

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

The Canon-McMillan Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:02 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. Mr. Pihakis asked that if anyone was recording or filming the meeting, they give their name and address. There was no response. Mr. Pihakis announced that the Board had met in executive session prior to the meeting for personnel and legal matters.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Mr. Kline participated in the meeting by speakerphone.

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

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

Dr. Helen McCracken, Superintendent
Mr. Michael Daniels, Assistant to the Superintendent
Ms. Joni Mansmann, Director of Business and Finance
Mr. Mike Lucas, Solicitor
Ms. Sharon Avbel, Board Secretary
Ms. Brianna Sharkady, Student Representative
Mr. Addison Galambos, Student Representative

Agenda Approval

Mr. Pihakis recommended that the agenda be revised to put the motion on New Clubs prior to Personnel Appointments. Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco to approve the agenda as revised.

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:

Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, October 11, 2010
Transportation Committee Meeting of the Board, October 12, 2010
Budget & Finance Committee Meeting of the Board, October 12, 2010
Regular Meeting of the Board, October 18, 2010
Special Meeting of the Board, November 1, 2010
Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, November 8, 2010

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WAGE TAX REPORT FOR OCTOBER, 2010	Current Collections	Year to Date	Budgeted 2010-11	% of Expected
Canonsburg Borough	\$14,925.41	\$39,409.61	\$360,000	11.0%
North Strabane Twp.	66,977.75	140,011.80	1,440,000	9.7%
Cecil Township	93,953.72	116,643.99	1,300,000	9.0%

The motion carried unanimously.

Bills for Ratification and Approval

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

Bills For Ratification:

FOR OCTOBER, 2010

General Fund	\$4,205,345.55
Athletic Fund	7,380.00
Cafeteria Fund	9,606.53

Bills for Approval:

FOR NOVEMBER, 2010

General Fund	\$2,947,306.33
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The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Transfers

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

Budget Transfers Requiring Board Approval Prior to Transfer\$ 31,595.
 Budget Transfers Requiring Board Ratification Subsequent to Transfer ...\$455,842.

The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Ms. Carroll told the Board about the meeting last Friday with the Schools To Watch State team. There can be three outcomes: 1) the school can be rejected, 2) the school can receive the Keystone Award, or 3) the school gets the Gold Medal. If Canonsburg Middle School wins the Gold Medal they would receive visitors for the next three years. The results should be known by January with the award being given in March.

Student Representative Reports

The students introduced themselves and told the Board about their future plans. Children’s Grief Awareness Day is November 18; a blue-out and hat day will be held. A spaghetti dinner and bake sale will be held at the High School on November 30 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM to benefit the Santa Fund. A Santa Fund jug

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collection will be conducted from December 1 to December 23 during lunch periods with the culminating activity being the CMTV Telethon on December 23. Students will also be volunteering for the Red Kettle Campaign to benefit the Salvation Army.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Resignations

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board accept the following resignations:

1. the resignation of Janice Bias from her position as a family and consumer science teacher at the High School effective January 11, 2011 for the purpose of retirement. Ms. Bias has been with the district for 32 years.
2. the resignation of Michael Pirnik from his position as a maintenance worker effective December 31, 2010 for the purpose of retirement. Mr. Pirnik has worked in the district for 25 ½ years.
3. the resignation of Denise Matthews from her position as Life Club sponsor effective August 2010.

Ms. Bowman-Monaco stated her appreciation for all of the years that Mr. Pirnik plowed the snow for the district. The motion carried unanimously.

New Clubs

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve two additional clubs: High School Computer Science Club and Femina Club.

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

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

1. hire Michael Minor as a school psychologist (Act 93, 215 day position) at an annual salary of \$50,000 effective December 6, 2010.
2. change Lorene Huston from a 5 hour driver to a 6.25 hour driver effective October 18, 2010.
3. change the status of Chylise Gostic from a 2.75 hour cafeteria worker at Borland Manor Elementary to a 3.25 hour cafeteria worker at First Street Elementary effective November 4, 2010.
4. hire Jackie Jacoby as a temporary secretary for the transportation department from November 17, 2010 through February 28, 2011.
5. approve the following extra-curricular positions at the contracted rate contingent upon receipt and successful review of all required employment documentation:

Janet Morgan	Femina Club Sponsor	\$ 464
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Gary Ruozzi	Computer Science Club Sponsor	\$ 464
Sheila Mitchell	9 th Grade Girls Volleyball Coach	\$2,925
Carla Hudson	Ass't. Varsity Girls Basketball Coach	\$4,490
Tom Lucchino	Ass't. Varsity Girls Basketball Coach	\$4,490

6. approve the Addendum to the Professional and Support Staff Substitute List, dated November, 2010.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Fundraiser

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve an additional fundraiser (book fair) for Canonsburg Middle School Student Council.

