

Champions of Excellence: Creating a Culture of Achievement, Equity, Inspiration and Joy

March 21, 2024	Canton High School Distance Learning Lab 900 Washington Street Canton, MA 02021	5:15 PM Executive Session 6:00 PM Open Session
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A. Call to Order

- B. Executive Session** (a) Purpose 7 - G.L. c. 30A, section 22 - Approve executive session minutes (3/7/2024) (b) Purpose 3 - to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body, (c) Purpose 4 - to discuss the deployment of security devices or personnel or strategies with respect thereto.

- C. (10 min.) Superintendent Report** Superintendent Folan will present District progress, highlights, and accolades.

- D. (15 min.) Public Hearings** All interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard.

1. **FY25 Budget Public Hearing**: There will be a public hearing on the topic of the School Committee FY25 budget, consistent with the provisions of Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws.
 - a. **FY25 Operating Budget (VOTE)**: Mr. Marshall will present the FY25 Operating Budget for a vote of approval.
2. **Public Hearing On School Choice for the School Year 2024-2025 (VOTE)**: There will be a Public Hearing to withdraw from School Choice for the year 2024-2025 according to Chapter 76, Section 12B, of the Massachusetts General Laws.
 - a. **School Choice (VOTE)**: Superintendent Folan will make the recommendation to have CPS opt out of School Choice for the 2024-2025 school year.

E. New Business

1. **(20 min.) CAPT Recognition**: Members of the School Committee will recognize CAPT Leadership for their ongoing support.
2. **(30 min.) Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)**: Mr. Hughes will review CHS and GMS YRBS data.
3. **(15 min.) Wellness Program Review Update**: Ms. Rooney and Mr. Hughes will share a wellness program review update.
4. **(10 min.) Student Opportunities Act (SOA) Plan Approval (VOTE)**: Ms. Rooney and Superintendent Folan will present the SOA plan for a vote of approval.
5. **(5 min.) Scholarship Approvals**: Superintendent Folan will present one scholarship for a vote of approval and acknowledge the acceptance of another scholarship and provide background information.
 - i. **Timothy Patrick Morrissey Memorial Fund (VOTE)**

ii. **Paul Mitcheroney Memorial Scholarship Follow-Up**

F. Unfinished Business

1. **(15 min.) Policy Section I (2nd Read & VOTE)**: Members of the policy subcommittee will share Section I of the Policy Manual for a 2nd read and vote of approval.

G. (5-30 min.) Public Comment *[We feel it important to remind the public of student confidentiality and all of our obligations to adhere to privacy rules around students. Please remember that these meetings are live-streamed and recorded.]* Click [here](#) to sign up to make a public comment. Public comment allows individuals to express an opinion or share a comment on issues to be discussed on the meeting agenda and/or within the School Committee's authority. It is not an opportunity for discussion or dialogue between individuals and the School Committee or Administration. To respect the time of all participants in the meeting, the totality of individual comments cannot exceed 5 minutes. For more information and guidance on making public comments, please see the CPS policies [here](#).

H. (5 min.) Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Report

I. (5 min.) Consent Agenda *The consent agenda is designed to expedite the District's handling of routine and miscellaneous business. The School Committee may adopt the entire Consent Agenda with one motion. At the request of any committee member, any item(s) may be removed and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion. Note: per Robert's Rules of Order: A member's absence from the meeting for which minutes are being approved does not prevent the member from participating in their correction or approval.*

1. Open Session Minutes: March 7, 2024
2. Warrants: February 23, 2024, March 21, 2024

J. (5 min.) Update of Sub-Committee, Task Force and Liaison Posts *In addition to the core role of governing our schools, the Canton School Committee creates, participates in, and/or designates representatives to help manage issues of particular importance to the school district or town.*

K. Other Business Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

L. Future Business The next Open Session meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2024 @ 6:00 pm.

M. Adjournment *The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting.* **Public Participation**

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