



Torrington Public Schools

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Special Meeting of the Budget Committee – Public Hearing Thursday, March 30, 2017, 6:30PM THS Media Center – 50 Major Besse Drive

Minutes

Committee Members: Ken Traub (Chair), Peter Vegaro, Joanne Brogis, Dan Thibault (alt)
Other Board Members Present: Fiona Cappabianca, Ellen Hoehne, Jessica Richardson, Bill Knight, Wendy Pataky, Armand Maniccia
Teacher representative: Jason Lafreniere
Administration: Denise Clemons, Dave Bascetta, Jerry Domanico, Sue Lubomski, Joe Campolieta, LeTanya Lawrence

1. Call to Order - 6:40pm
2. Roll Call
3. Public/Staff Participation
1 members of the public spoke regarding the budget
4. Discussion of the Proposed Budget for 2017-2018
Discussion of the proposed 2017-2018 budget continued. The committee discussed the reductions proposed by the Administration in order to get to a zero (0) percent budget. Discussion included the possibility of closing East School versus Veogel-Wetmore. Most agreed that in order to get to zero, it would involve closing a school. There was also discussion of RTI (Response to Intervention) versus WRICA (Writing and Reading In the Content Area) and the district's plans for 2017-2018, the closing of Migeon Ave and the effects to the expulsion program, and the proposed IT positions for next year. The committee asked about the Title grants and our other grants and requested information on what positions are included in the grants. Committee also discussed the possibility of the Board approaching each union to discuss possible salary relief for next year.
4. Motion was made to move the budget to the full board along with the requested grant information and the prioritized itemized list of cuts to zero percent. Motion was made by Mr. Thibault, seconded by Mr. Vergaro. All in favor.
5. Adjournment - 7:45pm. Motion made by Mr. Thibault, seconded by Mr. Vergaro. All in favor.