Town of Canton Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of March 16, 2020 Emergency Remote Meeting

A. <u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting of the School Committee is called to order at 5:01 pm. by roll call vote. Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters made by Reuki Schutt. Seconded by Nichola Gallagher It was voted by roll call 5-0.

Kristin Mirliani yea Reuki Schutt yea Nichola Gallagher yea Kristian Merenda yea Maureen Moran yea

- B. <u>Open Session</u>: Despite the best effort, it was not possible to get the technology together for this emergency meeting.
- C. Present via Google Hangouts Meet (video/conference call) are:

Kristin Mirliani - yea Nichola Gallagher - yea Reuki Schutt -yea Maureen Moran -yea Kristian Merenda -yea

Also Present:

Dr. Jennifer Fischer-Mueller, Superintendent Barry Nectow, School Business Administrator Colleen Hutchinson, Recording Secretary

D. Business:

1. COVID-19 Update: Superintendent Fischer-Mueller reviewed the steps taken by the district thus far in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis. School is out of session until April 7, 2020, school lunch will be offered, grab and go style, beginning tomorrow at CHS cafeteria weekdays from 11-1, Chromebooks will be given out to families who signed up for the device beginning Thursday, March 19, educational resources are available to families on the CPS website, a COVID-19 link is on the website with correspondence and reference documents. As of today, the Canton Public Library will be closed as long as the schools are closed and all public buildings in the town will be closed to the public immediately. All school information is available on the Town of Canton website. MIAA has suspended spring sports until April 27, 2020.

Discussion took place about some discrepancies in what the Center for Disease Control (CDC) is suggesting with regard to school closings and what the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is suggesting. The Committee will await the DESE Commissioners guidelines with regard to school closings, MCAS and SAT testing.

The district is continuing to explore how to continue to provide educational resources to students.

The district is researching and working on getting answers to many questions including,

but not limited to: refund deposits for trips that have been canceled or postponed, refunds for rental deposits, payroll for hourly staff and other budget-related expenses.

E. <u>Adjournment</u>: Reuki Schutt motioned to close Open Session at 6:30 pm. Kristian Merenda seconded. It was voted 5-0.

5 yeas

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