

CANON-McMILLAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2010

The Canon-McMillan Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the President, Mr. Pihakis, at the Canon-McMillan High School auditorium, 314 Elm Street Extension, 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 matters.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken.

Robert Malwitz	A	Darla Bowman-Monaco	P	Joe Zupancic	P
Zeffie Carroll	A	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
Ms. Grace Lani, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Michael Lucas, Solicitor
Ms. Sharon Avbel, Board Secretary

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. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the following minutes, treasurer's reports, and wage tax reports:

Committee Meeting of the Board, August 2, 2010
Regular Meeting of the Board, August 16, 2010
Committee Meeting of the Board, September 7, 2010
Committee Meeting of the Board, September 13, 2010
Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, September 13, 2010
Committee Meeting of the Board, September 14, 2010

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WAGE TAX REPORT FOR AUGUST, 2010	Current Collections	Year to Date	Budgeted 2009-10	% of Expected
Canonsburg Borough	\$65,985.33	\$690,089.58	\$300,000	230.0%
North Strabane Twp.	214,271.70	1,597,872.62	1,400,000	114.1%
Cecil Township	165,351.28	1,549,997.66	1,300,000	119.2%

The motion carried unanimously.

Bills for Ratification and Approval

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kline that the Board approve the bills for ratification and approval:

Bills For Ratification:

FOR AUGUST, 2010

General Fund	\$3,327,074.21
Athletic Fund	1,140.00
Cafeteria Fund	14,171.07

Bills for Approval:

FOR SEPTEMBER, 2010

General Fund	\$841,970.09
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The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Ms. Bowman-Monaco stated that the transportation and buildings and grounds committees met this month. The buildings and grounds committee visited the schools prior to the beginning of the school year. The first week of school went well for transportation. Mr. Kline noted the marvelous transformation of Wylandville Elementary in the last week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Resignations

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

1. the resignation of Nicole Bazner from her position as a 2nd grade teacher at First Street Elementary effective August 20, 2010. Ms. Bazner has accepted other employment.
2. the resignation of Connie Oluszak from her position as a 5th grade teacher at North Strabane Intermediate effective November 15, 2010 for the purpose of retirement. Ms. Oluszak has taught in the district for 26 years.

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3. the resignation of Kara Wisniewski from her position as school psychologist effective September 24, 2010. Dr. Wisniewski is returning to her prior position out of state.
4. the resignation of Jennifer Rush from her position as a 3.75 hour cafeteria worker at the High School effective August 16, 2010.
5. the resignation of Gloria Dvorak from her position as a 3 hour cafeteria worker at Hills-Hendersonville Elementary effective at the start of the 2010-11 school year.
6. the resignation of John Kavoulakis from his position as an 8 hour custodian at First Street Elementary effective October 6, 2010 for the purpose of retirement. Mr. Kavoulakis has served the district for 33 years.

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

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

1. hire Jamie Dunn as a 2nd grade teacher at First Street Elementary at the contracted rate effective at the start of the 2010-11 school year.
2. appoint the following as substitutes for teachers on leave for the 2010-11 school year with salary and benefits per Procedure IV-7:
Maria McNally for 2nd grade at First Street Elementary, full year
Alexis Rentschler for 5th grade at Cecil Intermediate, 1st semester
3. hire Jim Matera as a temporary 4 hour custodian at South Central Elementary effective September 1, 2010.
4. hire Pat Kostelich as a temporary 8 hour custodian at the High School effective September 13, 2010.
5. appoint the following teachers as mentors for the 2010-11 school year:
Shana Porter for Lauren Paddick
Chris LaSalvia for Scott Drakeley
Dennis Pastorius for Jamie Dunn
Kathy Durko for Jennifer Frank
Lucy Moninger for Janet Gilbert
Carla Hudson for Natalie McCall
Jennifer Auman for Heather Merry
Marla Kuhn for Melissa Nelson
Dottie Baker for Jessica Shaffer
Tiffany Kolarcik for Erin Stankus
Tim Garry for Robert Stone
Roberta DeJohn for Christy Chavez

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6. approve the following cafeteria workers at the contracted rate effective September 8, 2010:
 - a. hire Nancy Merckle as a 3 hour cafeteria worker at Hills-Hendersonville Elementary.
 - b. change the status of Jill Wales from a 2.5 hour cafeteria worker at North Strabane Intermediate to a 3.25 hour cafeteria worker at First Street Elementary.
 - c. change the status of Bea Womer from a 3.25 hour cafeteria worker at Muse Elementary to a 3.75 hour cafeteria worker at the High School.
7. approve the following extra-curricular positions at the contracted rate contingent upon receipt and successful review of all required employment documentation:

