

**CANTON PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION**  
Paul Palomba, President

**BUILDING LEADERSHIP REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
7 March 2016

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Building Leadership Representative Assembly (BLR) of the Canton Professional Educators' Association was called to order by the President, Paul Palomba, on March 7, 2016 at 4:15pm.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The following ELT members were in attendance:

Randy Bifolchi	Darren Furno	Bobbie Grimm	David Kliem
Michelle Martin Jones	Tamika Moss	Paul Palomba	Geneva Parker
Yvonne Parks	Tina Riley	Leslie Roteck	Sandy Rosetta
Patricia Scheetz	David Schmidt	Jennifer Schott	Greg Soper
Dennis Stroud	Mary Vretas	Lynne Watson	Kathryn Wengerd
Karen Zutali			

The following ELT members were not in attendance:

Patricia Tercek*	Tonya McKay *	John Huntsman*	Cheryl Bissmeyer*
*denotes excused absence			

Randy Bifolchi made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 11, 2016 BLR meeting with a correction. Jen Eberle seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion passed.

**II. CORRESPONDENCE** no correspondence

**III. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Bobbie Grimm shared the Treasurer's Report for March 2016. Bobbie reported \$119 was made from the 50/50 drawing from last month's meetings. Office Supplies expenses were a little high due to needing color ink. CPEA has sponsored the banquet for Canton Scholars in the past, but this year we are using our donation to help with bus services for Canton Scholar field trips. David Schmidt made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for March 2016. Rita McMillen seconded the motion.

**IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Paul Palomba had Tina Riley speak to the BLRs about the FCPE. Building Reps were presented with FCPE forms. The FCPE forms cannot go in mailboxes, Building reps need to have a brief meeting to pass out the information. Questions can be answered by contacting Tina Riley or Linda in the office. This money is used by OEA lobbyists to help get issues that are important to education in the legislature.

NEA Representative Assembly (RA) Election – There are 3 CPEA members running for NEA RA: Tamika Moss, Michelle Martin Jones and Geneva Parker. The NEA RA will be held in Washington DC in July. The ballot boxes will be in each building. CPEA members may vote for 3 candidates from the 5 that are on the ballot. Michelle Martin Jones spoke about the impact of sending representatives to the National convention. Tamika Moss made a motion CPEA members sign to receive their ballots. Patricia Scheetz seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed. Sandy Rosetta suggested that next year those members that attended Rep Assembly should be able to give a brief talk about what was discussed at the RA.

Paul asked for nominations from the floor for the open ELT Positions of President and Treasurer. Since there were no nominations from the floor and both positions are unopposed, Paul Palomba will be reelected CPEA President for 2016-2018 and Bobbie Grimm will be reelected CPEA Treasurer for 2016-2018.

Running for the 2 open Grades Pre-K-2 ELT positions for 2016-2018 are: Tina Riley, Sharen Lindberg and Karen Brank. Geneva Parker removed her name from the Pre-K-2 position. Since three people are running for the two positions there will be an election for these positions.

Running for the 2 open Grades 3-5 ELT positions for 2016-2018 are: Tamika Moss and Kathryn Wengerd. There were no nominations from the floor. Since two people are running for the two positions there will not need to be an election for these positions.

Running for the 2 open ELT positions at Middle School for 2016-2018 are: Karen Zutali, Michelle Martin Jones and Traci Cottrell. Since three people are running for the two positions there will be an election for these positions.

Running for the 2 open ELT positions at High School for 2016-2018 are: Greg Soper and Cheryl Bissmyer and a nomination from the floor, Bryan Sheppard. Since three people are running for the two positions there will be an election for these positions.

Running for the 1 open ELT position at Multi-Level for 2016-2018 are: Patricia Scheetz and a nomination from the floor, April Chenault-McCleod. Since two people are running for the one position there will be an election for this position.

Paul gave kudos to all of those that attended the BOE meeting on Feb. 8, 2016.

Paul gave a Negotiations Update: The initial dates were March 10 to exchange proposals, meeting on March 11 to ask clarifying questions, then meeting on March 14, 15 and 16. Table Talks will go out each day of negotiations with the first one sent out on Friday, March 12. Remind 101 and personal emails will also be used to spread the word about what is going on during negotiations. CPEA's negotiation's package is complete and ready for Administration to get it on Thursday, March 10.

Paul reminded BLRs the Spring Banquet is May 10. Teacher of the Year nominations and Layperson of the Year nominations are each due by March 28. One nomination has been submitted for the Community Partner.

**V. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Vice President Lynne Watson reported the following CPEA members names were drawn in the monthly drawing and received \$50 cash prizes:

Pre-K-2: Mary Hawthorne (Dueber) Heather Copeland (Schreiber)

3 – 5: Marc East (Cedar) Susan Craig (Youtz)

Middle School: Patricia Lobritz (Lehman) Karen Zutali (Lehman)

High School: Kyra Moore (McKinley) Theresa Singer (McKinley Freshman Academy) Congratulations to all the winners

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. GRIEVANCE – Lynne Watson updated the BLRs on the following grievances:

Grievance #1 – Article 17 Leave of Absence

Grievance #5 – Article 3 Grievance Procedures and Article 5 Job Security

Grievance #1 and #5 are from the same member. This went to Step III but was withdrawn per the member.

Grievance #4 – Article 5 Job Security was settled

2. MEMBERSHIP – no report

3. LEGISLATIVE –no report

4. NEGOTIATIONS – no report

5. SCHOLARSHIP –For the 50/50 Drawing we made \$92 and the winner will take home \$46. Congratulations Elisha Conrad for winning the 50/50.

6. PUBLIC RELATIONS – no report

7. TEACHER WELFARE –no report

8. PROGRAM –no report

9. CONSTITUTION/ELECTIONS –no report.

10. PACE – no report.

11. BUDGET/FINANCE –no report

12. LPDC/INSERVICE – no report.

13. CPEA RETIRED – no report

14. UNISERV – no report.

15. BUILDING & FACILITIES –CPEA is planning to have an art teacher and her students help to beautify the front of the building.

16. MAC COMMITTEE –Reminder all baskets are due by Thursday, March 10. One Communiqué has been sent out to all of our members. It was also sent to over 400 community members. The goal of the Communiqué is to get out positive information about the great things CPEA does. The next MAC meeting is Thursday, March 10 at 4:00pm.

17. CARE TEAM – no report

18. AUDIT COMMITTEE – no report

19. TECHNOLOGY – no report

**VII. NEW BUSINESS** – There was discussion about the survey that was recently completed in many buildings about Standards Based Instruction. They are calling them walk-about and BLT members are completing the survey. They are compiling the data to see what professional development might be needed in the future.

2016 – 2017 Calendar – The calendar cannot be set up until after negotiations is complete.

Bobbie Grimm thanked the Building Reps for continuing to re-elect her for another term.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT** –Dee Weber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tish Scheetz seconded the motion. Paul Palomba adjourned the ELT meeting at 5:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia Tercek  
CPEA Secretary  
based on the notes taken by Sharen Lindberg  
Building Rep