



Torrington Board of Education

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School Improvement and Community Relations Committee Regular Meeting Wednesday, May 04, 2016 355 Migeon Avenue

MINUTES

Members Present: Jessica Richardson, Committee Chair; Jim Lamoin, Armand Maniccia, Joanne Brogis (alternate)

Also Present: Board of Education: Ellen Hoehne, Daniel Thibault, Peter Vergaro

Administration: Susan M. Lubomski, Assistant Superintendent

1. Ms. Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Roll Call was taken.
3. Mr. Lamoin made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Maniccia seconded the motion. All in favor.
4. Mr. Lamoin moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 2, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. Maniccia. All in favor.
5. **Public/ Staff Participation**

Mr. Battle discussed his desire to see Torrington students participate in the classical language celebrations similar to ones they have in other towns.

- i. Focus on recognition of student achievement
- ii. Concerns about leveling classes

Ms. Lubomski highlighted the Model UN experience for 10th graders, mentored by juniors and seniors and the STEAM Carnival attended by elementary and middle school families, supported by teachers and high school students, coordinated by Ms. Ledversis.

Information Sharing

- a. School Governance Report

Mr. Lamoin reported. Concerns about leveling of classes and physical plant-bathrooms were discussed. Water leaks were addressed at the high school during April vacation. All bathrooms to be fixed by May 6th.

- i. School Clean Day: adopt a bathroom; adopt an area to keep clean. Mr. Marchand and Mr. Harrison are working on this effort.
 - ii. Mr. Bascetta has budgeted for maintenance and painting districtwide but especially for the high school.
 - b. Distinguished Alumnus
Ms. Richardson is waiting to hear back from the recipient to see if he can attend Scholarship Night on June 2nd at 6:30p.m.
 - c. Website
Final Site will be extended for another year. An RFP will be worked on at the beginning of the next school year. Mr. Domanico will be working on this contract.
 - i. Bristol and Bloomfield also use Final Site
 - ii. Explore other websites
 - iii. Website changes requested; pictures updated. Ms. Lubomski will follow up with this
 - iv. Site secretaries will continue to update their websites
- 6. Old Business**
Continue to work on good news about THS and community image
- 7. New Business**
Class leveling and NEASC evaluation visit
- 8. Comments for the Good of the Order**
Mr. Vergaro questioned if there was a way for donations to be made for supplies to each school? PTOs to help with funding? Explore other ways to get supplies and support students during lean economic times.
Ms. Richardson requested that any topics be sent to her by June 1st for next month's meeting.
- 9. Topics for Future Meetings**
 - a. Website
 - b. THS Physical plant/building
- 10. Next meeting-** Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
- 11. Adjournment**
Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lamoin and seconded by Mr. Maniccia. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned 6:52 p.m.