

Torrington Public Schools

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SBAC Ad-Hoc Committee Special Meeting Wednesday, November 13, 2019, 6:00PM Migeon Avenue

Minutes

- 1. Call to Order: 6:00 PM
- 2. Roll Call: John Kissko, Cathy Todor, Ellen Hoehne, Jessica Richardson, Armand Maniccia, Gary Eucalitto, Fiona Cappabianca
- 3. Approval of Agenda: Ms. Cappabianca made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Mr. Maniccia. All in favor.
- 4. Public Participation: None
- 5. "Roundtable" Discussion:
 - SBAC Scores: How To Understand Them and What We Are Doing to Improve Them Mr. Kissko presented a slide show which documented some of the major legislative shifts that have impacted public education over the years. Discussion centered on the challenges facing public education today, the impact of the adoption of the CT Core Standards, and Smarter Balanced Assessment. Student attendance, behavior/discipline, and social/emotional factors were noted to be challenges. The group discussed how the Board of Education can come to better understand the needs and corresponding allocation of resources.
- 6. Schedule for Future Meetings December 9, 2019 at 6:00PM. The meeting will be devoted to Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and how it supports academic achievement. Restorative Practices will be defined and the way it's being applied in TPS will be explained.
- 7. Comments for the Good of the Order: None
- 8. Adjournment: Mr. Maniccia made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Ms. Todor. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.