



Torrington Public Schools

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School Improvement Committee Meeting Wednesday, January 2, 2019, 6:00 P. M. 355 Migeon Avenue

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 6:00pm
2. Roll Call: Board: Mr. Kissko, Ellen Hoehne, Jessica Richardson, Cathleen Todor, Fiona Cappabianca, Gary Eucalitto
Administrators: Sue Lubomski, Sue Fergusson, Andrew Skarzynski, Robin Ledversis
Teacher Representative: Veronica Gelormino
Public: Donna Labbe, Ruth Bruno – Rep-Am
3. Approval of Agenda: Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Ms. Todor. All in favor.
4. Approval of Minutes: Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Ms. Todor. All in favor.
5. Public Participation: None
6. Discussion and Next Steps:
 - a. Communications – Working on updates to website.
 - b. Governance – have not yet met this month.
 - c. NEASC update – The administration is working to prepare and are now in the planning stages of working with staff, parents, and students to greet the 16 member team in May.
 - d. Status of Board Goals, Strategic Plan: All are progressing as they continue to work toward making communications more user friendly and unifying schools.
 - e. Legislative Liaisons – There are still opportunities for Board members to volunteer for these roles.
 - f. New Course Proposals:
 1. Soldering – Kent Scientific has been working with the schools to create an introductory course which will give our students the skill set to work in technology/manufacturing in our region.
 2. STEAM – Is being developed with the assistance of current staff to blend the fine arts with problem solving. Labeled STEAM, the object is to guide students to be design thinkers.

These minutes have been approved by the Torrington Board of Education on February 26, 2019.

- g. School Lunch Program – Becky Tyrell attended to discuss the particulars of school lunches/breakfasts and how the program is structured. Ideas were proposed about streamlining how breakfast is served.
 - h. THS Parking Lot solutions – Ideas were presented for possible solutions to alleviate the parking lot issues. THS staff are working to address the concerns.
 - i. Distinguished Alumnus Process – A date was set to send out nomination requests and a deadline was set for their return.
7. Comments for the Good of the Order – Happy New Year & reminder of the University Club
8. Topics for Future Meetings:
 - a. Communications
 - b. NEASC
 - c. New Course Proposals
 - d. School Lunch/Breakfast
 - e. THS Parking Lot
 - f. Distinguished Alumnus
 - g. Cell Phones in Class
9. Adjournment: Ms. Todor made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Ms. Richardson. Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.
10. Next Meeting: February 6th, Forbes School Media Center, 6PM