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School Improvement Committee Meeting Wednesday, March 6, 2019, 6:00PM Migeon Avenue

Draft Minutes

1. Call to Order: 6:10PM
2. Roll Call:
Board Members: Mr. Kissko (chair), Ms. Hoehne, Ms. Richardson
BOE Members in Attendance: Mr. Eucalitto
Teacher Representative: Ms. Gelormino
Administration and Staff: Ms. Lubomski, Ms. Fergusson, Ms. Schulte, Ms. Ledversis, Ms. Labbe
3. Approval of Agenda: Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Ms. Hoehne. All in favor.
4. Approval of Minutes: Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Ms. Hoehne. All in favor.
5. Public Participation: None
6. Discussion and Next Steps:
 - a. Communications: The After School CIAO Program at TMS was featured by Keisha Grant on WNBC;
Joe Furey visited Torrington to present a Weather Lesson.
Suggestions: District Calendar with every school's information;
Cleaning up and updating old, previous, and outdated information
 - b. Survey Data:
 1. 6th-7th grade very informative regarding the number of students who are uncertain as to where they are attending high school; by 8th grade, students know where they want to go. There is a need to market the THS offerings to our TMS students in 6th and 7th grade.
 2. Arts ranked high on Pathways list.
 3. Various reasons for why students are not choosing THS. Work on marketing the programs TPS has.
 - c. State Assessments: Next Generation Accountability Report: Monitoring growth measures and achievement; Students still may be making growth, regardless of where they started at the beginning of the year.

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- d. New Course: Introduction to Coding: Class taught by Sarah Coolidge; no extra cost; should have high interest: Focus on Java, Python, programming skills
 - e. Status of 2018-2019 Board Goals, Legislative Liaisons – Mr. Kissko will contact Craig Minor
 - f. Discussion of Board Goals- No suggestions, except to work toward not being designated an Alliance District. Mr. Kissko requested Board Members submit suggestions.
 - g. Distinguished Alumnus Nominations- Confidential matter – to be chosen at next meeting
7. Comments for the Good of the Order: March 21, 22, 23: “Bye, Bye Birdie” at TMS; Ms. Gelormino says she is very excited to get help from THS and TMS staff and students.
 8. Topics for Future Meetings: same as this month
 9. Adjournment: Ms. Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Ms. Hoehne. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:05PM.