

CANON-McMILLAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2003

The Canon-McMillan Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by the President, Mr. Pihakis, in the administration building, located at One North Jefferson Avenue, Canonsburg, PA.

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

Roll Call

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

Mr. Arista	P	Mr. Affinito	P	Mr. Pintar	P
Mr. Pihakis	P	Mr. Yorke	P	Mr. Bowman	P
Ms. Link	P	Mr. Fullgraf	P	Mr. Romano	P

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

- Mr. Eugene Buchleitner, Superintendent
- Dr. Helen McCracken, Assistant to the Superintendent
- Mr. N. Glenn Mamula, Business Manager
- Mr. W. Lee Schafer, Director of Support Services
- Ms. Linda Kappel, Federal Coordinator
- Judge Richard DiSalle, Solicitor
- Ms. Leslie Lazorchak, Substitute Board Secretary
- Mr. Michael Lipinski, Student Representative
- Mr. Jacob Bagwell, Student Representative

Agenda Approval

Mr. Arista made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link to approve the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Consideration

Mr. Bowman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Arista that the Board accept the following minutes, the treasurer's report, the wage tax reports, and correspondence:

- Regular Meeting of the Board, September 15, 2003
- Special Meeting of the Board, September 18, 2003
- Special Meeting of the Board, October 13, 2003
- Committee Meeting of the Board, October 13, 2003
- Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, October 13, 2003

WAGE TAX REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 2003	Current Collections	Year to Date	Budgeted 2003-04	Percent of Expected
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Canonsburg Borough	\$14,496.88	\$69,388.66	\$332,455	20.9%
North Strabane Township	31,289.06	174,805.36	1,150,795	15.2%
Cecil Township	23,523.71	130,280.70	1,074,075	12.1%

The motion carried unanimously.

Bills for Ratification and Approval

Mr. Romano made a motion, seconded by Mr. Affinito that the Board ratify and approve the following bills:

For Ratification:

FOR SEPTEMBER, 2003

General Fund	\$4,640,608.91
Athletic Fund	5,774.84

For Approval:

FOR OCTOBER, 2003

General Fund	\$658,033.78
Construction Fund	1,147,199.30

The motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Judge DiSalle stated that he had nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Mr. Arista gave a report on the Alternative School. Mr. Yorke stated that there are 513 students at the Western Area Career and Technology Center.

Student Representatives Report

The student representatives reported that the Homecoming Dance and Parade were a huge success and that the football team has added a positive attitude for the high school this year. They also stated that the dedication of the high school went very well on October 19th.

Citizens Speak

The following citizens addressed the Board:

Lisa Selker	Cecil	Class Size
Tom Zombek	166 McConnell Road, Canonsburg	Class Size

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Revision of Class Size Policy

Mr. Romano made a motion, seconded by Mr. Arista that the class size policy be revised to a maximum of 28 students for fourth grade.

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On a roll call vote the motion failed with Mr. Arista, Mr. Yorke, Mr. Fullgraf and Mr. Romano voting aye and Mr. Pintar, Ms. Link, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Affinito and Mr. Pihakis voting nay.

Mr. Fullgraf left the meeting at this point.

Resignations

Ms. Arista made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bowman that the Board accept the following resignations:

1. the resignation of Stephanie Miller from her Special Education teaching position at the Canon-McMillan High School for other employment, effective date of acceptance of the resignation within the next 60 days upon the Superintendent finding an adequate replacement.
2. terminate the employment of Fred Rolek from his position as bus driver, effective September 22, 2003, and terminate the employment of Andrew Druga from his position as an 8-hour custodian, effective September 29, 2003.
3. the resignation of Shari O'Rourke from her position as a special education aide at Cecil Elementary, effective October 6, 2003.
4. the following extra-curricular resignations:

Jonathan Miller	Weightroom Co-supervisor, effective 9/11/03
Chris LaSalvia	Weightroom Co-supervisor, effective 9/5/03
Dave Day	Dean at Canonsburg Middle School, effective 9/30/03
Heather Anderson	Assistant Varsity Swim Coach Girls'

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

Mr. Affinito made a motion, seconded by Mr. Romano that the Board approve the following appointments:

1. hire the following professional Personnel at the contracted rate, effective October 21, 2003:

Sandra Cavanaugh	Technology Education Teacher
Gabriella Miller	Elementary Librarian
2. hire Edward Bishop and Jack Pettit as full time bus drivers, effective October 21, 2003, at the contracted rate.
3. hire the following as 4 hour custodians at the contracted rate, effective October 21, 2003:

Pam Evans	Cecil Intermediate School
John Oprosky	Canonsburg Middle School

and change Kathy Clutter to head custodian at Hills-Hendersonville Elementary, effective October 21, 2003.

