

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of November 13, 2018
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

A. Call to Order:

The meeting of the School Committee is called to order by Chair Kristin Mirliani at 7:01 pm.

B. Executive Session: Canceled

C. Open Session:

Present are:

Kristin Mirliani
Michael Loughran
Meg Gannon
Reuki Schutt
Nichola Gallagher

Also Present:

Dr. Jennifer Fischer-Mueller, Superintendent
Barry Nectow, Business Manager
Colleen Hutchinson, Recording Secretary
Max Macort, Student Representative
Press
Staff

D. Public Comments/Questions: None

E. New Business:

1. FY20 Capital Budget: Mr. Barry Nectow presented changes to the FY20 Capital Budget. There was additional capital moved to the CHS Projector line item. To do this, capital was taken out of line items 13, main office carpeting, 53 and 54, CHS library furniture. Capital money will be used to fund line item 52, GMS library furniture. Original money in line item 11 for the storage module at Memorial field will reduce from 24k to 14k. Final vote expected to be on 12/6. A complete copy of the FY20 Capital summary is available on request.
2. Canton Community Preservation Committee Vote: Mr. Nectow informed the board that the amount requested from CCPC for the basketball court was reduced from \$54,943 to \$50,000. The schools will contribute the additional money to CCPC toward the project.
Move to change the amount asked for the basketball court from \$54,943 to \$50,000: Reuki Schutt
Second: Meg Gannon
Vote: 5-0

Mr. Barry Nectow presented a proposal and requested a vote of approval to include the Luce Shine Slide as a CCPC project. A community member submitted the proposal through CAPT. The cost is approximately \$37,000, the CCPC

funding request is for \$35,000. A family foundation and the Luce CAPT will make up the difference.

Move to approve the Luce Slide as a CCPC project: Reuki Schutt

Second: Meg Gannon

Vote: 5-0

The Walsh Field Bathroom CCPC project request will be withdrawn.

3. Request a Vote of Approval for Disposal of Surplus Material: Mr. Barry Nectow requested approval to dispose of surplus technology material from CHS, Hansen, Galvin and Rodman.

Move to approve the Disposal of Surplus Technology from CHS, Hansen, Galvin and Rodman: Reuki Schutt

Second: Meg Gannon

Vote: 5-0

F. Student Report: Max Macort was present, no report

G. Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Activities Highlights

CAPT and CAPE Presidents: On Wednesday, November 7, the monthly meeting with the Presidents of elementary and middle school CAPTs and the President of CAPE was held. Ms. Rooney and Ms. Kinsella walked the parent-leaders through website templates created by Ms. Kinsella for the CAPTs and CAPE. Website templates are being created for CAPTs and CAPE because our new website vendor does not allow us to host third party organizations on our new website. The parent-leaders were very appreciative of Ms. Kinsella's work on the websites and her commitment to set them up with a working website, along with the help of our new District-wide Information Technology Specialist, Mike Barucci.

We expect our new website to be rolled-out to the public by the end of December.

GMS Water Main Break: On Thursday, November 8, there was water main break at Galvin Middle School. Thanks to the prompt responses by GMS administrators, staff and students; the Town's Public Works Department and Police Department; Connolly Bus Company; the Hansen Elementary School staff; and, CPS administrators, school continued and dismissal ran smoothly.

School bus drop-off and pick-up for GMS students will continue at the Hansen Elementary School until construction of one part of the GMS driveway is completed. Due to weather conditions, we expect the driveway to be completed after Thanksgiving.

Updates

Safety and Security: On Friday, November 9, there was a safety drill at the Rodman that practiced a lockdown due to an intruder. Thanks to the attention and good judgment of staff it was a successful drill.

Indicators of Excellence

Professional Development Day: On Tuesday, November 7, educators across the district participated in professional development. Our PreK-5 educators were able to choose from a variety of topics for AM and PM sessions. Feedback was very positive. Below are some examples of feedback:

"This PD was amazing- it provided real and immediate improvement that actually felt feasible and possible to accomplish."

"Thank you! I loved learning something useful to use in my classroom. Thank you for letting us follow our own paths..."

"I love that we were given choices of things that were interesting and relevant to us."

At GMS, educators continued their work with Principal Shannon to further develop their shared understanding of the GMS student experience. In the afternoon, content area teams participated in a concept mapping protocol that helped teachers re-investigate their grade level standards and possible cross-curricular connections.

At CHS, several teachers modeled exemplary lessons to prompt teacher learning and discussion providing a platform for furthering their work around intentional lesson design.

Important Dates and Events

November 14	<u>CFED Meeting</u> Starts at 7:00pm CHS Library Conference Room
November 15-18	<u>CHS Fall Play Public Welcome</u> - 7:00pm CHS Auditorium, 11/18 show is @ 2:00pm
November 19	MCAS Information Session for Parents and Guardians - 6:00pm-7:30pm- GMS Library
November 19	CHS National Honor Society Induction - 7:00pm CHS Auditorium
November 21	<u>Early Release PreK-12</u>
November 22-23	<u>Thanksgiving Recess - No School</u>
November 28	<u>Early Release - PreK and Grades 6-8 Parent Conferences</u> PreK Conferences afternoon only, Gr. 6-8 Conferences afternoon and evening
November 29	<u>Grade 9-12 Parent Conferences (afternoon and evening)</u>
November 29	<u>PreK Parent Conferences (evening)</u>
December 5	<u>Early Release PreK-12 - Professional Development</u>
December 6	<u>School Committee Meeting</u> Starts at 7:00pm

H. Old Business: None

I. Other New Business:

1. Policies: Ms. Debra Bromfield presented policy EBB for review and vote of approval. There were no changes proposed to the policy.

Move to waive 2nd read: Reuki Schutt

Second: Meg Gannon

Vote: 5-0

Move to approve policy EBB with no changes: Reuki Schutt

Second: Meg Gannon

Vote: 5-0

J. Business Manager's Report: None

K. Routine Matters:

1. Approve Minutes dated November 1, 2018.
Move: Reuki Schutt
Second: Meg Gannon
Abstain: Kristin Mirliani
Vote: 4-0-1
2. Approve Executive Minutes dated November 1, 2018.
Move: Reuki Schutt
Second: Meg Gannon
Abstain: Kristin Mirliani
Abstain: Nichola Gallagher
Vote: 3-0-2
3. Approve Bill schedule dated November 21, 2018
Move: Reuki Schutt
Second: Meg Gannon
Vote: 5-0

L. Sub-Committee Reports:

1. CPC – Nichola Gallagher – Deadline for projects is Friday, nothing new to report
2. BRC – Mike Loughran – nothing to report
3. Wellness - Meg Gannon – nothing to report
4. Finance - Reuki Schutt/Meg Gannon – discussed earlier during Capital agenda item.
5. Policy - Kristin Mirliani – nothing to report
6. PRHC – Nichola Gallagher- nothing to report

L. Future Business: Next School Committee Meeting will be held Thursday, December 6, 2018 @ 7:00 in the Distance Learning Lab.

M. Other Business:

N. Adjournment: Time: 7:26 p.m.
Move to adjourn Open Session: Reuki Schutt
Second: Meg Gannon