

**CANON-McMILLAN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2010**

The Canon-McMillan Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:06 P.M. by the President, Mr. Pihakis, at the Canon-McMillan Administration Building, 1 North Jefferson Avenue, Canonsburg, PA.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Roll call was taken.

Robert Malwitz	P	Darla Bowman-Monaco	P	Joe Zupancic	P
Zeffie Carroll	P	Manuel Pihakis	P	Paul Scarmazzi	P
Debbie Link	P	Laura Grossman	P	Eric Kline	P

In addition to Board Members, the following non-members were present:

Dr. Helen McCracken, Superintendent  
 Ms. Joni Mansmann, Director of Business and Finance  
 Mr. Michael Lucas, Solicitor  
 Ms. Sharon Avbel, Board Secretary  
 Ms. Melinda Coleman, Student Representative  
 Ms. Maria Silvestros, Student Representative

**Agenda Approval**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco to approve the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens Speak**

No citizens addressed the Board on agenda items.

**General Items for Consideration**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the following minutes, treasurer's report, and wage tax reports:

Regular Meeting of the Board, February 16, 2010  
 Special Meeting of the Board, February 18, 2010  
 Committee Meeting of the Board, March 8, 2010  
 Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, March 8, 2010

WAGE TAX REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 2010	Current Collections	Year to Date	Budgeted 2009-10	% of Expected
Canonsburg Borough	\$146,759.66	\$299,732.78	\$300,000	99.9%
North Strabane Twp.	--	393,296.92	1,400,000	28.1%

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Cecil Township	196,246.99	593,186.97	1,300,000	45.6%
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The motion carried unanimously.

**Bills for Ratification and Approval**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the following bills for ratification and approval:

Bills For Ratification:

FOR FEBRUARY, 2010

General Fund	\$4,475,337.68
Athletic Fund	4,215.42
Cafeteria Fund	104,524.01

Bills for Approval:

FOR MARCH, 2010

General Fund	\$267,652.34
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The motion carried unanimously.

**Budget Transfers**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scarmazzi that the Board approve the following budget transfers:

FOR MARCH, 2010

Budget Transfers Requiring Board Approval <u>Prior</u> to Transfer .....	\$52,120.
Budget Transfers Requiring Board Ratification <u>Subsequent</u> to Transfer ....	\$96,688.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**Student Representative Reports**

The student representatives reported that the graduation project exits were held on Friday and the weather drill will be held on March 18. Connor Schram placed first at the PIAA Wrestling Championships. "Footloose" has been rescheduled for April 16-18 and PSSA testing is this month.

Mr. Pihakis informed the students that the State had granted the waiver request for three days so this year's graduation date will remain the same.

***SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT***

**Resignations**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board accept the following extra-curricular resignations:

William Belleno	Special education department head
Matt Baker	Assistant varsity baseball coach

The motion carried unanimously.

**Appointments**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board

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approve the following appointments:

1. change the status of Lizanne Boni from a temporary 5.5 hour cafeteria worker at Wylandville Elementary to a permanent 5.5 hour cafeteria worker at the same school, effective March 1, 2010.
2. approve the following extra-curricular positions contingent upon receipt and successful review of all required employment documentation:

Scott Henson	Assistant varsity baseball coach	\$2,724
Zachary Zebrasky	Assistant varsity baseball coach	\$2,724
Brent McAuliffe	Assistant varsity baseball coach	\$2,724
3. appoint Brendan Dittmar as a volunteer varsity baseball coach.
4. approve the Addendum to the Professional and Support Staff Substitute List, dated March, 2010.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Stipulated Adjudications**

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zupancic that the Board approve the discipline recommendation for Student E and Student F on the basis of a Stipulated Adjudication.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **SWAP**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the following SWAP termination resolution with a target amount of \$1,500,000.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

#### **2010-2011 School Calendar**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the 2010-2011 school calendar with a start date of August 23, 2010 and ending date of May 31, 2011 for the students.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Agreement with Premier Power Solutions**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scarmazzi that the Board approve the agreement and letter of authorization with Premier Power Solutions.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Equitable Gas Company Delivery Service Agreement**

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Ms. Bowman-Monaco made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kline that the Board approve the Equitable Gas Company delivery service agreement.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

### **WACTC Budget for 2010-2011**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kline that the Board approve the 2010-11 budget for the Western Area Career and Technology Center which shows an increase in Canon-McMillan's cost of \$19,633.73.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

### **Healthcare Trust Fund**

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to 24 P.S. § 218 and GASB 45 and consistent with the recommendations of the District Auditors, Cypher and Cypher, the Administration is authorized to establish an OPEB (Other Post-employment Benefits) EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND. The purpose of the Trust Fund shall be to fund ongoing post-retirement benefit costs. The current unfunded actuarial liability is \$ 10,850,204. The Administration is authorized to transfer into the Trust Fund amounts the Board of Directors annually budget for such purpose. Funds placed into the Trust Fund shall be placed in short term investments approved under the School Code. An accounting of the Trust Fund Balance shall be made a regular part of the Treasurer's report to the Board of Directors. Funds placed into the Trust Fund may be paid, each school year, to reimburse the District's General Fund for the cost of retiree health payments made during the school year. The Administration is authorized to have prepared all documentation necessary for the creation and ongoing operation of the Trust Fund.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

### **Recognition**

The Board recognized the following:

Canonsburg Middle School collected 768 personal care packages for Haiti relief. The student council organized the event and the student body, faculty and staff responded with generosity.

Jonathan Balog of Canonsburg Middle School has qualified to represent his school and participate at the state level of the National Geographic Bee, sponsored by Google and Plum Creek. The state Bee will be held on April 9, 2010 at Pennsylvania State University. One winner from each state will advance to the national competition.

High school students Katie Chuey and Katherine Mansfield had articles published in the Observer-Reporter's school pride insert on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

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**Citizens Speak**

The following citizens addressed the Board:

Randy Swink	1425 Washington Road	Questioned support of Mr. Helinski; son's suspension
Mikie Severyn	323 Spruce	Concern regarding student's taking class instead of lunch
Ben Lombardo	133 O'Hare Road	Voice unheard; Mr. Helinski's attendance on band trip
Mike Reis	141 Garden Street	Supports Mr. Helinski
Adam Palyas	230 Taylor Drive	Interview of his daughter; Mrs. Mansmann's Act 48 status; Ms. Kazos reports to whom?
Bill Graziani	1028 Oakridge Road	Extra-curricular stipends very low; football boosters in debt; helmet funding needed

**Adjournment**

Mr. Pihakis adjourned the meeting at 7:49 P.M.

*Sharon L. Arbel*

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Board Secretary