Town of Canton

Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of March 22, 2012
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. **Call To Order** – Reuki Schutt calls meeting to order at 6:34 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining. Vote by roll call: 4 – 0.

John Bonnanzio  yea  Reuki Schutt  yea  
Cynthia Thomas  yea  Jill Stevens  yea  
Elisabeth Salsbury (arr. 6:38 PM)

B. **Open Session** – Return to open session at 7:20 PM

Present:  John Bonnanzio  
          Cynthia Thomas  
          Elisabeth Salisbury  
          Reuki Schutt  
          Jill Stevens  

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

B. **Routine Matters**  
1. Approve Minutes dated March 8, 2012. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5  yeas  0  nays

2. Approve Minutes dated March 14, 2012. It was voted: 3 – 0.

   3  yeas  0  nays

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 14, 2012. It was voted by roll call: 3 – 0.

   3  yeas  0  nays

4. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated March 14, 2012 for Public Release. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5  yeas  0  nays

5. Approve Bill Schedule dated March 29, 2012. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5  yeas  0  nays

C. **Student Member Report** – Shayna Forte reports MCAS testing took place this week.
- Band Together will take place on March 30th at CHS auditorium.
- Spanish Exchange students arriving tonight.
- Spring sports started on March 19th
- Scholarship info posted on the website today
- Senior externships will be starting soon
- Jazz Night will take place on April 10th at CHS auditorium
- Grade 5 Parent Puberty presentation will take place at Hansen on April 11th.

D. Superintendent’s Report – Superintendent Granatino reports on activities throughout the district.
Mr. Granatino announces that Dr. Dias has accepted a position as principal at Medway High School. Dr. Dias gives an overview of his 5 years at CHS.
Cindy Thomas, on behalf of the Canton School Committee thanks Dr. Dias for his service to the students of Canton High School. The Committee wishes Dr. Dias all the best for his future.

E. Public Comments – No comments.

F. Unfinished Business
1. FY13 Budget – Discuss possible budget cut items under School Committee Budget.

   Possible Budget Cuts

   1. Motion to approve two classroom personnel not returning from a LOA under (2300) Line 149 and Line 147. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

   2. Motion to eliminate late buses (3370) Line 332. It was voted: 4 – 1 – 0.

   4 yeas 1 nay

   Possible Budget Additions

   3. Motion to approve a new three year heating cots-natural gas contract (4120) Line 390. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

   Budget Supplement

   4. Motion to approve .5 Kindergarten teacher at JFK in the amount of $26,492 based on registration to be funded from the Kindergarten Revolving Account. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

   5. Motion to approve 1 Special Education Teacher at CHS in the amount of $52,984 and 1 Special Education Teacher at the Rodman ECC in the amount of $52,984 to be funded from Circuit Breaker funds. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays
6. Motion to approve Software Renewals in the amount of $64,588. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays

7. Motion to approve increase due to bid of new three student bussing contract in the amount of $85,680. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays

8. Motion to approve a Grade 2 teacher based on existing grade 1 enrollment in the amount of $52,984. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays

9. Motion to approve morning supervision at CHS, JFK and Hansen as presented. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays

10. Motion to approve addition of diesel fuel costs to the budget in the amount of $20,000. It was voted: 5 – 0.
    5 yeas 0 nays

   It was decided to remove NEASC visiting team costs in the amount of $16,760 from this year’s budget.

   Dr. Dias will bring recommendation to Mr. Granatino regarding the .6 Dean of Students position at CHS.

G. New Business
1. **Cabot Fund** – Motion to approve Cabot Fund requests as presented in the amount of $13,545 with $2,161 held over for next year. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays

2. **Annual Town Meeting Articles** – Mr. Granatino reviews articles related to the School Department.

3. **Canton Recreation** – Larry Bogue, Chair Canton Recreation Commission, requests permission to use the JFK parking lot during April vacation, April 16, 2012 – April 20, 2012, to host their spring carnival fundraiser. It was voted: 5 – 0.
   5 yeas 0 nays
4. **School Choice** – Motion not to participate in School Choice for the 2012-2013 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

5. **School Committee Policy Review** – Motion to approve First Read of Section C “in form”. It was voted 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

Motion to waive a Second Read of Section C “in form”. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

Motion to approve Section C “In form” as presented. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays

H. **Business Manger’s Report** – No report.

I. **Sub-Committee Reports**

   1. **TEC** – Superintendent Granatino will be attending a TEC meeting tomorrow, March 23, 2012.

   2. **BRC** – Will meet next Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 11 AM.

   3. **Youth Commission** – Mrs. Salisbury reports the Youth Commission has formed 3 groups: Communication, Finance and Visions and are working on two projects/initiatives: The Speakers Bureau and the Job Board. The Commission meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Canton Pulbi Library at 7 PM. Visit the Commission on Facebook.

   4. **Negotiations.** – Mr. Granatino reports AFSME negotiations are ongoing as well as Unit E.

J. **Future Business** – Upcoming meeting April 5, 2012 will be the Budget Hearing.

K. **Other** – Mrs. Salisbury announces Battle of the Bands event on March 30th to help support our music program.

L. Motion to adjourn at 9:44 PM. It was voted: 5 – 0.

   5 yeas 0 nays