The motion carried unanimously.

Policy Revision

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the revision of Policy 237 Electronic Devices Policy.

The motion carried unanimously.

Cecil Property

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board accept the donation of a 3.2879 acre tract of land owned by the Washington County Community Center, to direct the District Solicitor to prepare an appropriate deed for the property and to authorize the Board President to execute the deed on the District's behalf.

The motion carried unanimously.

Disposals

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the disposal of old band uniforms and the disposal of additional equipment.

The motion carried unanimously.

Student Trips

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the AP U.S. History trip to Gettysburg, PA on April 11-12, 2011 and the High School Bella Voce trip to participate in the Music Festivals competition and adjudication in New York City on April 28-May 1, 2011.

The motion carried unanimously.

Tax Appeal Settlement

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the proposed tax appeals settlement to not exceed a revenue loss of \$19,557.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried with all present voting aye with the

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exception of Mr. Kline who voted nay.

Swap Agreement Resolution

Ms. Bowman-Monaco made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scarmazzi that the Board approve the swap agreement resolution.

Mr. Zupancic stated that he will be voting no because it was a mistake to do the swap the last time and it's a mistake again. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with Ms. Bowman-Monaco, Ms. Carroll, Mr. Kline, Mr. Scarmazzi, and Mr. Pihakis voting aye, Mr. Zupancic voting nay, and Ms. Link abstaining.

Contracted Carriers

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the following contracted carriers for the 2010-11 school year:

Sherry Kovalovsky	to Children's Institute	\$62/day
Gina Nestor	to Pathfinder	\$35/day
Tricia Baum	to South Central Elementary	\$12.50/day

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

The Board recognized the following:

Canon-McMillan High School has been awarded a Highmark Healthy High 5 school grant of \$9,993 to implement The Fly Solo Program that will provide students with enhanced physical activity. Penny Cousins is the grant coordinator and a physical education teacher at the High School.

On November 5th, Brian Herrig, Technology Education teacher at Canonsburg Middle School, traveled to the Technology and Engineering Education Association conference at Camp Hill, PA where he was presented with the Dr. Nevin Andre Award for Outstanding Journal Article. This award is presented to the author or co-authors of an article published in one of the 4 editions of the TEEAP Journals published between the fall post-conference edition and the summer edition published prior to the conference. The published article must have contributed to the goals and standards of the TEEAP organization and has promoted the organization as well as the technology & engineering education profession. The article for which Mr. Herrig is being recognized is entitled "Thinking Like a Programmer" and describes the video game design unit that he has developed for his seventh grade Technology Applications class.

Citizens Speak

The following citizens addressed the Board:

Bonnie Burchesky	231 Thornwood Drive, Canonsburg	Band representative
David Bober	1031 Fifth Street, Canonsburg	History
Bill Angotti	Euclid Avenue, Canonsburg	Citizens speak policy

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Meeting Recessed Mr. Pihakis recessed the meeting at 7:25 P.M. The meeting will be reconvened at a later date for appointment of special counsel.

Meeting Reconvened Mr. Pihakis reconvened the meeting at 10:00 A.M. on November 22, 2010.

Special Counsel Mr. Kline made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board appoint Timothy Berggren, Esq. as special counsel at the cost of \$95 per hour.

On a roll call vote the motion carried unanimously with Ms. Bowman-Monaco, Mr. Zupancic, Mr. Kline, Mr. Scarmazzi, Mr. Malwitz, Ms. Link, and Mr. Pihakis in attendance and voting aye.

Adjournment Mr. Pihakis adjourned the meeting at 10:01 A.M.

Sharon L. Cibul

Board Secretary