



**TORRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 6:30 PM
THS Media Center, 50 Major Besse Drive**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: 6:30PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call:
Roll Call: Ms. Cappabianca, Mr. Corey, Mr. Eucalitto, Ms. Hoehne, Mr. Kissko, Mr. Maniccia, Ms. Richardson, Ms. Spino, Ms. Todor
Administrators Present: Mr. Bascetta, Ms. Lubomski, Ms. Perzan, Ms. Schulte
Board Members Absent: Mr. Arum, Ms. Fergusson, Mr. Thibault
4. Approval of Agenda: Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor.
5. Moment of Silence was held for Mike Conway – Teacher in school system and a former Board Member. He will be missed by facility, family and student of the Torrington School district.
6. Recognitions: Ms. Lubomski and the Chair presented certificates to various students and faculty members.
7. School/Community Service/Public Participation: None
8. Executive Session Discussion Regarding a Legal Matter: Mr. Kissko made a motion to go into executive session discussion regarding a legal matter inviting in Sue Lubomski, Charlie McSpirit, Joanne Creedon, Attorneys Nicole Dorman and Thomas Gerarde, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor.
The board entered executive session at 6:45PM.
The board returned to open session at 7:33PM.
9. Executive Session Discussion Regarding a Legal Matter – Ms. Hoehne made a motion to go into executive session discussion regarding a legal matter inviting in Attorney Johanna Zelman, Sue Lubomski and Kim Schulte, second by Mr. Kissko. All in favor.
The board entered executive session at 7:34PM.
The board returned to open session at 8:04PM.
10. Executive Session Discussion Regarding a Legal Matter: Mr. Kissko made a motion to go into executive session discussion regarding a legal matter inviting in Sue Lubomski and Corrine Waterworth, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor.
The board entered executive session at 8:04PM.
The board returned to open session at 8:43PM.
11. Information Sharing Session:
 - A. Superintendent's Report- Ms. Lubomski reported that we have so many outstanding community supporter. We received money for the sound system for THS and transportation for the All State Conference from Rodery club. Ed advance granted us \$1,500.00 in scholarships for graduating seniors.
 - B. District Calendar-2019/2020- Ms. Lubomski presented the calendar. There was discussion on it: Mr. Eucalitto stated that it would be good if we could present two years' worth of calendars and the second year would be a draft. Ms. Lubomski will bring in 2020/2021 draft calendar next meeting.

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- C. Monthly Financials- Mr. Maniccia reported on the financials and that we have some deficits that we are working through and we will be discussing them further in March.
 - D. Course Proposal – Intro to Sports Medicine – being proposed by an Athletic Trainer and students will be able to do a lot of hands on in this class
 - E. Policy #7010- Use of School Facilities – Discussed in Policy. This is Shipman’s policy that was brought forward to us which was more comprehensive and up to date.
 - F. Policy #6170- Child Sexual Abuse and Assault Policy and Reporting Procedure – needed update so we adopted Shipman’s policy.
 - G. Policy#7025 – School Volunteers, Student Interns and Other Non-Employees – policy we didn’t have and we needed it.
 - H. Field Trip: Presented in the packet.
12. Committee Reports:
- A. Policy Committee: Ms. Hoehne reported that they have been working hard going through all the policies and up next is the Parking Permit.
 - B. School Improvement Committee: Mr. Kissko reported that next week they will work on Board Goals and Distinguished Alumnus Award.
 - C. Budget Committee: Mr. Maniccia reported that they talked about and the time card system called Executime. They also set some meetings for 2019/20 budget.
 - D. Personnel Committee: Ms. Spino reported that they have been talking about substitute fill rates, teacher absence. Next month they will discuss Board Evaluation.
 - E. Grievance Committee: None.
 - F. Ed-Advance: Mr. Kissko reported that Rose Forzano is the Human Resource Director there. They are trying to buy the main street school in Plymouth for 1\$ million.
- 8:56PM – Mr. Maniccia made a motion to extend the meeting to 9:05PM, second by Ms. Todor. Opposed: Ms. Spino and Mr. Kissko. Motion carries. Meeting extended to 9:05PM.
- G. Curriculum Committee: Ms. Lubomski reported that Ms. Fergusson had a very productive meeting with the curriculum director
 - H. Secondary Ad-Hoc Committee: The meetings will resume in March.
 - I. School Liaison Reports:
 - Southwest – Ms. Spino reported that they went to see The Lion King at the Warner Theater.
 - THS – Ms. Richardson reported that the students participated in the program with the 3rd graders. Some upcoming events are the winter play, boys’ basketball game and boys swim team meet.
 - Forbes – Ms. Todor reported that they continue to have monthly community assemblies and that the PTO had a successful sweetheart dance.
 - TMS – Mr. Maniccia reported that the JROTC visited TMS. The Student Faculty Basketball game raised 200 dollars. The play Bye Bye Birdie will be performed in March and parent conferences are coming up.
 - Vogel Wetmore- Ms. Hoehne reported that they had a sweetheart dance. They recognized “eaglenets” during their morning announcements.
 - Torrington – Ms. Cappabianca reported that they reached over 400 positive referrals. The 3rd grade teachers collaborated with drama students and Torrington library and THS library for a Mystery quest.
13. Action Items:
- A. Monthly Financials - Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the monthly financials, second by Ms. Spino. All in favor.

