

Torrington Public Schools

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TPS Secondary Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting Thursday, June 20, 2019, 5:30 PM 355 Migeon Ave

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order 5:38 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call: Ed Arum, Dave Bascetta, Fiona Cappabianca, Ellen Hoehne, John Kissko, Donna Labbe, Jason Lafreniere, Robin Ledversis, Mario Longobucco, Sandy Mangan, Peter Michelson, Bryan Olkowski, Kim Petzel, Kathi Peterson, and Jeff Putnam.
- 3. Vo-Ag Placement The amount of students for out of district placement in agriculture education programs was explained. Torrington is only required to send 5 students to Region 7 for the 2019-20 school year based on historical data. Region 7 did not follow state statute and accepted more than Torrington's minimum requirement to send. Parents have been notified.
- 4. A motion for approval to amend the agenda to include item #4 Approval of the Minutes was made by Ms. Hoehne, second by Ms. Cappabianca, All in Favor.
- 5. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Kissko made a motion to approve the May 23rd Ad Hoc meeting minutes; second by Ms. Hoehne with two abstention by Mr. Lafreniere and Mr. Olkowski. All in Favor.
- 6. Architect Process and Update The building committee has selected a bid. The bid packet will be presented to the BOE June 26 at the regular meeting. If BOE approves, a feasibility study will begin with a January goal completion time line followed by an April 20, 2020 referendum. A state grant construction application would need to go in by June 30, 2020. The state would decide in Dec. 2020.
- 7. T-Shirts Raiders Advertising Recruitment, Ideas? A recommendation to have the same color common mascot T-Shirts (Raiders) for K-12 students and staff with the "T" logo was made to provide free of charge. Grant funding and sponsorship was mentioned as ideas to resource this effort. It was noted that for games, elementary students enter for free (under 10); over 10 is \$3. An online Raider apparel store was recommended. Mr. Putnam will explore. Impact on the booster club was an area the group wanted to research. It was recommended to explore signage for fencing as well. Unaccompanied students were discussed and how to ensure safety and good behavior during games. Having a fence located behind stands closest to the school was one idea on how to address this issue. Concession stand finances and processes were also an area to research. A suggestion to reach out to the athletic director & PTO's was made on the impact of T-shirt sales. Research on grant funding for T-shirts was mentioned with regards to Litchfield school system. Ms. Labbe will explore.
- 8. Discussion N/A

9. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lafreniere, second by Ms. Mangan. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 15, 2019 5:30 p.m.