

# CANTON PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

Paul Palomba, President

## BUILDING LEADERSHIP REPRESENTATIVE MEETING

March 13, 2023

### I. CALL TO ORDER

President Paul Palomba called the meeting of the Executive Leadership Team and Building Leadership Representative Assembly of the Canton Professional Educators Association to order on March 13, 2023 at 4:31 p.m.

### II. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following ELT members were in attendance:

Randy Bifolchi	Tina Bradley	Allan Brown	Jen Eberle	Darren Furno	Jennifer Henderson
Sharen Lindberg	Andrea McSherry	Brian Mishak	Paul Palomba	Tina Riley	Sandy Rosetta
Greg Soper	Paul Soska	Lynne Watson	Karen Zutali		

The following ELT members were not in attendance (\*Denotes reported excused absence.): \*Cheryl Bissmeyer, \*Karen Brank, Jen Schott, Geneva Parker, Marie Eakin, Tracey Smith

Jo Roten motioned to accept the secretary's report from the meeting. Manny Halkias seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**III. CORRESPONDENCE** – Karen reported out on positive communication received about the Night Out fundraiser.

### IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Darren Furno reported out on the Treasurer's Report for February 2022-2023. On the income side, he noted funds that are separate from dues. For expenses he noted that due to the 28 day month interest is different. He explained technology line expense was due to the vice-president's computer needing replaced. Two computers of \$2600 were purchased, and a monitor, memory card, and two dongles were purchased with the money. Paul Soska made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Rita McMillin seconded the motion. Motion passed. Darren added that the Night Out funds are still being processed and a report will be given out next month.

### V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Nominations from the floor for Executive Leadership Team Positions: President Paul called for nominations from the floor for open positions of vice-president, secretary, PK3 ELT, 4-6 ELT, MS ELT, HS ELT, and Multi-level Resource ELT. Vice-president declared candidate is Lynne Watson by acclamation. Secretary declared candidate is Karen Zutali by acclamation. PK3 ELT declared candidates are Karen Brank, Andrea McSherry, Jennifer Schott by acclamation. 4-6 ELT declared candidate is Julieann Doerschuk by acclamation. MS ELT declared candidate is Brian Mishak by acclamation. HS ELT candidates for two positions are Randy Bifolchi, Greg Soper, and Manny Halkias necessitating a vote. Multi-level Resource candidates are Tracey Smith and Allan Brown for one position necessitating a vote.
2. Professional Development: Labor Management discussed the data regarding members who have not attended PD in 5+ years. Members are already calling off for next year's professional development. Teacher work days are also problematic due to the high absence rate. Paul reminded BLRs of the contracted days with students and days for PD. He discussed how this may affect negotiations. Also discussed was the inconsistency of practices among principals regarding coverage for a last period absence for an appointment.
3. Frontline: Paul discussed using the software to go paperless. Paul and Lynne were told early in the school year that this was primarily for the hourly employees. Discussion followed.
4. Legislative Updates: Paul reported on bills that will be put into the budget to get passed (such as HB 1, charter legislation). He explained the upcoming bond issue.
5. Miscellaneous: Paul thanked Sharen Lindberg and Andrea McSherry for their leadership and organization of the Night Out fundraiser. He thanked all for their contributions to the event.

### VI. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Membership Appreciation Drawing (\$50 Giant Eagle gift certificate): **PK3:** Pamela Warstler, Worley; Barb Stevens, Schreiber **4-6:** Renee Finnicum, Fairmount; Whitney Miller, McGregor **MS:** Kelly Young, Early College; Christopher Aureden, Early College **HS:** May Alayamini, McKinley Main; Patricia Wohlfarth, McKinley Main
2. Special Education: Next meeting will be for elementary on April 11, 2023 at 4:30 and for secondary April 13, 2023 at 3:30 at CPEA.
3. My Learning Plan: Lynne reported on the meeting held March 9, 2023 which Karen Zutali attended as co-chair of LPDC. Discussion followed regarding the transition.

### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. GRIEVANCE – Lynne reported that there are no Grievances at this time.
2. MEMBERSHIP – Sandy Rosetta reported we have members 727 and 25 nonmembers.
3. LEGISLATIVE – Greg gave an overview of current activity and encouraged BLRs to attend lobby day on March 28, 2023.
4. NEGOTIATIONS – no report
5. SCHOLARSHIP – Sharen reported that the scholarship applications have been sent to the HS and are due middle of April. Night Out future educator scholarship applications will be sent out Paul added that the first generation African American Scholarship to be named after a career teacher.
6. PUBLIC RELATIONS/WEBSITE– no report
7. TEACHER WELFARE – no report
8. CONSTITUTION/ELECTIONS – Jen Eberle reported on the elections to be held for CPEA NEA delegates, HS ELT, and Multi-level Resource ELT which will be held electronically March 28-31, 2023. Discussion followed regarding voting for the Multi-level Resource position.
9. PACE – no report
10. LPDC/INSERVICE – no report
11. BUILDING AND FACILITIES – Paul reported that the monies approved at the last meeting will cover the expenses for repairs to the CPEA building. Discussion followed.
12. MAC COMMITTEE – no report
13. AUDIT COMMITTEE – no report
14. RETIREES – Sandy Rosetta reported
15. ECOEA – Julieann reported there will be a new executive team next year. (Paul Palomba announced that Julieann Doerschuk is its new president.) STEAMM and Cedar won \$500 grant. Spring RA is April 29, 2023 at Stark State.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

**X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Third Grade Reading Guarantee: A member asked about holding students back if they do not make the score. Discussion followed.

- XI. ADJOURNMENT:** Jennifer Henderson motioned to adjourn. Tina Bradley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Zutali  
CPEA Secretary