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4. appoint the following as a day to day long term substitute for the first semester of the 2003-04 school year:
Jeff Wybrownski. (Secondary)
5. appoint Jon McCrory as a mentor for Sandra Cavanaugh for the 2003-04 school year.
6. increase the salary of the following aide based on the new aide category:

Jeanne Russo from instructional aide to special education aide at Cecil Elementary
7. approve the following extra-curricular positions at the contracted rate:
Deborah Krebs Key Club Sponsor \$353
Laureen Czemerda Kids for Wish Kids Club Sponsor \$353
Dale Porter Ass't. Middle School Girls' Volleyball Coach \$1,049
Rick Bell Social Studies Department Chair \$900
8. appoint Mike Guenther as a volunteer for middle school volleyball.
9. approve the Addendum to the Professional and Support Staff Substitute List, dated October, 2003-R.

The motion carried unanimously.

Change Orders and Construction Change Directive

Mr. Affinito made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pintar that the Board approve the following change orders for the Cecil Intermediate School project:

1. change order #2 from Volz Environmental for removal and disposal of asbestos containing duct insulation from the kitchen exhaust system at a cost of \$5,850.
2. change order #3 from Volz Environmental for removal and disposal of asbestos above the kitchen exhaust system at a cost of \$2,267.18.
3. change order request #31C from Nello Construction in the amount of \$2,358.32 to relocate existing rain leader to allow clearance for the installation of the recessed concrete slab for the walk-in cooler.
4. change order request #32C from Nello Construction in the amount of \$4,104.24 for replacement of unsuitable subgrade material under the new bituminous parking lot.

and approve the following change orders for North Strabane Intermediate School:

1. change order request #34N from Rycon Construction in the not to exceed amount of \$57,609 to increase the electrical feed size to the heat pumps.
2. change order request #33N from Rycon Construction in the not to exceed amount of \$224,369 to add the pump house and relocate the fire pump and water pressure pumps to this new building.
3. change order request #32N from Rycon Construction at a savings of \$3,075 to

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- delete the bituminous walkway from Borland Manor School to the upper ballfield.
4. change order request #31N from Rycon Construction at a savings of \$1,500 to delete the combination locks on the lockers.
5. change order request #30N from Rycon Construction at a cost of \$2,625 to change color selection for the metal panels from a standard 2-coat system or a 3-coat paint system to provide a better color match with the windows.
6. change order request #28N from Rycon Construction at a cost of \$4,497 to add a grounding system for the main telephone switch.
7. change order request #27N from Rycon Construction at a cost of \$923 to change stairwell light fixtures.

The following construction change directive has been initiated:

1. construction change directive CCD-G11 for Cecil Intermediate School to add data outlets and lights.

The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Approval

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yorke that the Board reappoint Cypher & Cypher for auditing services for the year ending 2003.

The motion carried with all present voting aye, with the exception of Mr. Pintar and Mr. Romano who voted nay.

Request for Tax Relief

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bowman that the Board approve the request from Mark and Linda Engel for tax relief on the property at 233 Alexander Avenue. The structure on the property was demolished on July 21, 2003 and the tax credit for the structure would be \$567.82.

The motion carried unanimously.

Lease Purchase Agreement with Chartiers-Houston School District

Mr. Pintar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Romano that the Board approve the lease purchase agreement with Chartiers-Houston School District for the mobile classrooms.

The motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

The Board recognized the following:
The 2003-04 Homecoming Court consists of Christina Gordon, Chantel Hall, Nikki Nader, Amy Paulick, Ashley Wingard, Matt Popiolkowski, Don Smith, Brendon Steele, Eric Taylor, and Chris Toomey.

The winner of the field day t-shirt design contest at South Central was Zachary Vargo.

At the end of last school year Katie Mazzocco of Cecil Middle School participated in the

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Verizon Win at School Essay Contest. In August, Katie was notified that she was the first place winner. Katie who is currently at Canonsburg Middle School received a computer and a printer.

Information

1. The dedication of the High School is scheduled for October 19, 2003, at 2:00 PM.
2. Guy Montecalvo was honored as WPIAL Coach of the Week at the Steelers/Titans game on September 28. He received a \$1,000 grant from Rhinehold Ice Cream.
3. Mr. Buchleitner met with Borough Manager, Terry Hazlett on Friday to discuss the school crossing guard situation that the borough council is analyzing for the borough budget. Mr. Hazlett is making an impact study of the use, placement and number of crossing guards.

Other

1. Mr. Romano stated that the cafeteria personnel should be commended for the beautiful job they did with the food and especially their presentation overall for the high school dedication.

Adjournment

Mr. Pihakis adjourned the meeting at 7:36 P.M.

Sharon L. Avbel

Secretary