

CANTON PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

Paul Palomba, President

BUILDING LEADERSHIP REPRESENTATIVE MEETING

November 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 November 13, 2023 at 4:15 p.m.

II. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following ELT members were in attendance:

Randy Bifulchi	Cheryl Bissmeyer	Karen Brank	Jen Eberle	Darren Furno
Manny Halkias	Jennifer Henderson	Sharen Lindberg	Andrea McSherry	Brian Mishak
Paul Palomba	Geneva Parker	Tina Riley	Sandy Rosetta	Jen Schott
Paul Soska	Lynne Watson	Karen Zutali		

The following ELT members were not in attendance (*Denotes reported excused absence.): Tina Bradley, Julieann Doerschuk, *Marci Eakin, Tracey Smith

Gretchen Bagley motioned to accept the secretary's report from the October 2023 meeting. Ruth Allison seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. CORRESPONDENCE – A thank you from Emily Sargeant was received for the tuition reimbursement check.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Darren Furno reported out on the Treasurer's Report for November 2022-2023. For income he reported out on monies received for September and October. He announced funds received for the service agreement with OEA have increased due to increased CPEA membership. He discussed the Ellen Schlabaugh fund that CPEA holds as custodian and the need. For expenses he explained that tuition reimbursement is over budget due to awarding all applications and that money from the president's discretionary fund will be moved to cover the extra awards. He noted the increase of almost \$1000 for the property insurance. Discussion followed. Line 53200 amount was discussed. The amount reflects the scholarship money being returned by the school because the student did not attend. Paul Soska made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Randy Bifulchi seconded the motion. Motion passed.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Collaborative Planning Time: Paul discussed that negotiations may center on TBT vs CPT time. (Academics first not discipline.) Talk about discipline during CPT. He implored that teachers invite principals and other personnel such as counselors to CPT to discuss discipline and let him know what are the principals doing. Discussion followed.
2. Operation Christmas Sunshine: Paul shared that BLRs will be getting a list of families in need to be adopted for the holiday.
3. Updates & Miscellaneous: BOE election winners are Kim Brown and Myra Watkins. Paul Palomba would like to speak to the Board to recognize Eric Resnick for his service.

VI. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Membership Appreciation Drawing (\$50 Giant Eagle Gift Card): **PK3:** Georgia Crawl, Gibbs; Michael DeComo IV, Harter **4-6:** Carla Yutzy, BVA; Chloe Messner, Youtz **MS:** Maria Emmons, ECM; Maria Chambers, STEAMM **HS:** Andrew Paconi, McKinley Main; Timothy Smith, McKinley Main
2. "Helped with Membership" Drawing: Sandy Rosetta drew 30 BLR names who received \$10 helping with the membership drive.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. GRIEVANCE – Lynne reported that there are no Grievances at this time.
2. MEMBERSHIP – Sandy Rosetta reported we have members 717 and 16 nonmembers (7 work at parochial schools).
3. LEGISLATIVE – Paul Palomba reported on the new Department of Education and Workforce which the governor has appointed Steve Dackin as director who had ethic charges because as a state board member he sought and served in the position of state superintendent. Finally, Paul spoke about a new value added model for state report cards and how it might affect teachers.
4. NEGOTIATIONS – no report
5. SCHOLARSHIP – Jennifer Henderson would like to set up a time to meet with the committee.
6. PUBLIC RELATIONS/WEBSITE– Cheryl Bissmeyer reported that the shirts have been ordered and will arrive close to Thanksgiving.
7. TEACHER WELFARE – Jennifer Henderson reported on the new teacher dinner may possibly be held in January.

8. CONSTITUTION/ELECTIONS – Jennifer Eberle announced the constitution vote will be December 4-11, 2023. She presented a brief overview of questions asked regarding some revisions. Discussion followed.
9. PACE – no report
10. LPDC/INSERVICE – no report
11. RETIRED – no report
12. UNISERV – no report
13. BUILDING AND FACILITIES – Paul reported the basement continues to be renovated.
14. MAC COMMITTEE – no report
15. AUDIT COMMITTEE – The committee will meet December 4, 2023.
16. ECOEA: – no report

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- X. **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:** A member asked about the calendar for the listening tour since there have been several cancellations. A member asked about the effectiveness of the listening tours and the accountability of administrators. Discussion ensued. Members discussed the growing of EL students in the HS and the barriers to education caused by administrative decisions.
- XI. **ADJOURNMENT:** Heather motioned to adjourn. Everyone seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Zutali
CPEA Secretary