

THOMPSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thompson Middle School Media Center Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 11, 2019

7:00 PM

Attending Members:
William Witkowski
Shawn Brissette
Jody Houghton
Linda Jarmolowicz
Kathleen Herbert
Valentine Iamartino
Thomas Angelo

Absent Members:
Donna Godzik
Joseph Lindley

Also in attendance:

Melinda Smith, Megan Baker, Noveline Beltram, William Birch, Christopher Jones, Robert Gentes, Steve Knowlton, Ian Polun, members of the public.

I. Call to Order

William Witkowski called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance

John Rice led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Citizens' Comments

None.

IV. Committee Update

None.

V. Educational Up-Date

A. Student Spotlight – Cole Coderre introduced Olivia Cunha as the TMHS Student Spotlight of the Month of February.

Aa. Student Liaison Report

Upcoming Events:

- March 11th HS Parent Player Coaches HS Gym 7:00 pm
- March 13th Student Leadership Day (in-service)
- March 15th Student Faculty Basketball Game 6:00 pm
- March 26th HS Grades Close (3rd Quarter)
- March 27th ECC Leadership Conference Niantic 9:30 am
- April 2nd Hartford College Fair for Juniors
- April 5 (7:00pm), 6 (7:00pm), and 7 (2:00pm) -Wizard of Oz- \$10 adults/ \$5 seniors and students
- April 10: 2019 Eastern CT Student Leader Summit 9:00-1:30
- April 10: Integrity Plus Night 6:00 Ryscavage Auditorium

B. Superintendent Update

- Enrollment Update - The March 2019 student enrollment is at 975.

- FY 19 Budget Update – Robert Gentes gave an update on the 2018-2019 budget and grants. Discussion was held.
- Excess Cost/Special Education Budget - Melinda Smith stated that she sent a letter to the Town Finance Department requesting that the Town credit the BOE funds received from Excess Cost Grant Program per Section 10-76g(b) of the CT General Statutes. A response should be given back to her by April 5th.
- QMC Partnership Discussion – Melinda Smith gave an update on the partnership with Quinebaug Middle College. Discussion was held regarding opting out of the partnership. More information is needed before an opt out decision can be made.
- Administrator Reports - The administrators provided updates on events occurring in their schools or departments.

I. Action Items. Consideration of Approving...

A. Agriculture Consulting Committee Liaison Appointment

Motion by Jody Houghton, seconded by Thomas Angelo, to appoint Danielle Lefebvre as the Board liaison for the Regional Vocational Agriculture Consulting Committee for a three-year term.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

B. Regular Meeting, February 11, 2019

Motion by Kathleen Herbert, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 11, 2019

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

C. Oil Tank Plan Approval

Motion by, Shawn Brissette, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to accept the final plan and cost estimate for the oil tank removal.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

D. QMC Partnership Continuation Approval

Tabled to the April meeting.

II. Correspondence

- A. A letter from Laura Fournier was read which thanked the Board for recognizing her at the last meeting regarding her recent CMEA All-State accomplishment.

III. Old Business

None.

IV. Citizens Comments

None.

V. Adjournment

Motion by Linda Jarmolowicz, seconded by Thomas Angelo, to adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,
Danielle Pederson
Recording Secretary to the Board

Minutes Approved: