

**MINUTES
CANTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
OCTOBER 10, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Canton Area School District Board of Education was held in the Canton Jr/Sr High School Library on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Our President, Mrs. Judy Sourbeer, called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance, and reminded the audience to please sign in if they had not done so.

All stood and recited the Pledge to the Flag.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Judy Sourbeer, President; Mr. Ryan Allen, Mr. John Ambruch, Mr. Dave DeCristo, Mr. Bill Holland, Mrs. Arica Jennings, Mr. Tom Resavage, and Mr. Denny Sourbeer.

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Amy Martell, Superintendent; Mr. Mark Jannone, Business Manager/Board Secretary; Mr. Michael Wells, Elementary School Principal; Mr. Donald Jacopetti, High School Principal; District Solicitor; Mrs. Amy Repard, Special Education Supervisor; Mrs. Asti Tillotson, Food Service Director; Mrs. Sherry Lambert, newspaper reporter; Mr. Hunter Resavage, Mrs. Sheila Jackson, and Mr. Kevin Baker.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Denny Sourbeer and seconded by Mr. John Ambruch to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2024.

Voice Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

REPORTS

Superintendent

Dr. Amy Martell, Superintendent, reported on the following items:

- It has come to our attention that there is a planned Penelec power outage scheduled for 10/16/2024. If this happens, we will have to use the first "snow day" of the school year.
- Shared information about the LAUNCH! Summer Youth Program.
- Updated the board on the 2024/2025 KCFCA Tab Wars. Dr. Martell also shared information about the KCFCA Scholarship Program.
- Shared details regarding the restoration of the Outdoor Education Pavilion by CHS student Robert Pidcoe, his family, and Troop 33. Completion of this service project allowed Pidcoe to earn the impressive rank of Eagle Scout.

CITIZEN RECOGNITION – AGENDA RELATED

There were no comments.

BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented for September 30, 2024. (A copy is in the supplemental file.)

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the bills for September.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Tax Additions, Exemptions and Exonerations

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the tax additions, exemptions and exonerations.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Transportation Changes

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the transportation changes.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Bid Advertising

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to authorize the Business Office to advertise for the 2024/2025 spring sports bids.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

New Account/Club

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the addition of a new account/club to the Canton Jr/Sr High School Central Treasury in the name of Archery Club.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the Sheltering and Mass Care Location Memorandum of Understanding between the Canton Area School District and River Rock Academy, effective 9/16/24.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Resavage and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the 2024/2025 Unified Champion Schools Memorandum of Understanding between Special Olympics Pennsylvania and Canton Jr/Sr High School for the Unified Champion Schools Bocce Program.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Resignation

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan Allen and seconded by Mr. Denny Sourbeer to accept the resignation of the following employee:

- a. Taran Carlisle, Special Education Teacher, effective October 18, 2024, with 11 months of service to the district.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Retirement

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan Allen and seconded by Mr. Denny Sourbeer to accept the retirement of the following employee:

- a. Wendy Route, 1st grade teacher, effective January 27, 2025, with over 22 years of service to the district.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

List Additions

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan Allen and seconded by Mr. Denny Sourbeer to approve the following additions to the 2024/2025 Co-Curricular Sports/Non-Sports Lists:

- a. Bryan Graham, Assistant Softball Coach, Step 1 \$4,284.00
- b. Caitlin Barr and Mariah Smith, Co-Supervisors Unified Sports Bocce, \$1,000.00 combined

Substitutes

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan Allen and seconded by Mr. Denny Sourbeer to approve the following substitutes, pending completion of all paperwork:

- a. Theresa Jannone, Paraprofessional, retroactive to 9/18/24
- b. Laurie Wesneski, Cafeteria and Paraprofessional, retroactive to 9/23/24

Volunteers

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan Allen and seconded by Mr. Denny Sourbeer to approve the following volunteers (all paperwork is complete):

- a. Brianna Ward, Kindergarten field trips
- b. Brock Kitchen, Girls' Basketball
- c. Abby Wilson, Kindergarten classroom and field trips, retroactive to 9/23/24
- d. Marcie Jennings, Basketball Cheer, retroactive to 9/23/24
- e. Chris Roupp, Girls' Basketball, retroactive to 9/26/24

f. Abby Williams, Basketball, retroactive to 10/4/24

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

FINANCE/POLICY

First Reading

A motion was made by Mr. Denny Sourbeer and seconded by Mrs. Arica Jennings to approve the first reading of the following revised policies:

- a. No. 234 Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students
- b. No. 247 Hazing
- c. No. 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying
- d. No. 252 Dating Violence
- e. No. 317.1 Educator Misconduct
- f. No. 333 Professional Development
- g. No. 336 Personal Necessity Leave
- h. No. 337 Vacation
- i. No. 339 Uncompensated Leave
- j. No. 616 Payment of Bills
- k. No. 807 Opening Exercises/Moment of Silence/Flag Displays
- l. No. 816 District Social Media
- m. No. 824 Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS

Library Reports

A motion was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to approve the first quarter elementary and high school Central Treasury reports.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

October 1 Enrollment

A motion was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to accept the Canton Area School District 10/1 enrollment reported to the state.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Curriculum Revisions

A motion was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to approve the revisions made to the Spanish 1-3 Curriculum Maps.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Youth Cheer

A motion was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to recognize Canton Youth Cheer Program for the purpose of liability insurance inclusion.

Roll Call Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Field Trip

A motion was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to approve the following overnight field trip request:

- a. Randy Frye, Senior High Choir/Drama to New York City, April 24-26, 2025

Voice Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Plan

A motion was made by Mrs. Arica Jennings and seconded by Mr. Ryan Allen to reaffirm the ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan.

Voice Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

CITIZEN RECOGNITION - NON-AGENDA RELATED

There were no comments.

Announcements

The next Board Meeting will be held Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Canton Jr/Sr High School Library, Canton, PA.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Dave DeCristo and seconded by Mr. Bill Holland.

Voice Vote: All eight members present voted yea.
Mrs. Sarah Neely was absent.
Motion carried.

Mrs. Sourbeer adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:25 p.m. on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark S. Jannone
Business Manager/Board Secretary