

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of December 1, 2011
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

- A. Call To Order – Cindy Thomas calls meeting to order at 7:00 PM. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

Present: Cindy Thomas
Reuki Schutt (7:03 PM)
Jill Stevens
Elisabeth Salisbury

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

- B. Routine Matters

1. Approve Minutes dated November 10, 2011. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

2. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated November 10, 2011. It was voted by roll call: 3 – 0.

Cindy Thomas yea
Elisabeth Salsibury yea
Jill Stevens yea

3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated November 10, 2011 for Public Release holding #1. It was voted by roll call: 3 – 0.

Cindy Thomas yea
Elisabeth Salsibury yea
Jill Stevens yea

4. Approve Bill Schedule dated November 23, 2011. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

5. Approve Bill Schedule dated December 8, 2011. It was voted: 3 – 0.

3 yeas 0 nays

- C. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Granatino reports a successful Title I Teacher/Parents Literacy Night at the Hansen organized by Jen Henderson. December 14th Grade 8 Student/Parent Information Night to be held at CHS. Wonderful opportunity for 8th graders and their parents to see that CHS has to offer.
CAPE grants awarded to CHS for a "Change Agents" diversity project and to GMS for a Lego Robotics project.
Congratulations to all involved in the recent CHS production of Once Upon a Mattress.

After recent alleged hazing incident reported in news, Mr. Granatino assures the community that our safeguards are strong to prevent such an incident.

D. Unfinished Business

1. School Committee Policy Review – Postponed until December 15, 2011. Section A only will be reviewed.

E. New Business

1. Department Update – Dan Rubin, Director of Guidance, reviews his department's activities from Guidance Seminar starting its 4th year, Boomarang expanding to include new students to the district as well as freshmen, rising mental health issues in our students, the Career Center, community service program and our externship program. Mr. Rubin also reports an increase in daily attendance rate for our freshmen class.
2. CHS Handbook Update – Dr. Dias presents current hazing policy that is included in the athletic handbook for inclusion in the general CHS Handbook that is handed out to all students. It was voted: 4 – 0.

4 yeas 0 nays
3. Bank of Canton – Mr. Granatino informs Committee that the Bank of Canton will donate their 6% fee for all coin counting activity at the bank to the CHS General Fund.
4. Orchard Cover Volunteer Program – Mr. Granatino informs the Committee of the return of the "Two Way Street Program", where residents of Orchard Cover will volunteer in the district's elementary schools.
5. ATM Articles – Review of possible ATM articles. Will vote at December 15th meeting.
6. FY13 Capital Budget – Ken Leon and Jeff Granatino review FY13 Capital Budget items. More discussion and voted at December 15th meeting.

F. Business Manager's Report – On-line payment update will be presented at the December 15th meeting.

Mrs. Schutt mentions Mr. Sims detailed presentation at a recent FinCom meeting. Future discussion of some of the issues that were brought up.

G. Sub-Committee Reports

1. TEC – Mr. Granatino reports December 5th Strategic Planning meeting.
2. BRC – Mrs. Schutt reports Bob McCarthy is very impressive keeping all project information accurate and current.
3. Youth Commission – Dr. Salisbury reports meeting 3rd Tuesday of every month. Please refer to new link at the Town of Canton website.
4. Extra-Curricula Activities – Mrs. Thomas next meeting is December 5, 2011. Mrs. Thomas and Dr. Salisbury report group is working very hard delving into the extracurricular activities. Review surveys, guidelines challenges of running a program. Preliminary recommendation at the

December 15th meeting with a more formal report the end of January 2012.

H. Motion to adjourn at 9:20 PM It was voted: 4 – 0.
4 yeas 0 nays