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- A. District Calendar 2019/2020 – Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the calendar, second by Mr. Corey. All in favor.

9:04PM – Mr. Kissko made a motion to extend the meeting to 9:08PM, second by Mr. Maniccia. Opposed: Mr. Kissko. Motion carries. Meeting extended to 9:08PM.

- B. Policy #7010- Use of School Facilities – Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the policy with changes, second by Mr. Kissko. All in favor.
- C. Policy #6170- Child Sexual Abuse and Assault Policy and Reporting Procedure – Ms. Hoehne made a motion to approve the policy, second by Mr. Kissko. All in favor.
- D. Policy#7025 – School Volunteers, Student Interns And Other Non-Employees – Ms. Hoehne made a motion to approve the policy, second by Ms. Todor. All in favor.
- E. The Forbes Roof Replacement Project, State #143-0069RR has reached substantial completion. The Building Committee of said project is asking The Torrington Board of Education to close the project at this time.
Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve this request, second by Ms. Spino. All in favor.
- F. The Forbes Solar Project, State # 143-0070EC has reached substantial completion. The Building Committee of said project is asking The Torrington Board of Education to close the project at this time.
Ms. Spino made a motion to approve this request, second by Mr. Corey. All in favor.
- G. Approval of Board of Education Meeting Minutes: January 23, 2019: Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Mr. Maniccia. All in favor.
- H. Receive Subcommittee Minutes: Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Ms. Richardson. All in favor.
- i. School Improvement Committee – January 2, 2019
 - ii. Policy Committee – January 2, 2019
 - iii. Secondary Ad-Hoc Committee – January 10, 2019
- I. Consent Agenda: Appointments & Resignations – Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, second by Ms. Todor. All in favor.

14. Comments for the Good of the Order: None

15. Items for Upcoming Agenda

- A. Monthly Financials

16. Future Meetings:

Friday, March 1, 2019 (Migeon Ave.)

4:30 p.m. – BOE Special Meeting – Discussion on Confidential Student Matter

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Monday, March 4, 2019 (THS)

6:00 p.m. – Special Budget Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 2019 (at Migeon Ave.)

6:00 p.m. – School Improvement and Community Relations Committee

7:00 p.m. – Policy Committee

Monday, March 11, 2019 (Vogel Wetmore School)

6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing Re: Budget 2019/2020

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 (at Migeon Ave.)

6:30 p.m. – Personnel Committee

7:00 p.m. – Budget Committee

Thursday, March 14, 2019 (THS)

6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing Re: Budget 2019/2020

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 (THS)

6:00 p.m. – Special Budget Meeting

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Wednesday, March 27, 2019 (THS)

6:30 p.m. – Regular Board of Education Meeting

17. Adjournment – Ms. Spino made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Ms. Richardson. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:07PM.