

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of March 14, 2013
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. Call To Order – John Bonnanzio calls meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Present: John Bonnanzio
Cynthia Thomas (arr. 7:04 PM)
Reuki Schutt
David Emhardt
Robert Golledge

Also Present: Jeffrey Granatino, Superintendent of Schools
Susan McGowan, Recording Secretary
Staff
Students
Parents
Press

B. Routine Matters

1. Motion to approve Minutes dated March 6, 2013. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays

2. Motion to approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 6, 2013. It was voted by roll call: 4 – 0.

Mr. Bonnanzio ye
Mrs. Schutt ye
Mr. Emhardt ye
Mr. Golledge ye

3. Motion to approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 6, 2013 for public release. It was voted by roll call: 5 – 0.

Mr. Bonnanzio ye
Mrs. Thomas ye
Mrs. Schutt ye
Mr. Emhardt ye
Mr. Golledge ye

4. Motion to approve Bill Schedule dated March 21, 2013. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

C. Student Member – Kelly Bradley, Treasurer of the Student Council, updates the Committee on student activities throughout the District.

- High School production of “I Never Saw a Butterfly” this w/e
- Just finished a very successful winter sports season
- Spanish Exchange
- Upcoming German Exchange
- Distractology program sponsored by Arbella Insurance
- Chris Herren March 27th – students and staff during the school day, open to the public at 7 PM.
- Course Selections Meeting 3/18
- Scott Herr Memorial Floor Hockey Finals

D. Superintendent's Report

- Secretary of Education Matt Malone will visit Canton on March 27
- Derek Folan reviewing NEASC rough draft for any edits he may need to make

E. Old Business

1. Policy Update – Mr. Granatino presents Section I of the Policy Manual for approval. Hold until March 28, 2013
2. Foreign Language Department Presentation – Karen Augenstern presents a vision for the future of the Foreign Language Program at Canton High School highlighting a name change for the department to World Languages, additional exchanges to France and to China within the next few years, globally engaging students, AP Spanish Language and Culture, new Spanish AP test and curriculum for 2013-2014, AP French Language and Culture.

Lengthy discussion followed.

F. New Business

1. Cabot Fund – Postpone until March 28, 2013.
2. Performing Arts Presentation – Sarah Collmer reviews initiatives and accomplishments within the Performing Arts department and upcoming events and student achievements. Thanks Music Counts and the Rodman for their continued support of the arts.
Goals: 1. - .4 FTE CHS Performing Arts, AP Music Theory, Piano and Music Technology II. 1. – Music Room for Hansen in plans for a proposed addition. Jen Meckler, GMS Music Teacher led a group of students playing string instruments.
3. Program of Studies – Derek Folan, CHS Principal, presented the CHS 2013-2014 Program of Studies which included several improvement, additions and revision to meet the various needs of our students and comprehensively address our 21st Century Core Values and Beliefs and the upcoming NEASC recommendations.
4. School Choice – Motion not to participate in School Choice for the 2013-2014 school year due to lack of space and the adverse impact that choice would have on class sizes. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays

G. Business Manager's Report – No Report.

H. Sub-Committee Reports

1. BRC – Mr. Emhardt reports Community Preservation Act training will take place on March 19th.
Next BRC meeting 7 PM on April 3 at the Armando Center

I. Future Business – Next meeting is scheduled for March 28th. Meet with BOS on March 19th and FinCom on March 25, 2013.

J. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:39 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.

5 yeas 0 nays