

TO: District #66 Employees
FROM: Janet Werry, Recording Secretary
DATE: December 19, 2017
RE: Board Summary, December 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

At the regular meeting of the Canton Union School District #66 Board of Education held on Monday, December 18, 2017, the following items took place:

1. The regular meeting of the Canton Union School District #66 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President Leonard Barnard in the boardroom at the Administration Building.
2. Board members present were Leonard Barnard, Ben Bishop, Lori Coleman, Matt Kees, Jane Lewis, Tom Snowman, and Mark Tarter.
3. There were no amendments to the agenda.
4. President Barnard led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was held in memory of Ingersoll Middle School student Charles Montgomery and Canton graduate Cody Krulac.
5. Under Good News Items: 1) Canton High School students and Ingersoll Middle Schools students who participated in the ILMEA All-District Choir and Band were present to be recognized by the Board; 2) CHS highlights – the speech team placed second at the recent Speech Tournament; Madrigals and the winter concerts were a success; Incubator class met their mentors; Brian Duvendack, student representative to the Board of Education, was student of the month; carolers have graced the halls of CHS; 2) New discipline procedures implemented at the middle school have reduced the number of office referrals; The Climate Committee and staff are commended for the successful implementation; 3) Middle school teacher Ashley McKown was awarded a \$500 Make Activities Count (MAC) grant; 4) Elementary Christmas Teas were a success; 5) A new online system for course selection at CHS is on target for the 2018-2019 school year and dual credit classes will be expanded next year; and 6) Coaching staff are dedicated to bringing a new training program to the high school (VOLT strength training and conditioning).
6. Those items approved under the Consent Agenda are:
 - Minutes of the November 20, 2017 regular board meeting
 - Minutes of the November 20, 2017 closed session
 - December Bills and Payroll
 - November Treasurer's Report
 - Medical Leave, Non-Certified Staff Member, Effective December 15, 2016 for approximately two weeks
 - Resignation, Michael Frasier, Volunteer Wrestling Coach, Canton High School, Effective Immediately
 - Approval, Carl Fisher, Volunteer Football Coach, Canton High School, Effective Beginning the 2018-2019 Season
 - Approval, Madi Link, Volunteer Softball Coach, Canton High School, Effective Beginning 2017-2018 Season (*Pending Required Paperwork and Background Check*)
 - Approval, Victoria Roberts, Volunteer Cheerleading Coach, Canton High School, Effective Beginning January 1, 2018 (*Pending Required Paperwork and Background Check*)
 - Approval, Christina McCoy, Volunteer Volleyball Coach, Ingersoll Middle School, Effective 2017-2018 Season
 - Approval, Dennis Owens, Volunteer Volleyball Coach, Ingersoll Middle School, Effective 2017-2018 Season (*Pending Required Paperwork and Background Check*)
 - Authorization for superintendent and finance director to begin FY 19 budget

- Destruction of audio recordings of May 4, May 9, and May 16, 2016 closed sessions
 - Letter of Intent to return to work 2018-2019 school year, Michelle Franzoni
 - Health/Life Safety Amendment for removal and replacement of ceiling tile and lighting fixtures at Ingersoll Middle School
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7. In other business, the Board approved the Certificate of Tax Levy for 2017 and approved the Resolution Authorizing Levy for Leasing Educational Facilities, or Computer Technology, or Both as presented.
 8. The Board approved the Curriculum and Program Updates and Additions for Canton High School, Ingersoll Middle School, and the District 66 Elementary Schools as presented.
 9. Board member Matt Kees was appointed to serve as chairman for selection of a District Auditor.
 10. Board members Jane Lewis and Tom Snowman and Superintendent Rolf Sivertsen joined a Webinar for ProStart, detailing a two-year program for culinary arts in a school setting. The program is aligned to the Illinois Standards.
 11. Elementary Principals Anne Grzanich, Bridgette Dennis, and KiLee Lidwell-McFerren gave a presentation on the Elementary Professional Learning Communities use of Makerspace in the classrooms. The K-4 program, implemented in the District 66 elementary schools, is structured to bring the students into 21st Century Learning and focuses on collaboration, innovation, critical thinking, and problem solving skills. Students use a hands-on approach to creating, building, investigating, and designing. The use of Makerspace is a direct connection to curriculum already in place.
 12. School Social Worker Taylor Smith gave a presentation on Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT), highlighting the objectives, benefits, goals, and objections of implementing a therapy dog in the Canton school setting. The program would be implemented initially for individual students, collecting data on the benefits to students, and expanding based on interest and/or need.
 13. A draft of the Transportation Policy was provided to the Board and will be forwarded to the District's attorney for review. The Policy provides guidance to the Transportation Department and will be brought before the Board for adoption once it is finalized.
 14. Member of the Board Policy Governance Committee will schedule a committee meeting for early in January 2018.
 15. The date of the January 2017 regular meeting of the Board was changed from Wednesday, January 17, 2018 to Monday, January 22, 2018.
 16. Distribution percentages from the Fulton County School Facilities Tax, based on Fall 2017 enrollment figures, were provided to the Board. The CUSD #66 percentage, based on an enrollment of 2493, will be 46.2953%.
 17. Board members entered closed session to discuss matters pertaining to personnel and student discipline. Following closed session, the Board took action to approve an agreement in lieu of expulsion for a student; approved an amended contract for Cheley Martin, Student Services Director; and approved the 2017-2018 evaluation of Superintendent Rolf Sivertsen. Action on the superintendent's contract was tabled to a later date.
 18. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education has been rescheduled to Monday, January 22, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the boardroom.