Lori Hedderman	National Jr. Honor Society Co-sponsor	\$232
Filitsa Skolikas	National Jr. Honor Society Co-sponsor	\$232
Steve Kropinak	Science Club Sponsor	\$464
Heather Powelson	Head Middle School Girls Soccer Coach	\$2,614
Kristen Mavrich	Assistant Varsity Cheerleading Sponsor	\$2,034

8. appoint the following as volunteers:

Nick Mandich	9 th Grade Football Volunteer
Craig Piechnick	Softball Volunteer
Brian Kiger	Softball Volunteer
Garrett Mehl	Varsity Football Volunteer
9. approve the Addendum to the Professional and Support Staff Substitute List, dated September 2010.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Clubs Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the list of clubs and activities for the 2010-11 school year.

The motion carried unanimously.

Contracted Carriers

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

GG&C Bus Company	to DePaul School for Hearing & Speech	\$154/day *
GG&C Bus Company	to Western PA School for the Blind	\$205/day *

* shared rate with one other district

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Student Trips Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the 10th grade US History trip to Washington D.C. from April 28-30, 2011, the Canonsburg Middle School Symphonic Band to participate in the National

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Adjudicator's Festival, Grand Nationals on April 28-May 1, 2011, the varsity cheerleaders to attend the 2011 UCA National Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida from February 10-15, 2011 (if they qualify at the regional competition on December 4, 2010), and the varsity and junior varsity boys basketball teams to attend the KSA Holiday Basketball Tournament in Orlando, Florida on December 15-17, 2010. As by practice, if the Secretary of Homeland Defense declares a Code Red, any previously approved trips are cancelled. The Superintendent has the authority to cancel trips regardless of Code Red status to preserve the welfare and safety of our students and staff.

The motion carried unanimously.

Disposal of School Bus

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kline that the Board approve the disposal of bus #11 through the 422 Auction.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Policy Revision

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman-Monaco that the Board approve the revision to Policy 620, Fund Balance.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Contract for Disposal Services

Ms. Bowman-Monaco made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zupancic that the Board award the contract for disposal services for the 2010-11 school year to Allied Waste.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Additional Fundraiser

Mr. Zupancic made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve an additional fundraiser for the girls varsity tennis boosters.

The motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

The Board recognized the following:

The National Technology Student Association Conference was held in Baltimore, MD, June 28 - July 2, 2010. Renee Lani was the 8th place National Finalist in Imaging Technology and the team of Patrick Williams and Matthew Rozak won 9th place as National Finalists in Music Production. All students were able to compete at the national level after Ms. Lani placed 1st in the state competition and Mr. Williams and Mr. Rozak placed 3rd in the state competition.

Wylandville Elementary School was named a National Blue Ribbon School because of its high performance. The school was one of 304 schools across the country recognized as an award winner. This year's winning schools will be honored at an

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awards ceremony on November 15 and 16 in Washington, D.C.

The Highmark Foundation has awarded two Highmark Healthy High 5 School Challenge grants to the district. The first is to Canonsburg Middle School through the efforts of Jon Weber in the amount of \$8,416 for equipment and curriculum to enhance the PE program. The second grant is to Cecil Intermediate School through the efforts of Elizabeth Beck and Shelly McMillon in the amount of \$6,676 to purchase exercise equipment to enhance the PE program at that school.

The Canonsburg Middle School Symphonic Band has been selected to perform at the 2011 Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) annual conference. The Symphonic Band will be showcased at a state level at this prestigious performance venue. It is a special honor to have been accepted, as more than 160 entries were submitted for evaluation.

Citizens Speak

Mr. Lucas set the rules for this section of the agenda. Citizens should give their name, address, and the group they are representing (if appropriate). Each person’s time will be limited to three minutes and their comments should be directed to the Board chairperson. The following citizens addressed the Board:

Donna Click	49 Ridgewood Drive, McDonald	Fundraisers and guidelines
Nick Cianelli	301 Spruce Street, Canonsburg	Fund balance policy; hiring of Mr. Sohyda
Bill Angotti	390 Euclid Avenue, Canonsburg	High School principal; citizens speak policy
Fred Lombardo	133 OHare Road, Canonsburg	Petition being circulated

Mr. Pihakis stated that if citizens need questions answered they should call the administration office and make an appointment.

Adjournment

Ms. Bowman-Monaco made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Pihakis adjourned the meeting at 7:34 P.M.

Sharon L. Abel

Board Secretary