

CANTON PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

Paul Palomba, President

BUILDING LEADERSHIP REPRESENTATIVE MEETING

December 11, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Paul Palomba called the meeting of the Building Leadership Representative Assembly of the Canton Professional Educators Association to order on December 11, 2023 at 4:10 p.m.

II. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following ELT members were in attendance:

Cheryl Bissmeyer	Marci Eakin	Darren Furno	Manny Halkias	Jennifer Henderson
Brian Mishak	Paul Palomba	Geneva Parker	Andrea McSherry	Sandy Rosetta
Paul Soska	Lynne Watson	Karen Zutali		

The following ELT members were not in attendance (*Denotes reported excused absence.): * Karen Brank, * Sharen Lindberg, * Tina Riley, * Jen Schott, * Tina Bradley, * Julieann Doerschuk, * Jen Eberle, * Randy Bifulchi, * Tracey Smith

Gretchen Bagley motioned to accept the secretary's report from the November meeting. Amanda Gillespie seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. CORRESPONDENCE – No report

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Darren Furno reported out on the Treasurer's Report for December 2022-2023. On the income side, he noted that the line 1000 November number approximates the usual monthly remuneration. The Collaborative Fund Raffle resulted in raising \$1950. He reported the bond purchased last year is doing well. On the expense side, he noted that the special projects expense of \$4600 includes the price for the members' shirts. Dan Woods made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Manny Halkias seconded the motion. Motion passed.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Negotiations: Paul reminded all that this is a negotiations year. He discussed evaluations and asked for information on evaluations being mismanaged. Discussion followed.
2. Operation Christmas Sunshine: We still have 4 families that need sponsored. All four families were immediately adopted by BLRs present.
3. Updates & Miscellaneous: Paul explained Canton City Schools belongs to the Ohio 8 Coalition. On Friday, December 15, Tyler Hester, consultant regarding teacher burnout. CPEA need 3 teachers to attend this meeting. Secondly, Paul discussed vouchers are available to families of 4 who earn less than \$135,000. Families who are already paying for private education are using the vouchers which has increased state spending to a billion. Finally, he mentioned listening tours are going well. Several tours still need rescheduled. Discussion followed about tours.

VI. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Membership Appreciation Drawing (\$50 Bell Stores Gas Card): **PK3:** Tauja Love, Harter; Kyra Stephens, AIM **4-6:** Andrea McSherry, Patrick; Lisa Norris, Heritage **MS:** Cory Nist, STEAMM; Danielle Turner, Crenshaw **HS:** Mark Rodgers, McKinley Main; Tammy Unrue, Passages

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. GRIEVANCE – Lynne reported that there are no Grievances at this time.
2. MEMBERSHIP – Sandy Rosetta reported we have 719 members and 15 nonmembers.
3. LEGISLATIVE – Paul reported the main focus is on charters and being accountable and transparent with their finances.
4. NEGOTIATIONS – Paul reported the team will meet Monday, December 18, 2023 to review the survey results. Lynne, Paul, Randy, Darren, Amy Kiss, Karen Brank, and Jen Schott are the negotiations team.
5. SCHOLARSHIP – Will meet Monday, December 18, 2023 at the high school. Karen Brank has talked to the Ellen Schlabaugh scholarship committee, and they have agreed to a one time scholarship of \$3500
6. PUBLIC RELATIONS/WEBSITE– Jennifer Henderson reported on the new teacher (50) dinner potentially being held February 15, 2024 place to be determined.
7. TEACHER WELFARE – Cheryl reported that the shirts are separated according to building with a color coded spreadsheet. Please double check shirt sizes for members. Discussion followed.
8. CONSTITUTION/ELECTIONS – Paul spoke about voting for the constitution revision. CPEA membership ratifies it, and OEA then checks it for alignment to OEA/NEA.

9. PACE – no report
10. LPDC/INSERVICE – no report
11. RETIRED – Sandy Rosetta reported
12. UNISERV – no report
13. BUILDING AND FACILITIES – Still working on cleaning out things in the basement.
14. MAC COMMITTEE – no report
15. AUDIT COMMITTEE – no report
16. ECOEA – no report

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

- IX. NEW BUSINESS:** Jennifer Henderson discussed having a fun day at Dave and Busters on February 15, 2024 at a cost of \$2900 for 40 people. Amanda Gillespie discussed having new chairs for the BLR meeting. Discussion followed.
- X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Question regarding the BLT wanting more data tracking and testing, teachers can decline. Yes.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT:** Mary Imhof motioned to adjourn. Marcie Eakin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Zutali
CPEA Secretary