Bill Schedule dated January 27, 2012. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

- D. Student Member Report – Eddie El Massih reports boys' basketball had 2 wins in 2 days. Hockey, swimming and wrestling are all winners. CAPE Spelling Bee is Friday, January 20th Black Out Bullying Day will be held January 25th.

- E. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Granatino reports a donation to the Hansen School from Lowe's in the amount of \$4,980. Mr. Sheehan donated \$900 to be used for arts & music library.
- Sung Ahn, GMS 8th grade student was selected as student ambassador for Governor Patrick's Project 351, a day of service and celebration of the life and legacy of D.r martin Luther King, Jr.Sung joined hundreds of fellow ambassadors, chosen from the 351 cities and town at a town hall meeting at the State House.

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- GMS librarian Nancy Stockwell-Alpert for her successful CAPE grant for 3 IPADS to the GMS library as well as some classrooms. As a result of a recent Canton Citizen article, Nancy's librarians' association asked her to write an article in her association's journal.
- Spelling Bee – Students at 6 PM and adult teams at 7:30 PM.
- The Bank of Canton has donated \$250 to the CPSs' as a result of their "Making Change" fundraiser.

F. Unfinished Business

1. FY'13 Budget – Mr. Granatino presents FY'13 Budget powerpoint.

Discussion followed.

Motion to approve FY'13 Preliminary Total Needs Based/Enhancement Budget of \$32,254,434. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

G. New Business

1. Bullying Prevention Plan – Katey Swanson, Interim K-12 Wellness Coordinator gives a comprehensive report on bullying prevention activities through the district so far during the 2011-2012 school year.
2. Ambassador Program – Dr. Dias, Principal, Canton High School gives an overview of the Ambassador Program being instituted at CHS. This program ties in and supports the core values of CHS.
3. Canton Soccer School – Dan Erickson, Director, Canton Soccer School, requests permission to use the CHS field facility, and the gym and auditorium only in case of severe weather for the week of July 30, 2012 – August 3, 2012 from 9 AM to 3 PM for the purpose of running the 19th season of CSS. Mr. Erickson will provide the CHS athletic department all required fees and insurance requirements upon approval of this request. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

4. Bus Contract – Ken Leon, School Business Administrator, presents bid results for 3 year school bus contract. Motion to move forward with

awarding contract for 3 years to Michael J. Connolly & Sons, Inc. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

H. Business Manger's Report – Mr. Leon reports receipt of temporary building occupancy for the JFK addition. Rodman heating project is down to a punch list. Compliments to Brian Lynch for proactively inspecting support walls throughout the school district and in-house repair of a wall in a GMS locker room.

I. Sub-Committee Reports

1. TEC – Mr. Granatino reports approval of a TEC Strategic Plan.
2. Extracurricular – Mrs. Thomas reports will be closing out data collection.

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3. Youth Commission – Mrs. Salisbury reports a Mission Statement was approved at Tuesday's meeting.

4. Negotiations – Will meet with AFSME on February 2, 2012. Steps and lanes study group will meet on January 24, 2012.

J. Future Business – Next meeting is February 2, 2012

K. Public Comments – Michael Curry, CHS Math Coordinator would like to know where the proper place for advocacy for education could occur. Mr. Bonnanzio states that advocacy takes place with the school committee, but that all members of the learning community can take a role in advocating for the education of Canton students.

L. Motion to adjourn at 9:28 PM. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays