



Torrington Public Schools

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Budget Committee Meeting Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 7:00PM 355 Migeon Ave.

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 7:54 P.M.
2. Roll Call: Mr. Maniccia, Mr. Eucalitto, Ms. Fappiano, Mr. Corey (Remote), Mr. Lafreniere (Teacher Representative)
Also Present: Ms. Cappabianca (Remote), Ms. Depretis, Ms. Richardson, Ms. Hoehne, Mr. Kissko, (Remote), Ms. Lubomski, Ms. Fergusson, Ms. Schulte, Ms. Klimaszewski, Mr. Arum, Mr. Barlow, Ms. Herold
3. Approval of Agenda: Ms. Fappiano made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor.
4. Approval of Minutes: Ms. Fappiano made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor.
5. Public Participation: None
6. Discussion/Next Steps:
 - a. Monthly Financials: Mr. Arum reviewed all the budget documents. Currently, we have a surplus. We should have an additional surplus in electricity and gas. Even though we were up in transportation this month, we are below in special education transportation and regular transportation.
 - b. COVID-19 Expenses: We received the second payment last Friday. The 1st payment received was \$574,451.17 and 2nd payment we just received was \$20,875.35. We should receive one or two more payments.
 - c. Budget Update: Ms. Lubomski will present the superintendent's proposed budget next Wednesday. A big impact on the budget is the graduation requirements which increased from 22 to 25.
 - d. ESSER II – Cares Act II Funds – The district will be getting \$2.9 million State-level priorities:
 - Academic Supports, Learning Loss, Learning Acceleration and Recovery

These minutes were approved by the Torrington Board of Education on March 24, 2021.

- Family and Community Connection
- School Safety and Social-Emotional Well-being of the “Whole Student” and of our School Staff
- Remote Learning, Staff Development, and the Digital Divide

We are very fortunate to still have the Alliance funding in addition to the Cares Act II funds. Ms. Lubomski gave some examples of her plans to use these funds to help with the learning gaps.

- e. Retirement Incentive: Same proposal as last year. Ms. Schulte reached out to the collective bargaining units and they are in favor of the board offering the retirement incentive again. This would be the 3rd year the board has implemented this. It has been proven to be successful. Ms. Schulte will draft the retirement incentive with 2 years and 3 years and the full board will decide.
7. Comments for the Good of the Order: None
 8. Topics for Future Meetings
 - a. Monthly Financials
 - b. Covid-19
 - c. ESSER II – Cares Act II Funds
 - d. Budget
 9. Adjournment: Ms. Fappiano made a motion to approve the adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Eucalitto. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.