



Torrington Board of Education

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SUPERINTENDENT

Budget Committee Special Meeting

Monday, June 15, 2015

355 Migeon Avenue

MINUTES

Members Present: Fiona Cappabianca, Committee Chair; Jeremy Hinman; Daniel Thibault

Also Present: Board of Education: Ellen Hoehne, John Kissko, Bill Knight, Jim Lamoin, Kenneth P. Traub (7:14 p.m. by phone)

Administration: David Bascetta (7:15 p.m.), Cheryl F. Klockzo, Hugh Potter
Others: Michael Kavanaugh, Board of Education Clerk

1. Call to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call
3. End of fiscal year 2014-15 projections:
 - a. Mr. Potter reviewed projections with spreadsheet projected on screen.
 - b. Mr. Potter asked advice regarding a 2009 study ordered by then Interim Superintendent Ed Arum regarding City funds earmarked to cover via reimbursement excess and unforeseen Special Education costs for tuition and transportation. Ms. Cappabianca expressed concern that it was a bit late in the year as the City deadline was May 15, but that the Board could still go to the City, and that next year perhaps a request could go in early regarding the students who are known about at that time.
 - c. Memo to the city from the Chair of the Board of Education dated June 13, 2015 asking for a transfer of capital budget funds in the amount of \$245,500 to be transferred to the operating budget was discussed. How that amount was arrived at was in question as the projections report was not clear. Mr. Bascetta joined the meeting by phone and shortly after in person, and Mr. Traub was called and joined the meeting by phone. The breakdown was explained as \$37,000 for the boiler at Vogel-Wetmore, \$25,000 for ADA THS parking lot improvements, 114,550 for THS softball field, and 55,000 for IT capital, with a difference of \$13,950 as a result of working with round numbers.
4. Mr. Thibault asked about a \$316,000 bill received by the Board of Education from the City having to do with a custodial pension plan. Mr. Potter said he had spoken with the City regarding that bill and that the Board will only be responsible to pay \$85,000.
5. Proposed budgetary line-item transfers:

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- a. Mr. Potter inquired about the benefits of such a transfer and suggested waiting until June numbers can be assessed before making any requests. Ms. Cappabianca suggested for the sake of discussion that moving a percentage now rather than waiting would be another option. After discussion a strawpoll was held it was decided that votes on requests would wait until July.
6. Comments for the Good of the Order – None.
7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Thibault and seconded by Mr. Hinman. Motion carried all in favor.
8. Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Submitted by Hugh W. Potter