

SYSTEM-WIDE PARENT TEACHERS ADVISORY COUNCIL
TEMPORARY BOE OFFICES, 100 SOUTH TURNPIKE RD
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016
MINUTES

Attendance: Tammy Raccio (HES/ SHS), Christina Wilsonski (ST/PH), Peter Angelastro (Y/H), Linda Winters, Beth Raccio (SH), Rob Kovi, Laurie Esposito, Cindy Lavalette, Mike Votto, Lt. Demaio, Bryan Rivard (CH) Dr. Menzo

1. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2016- approved
3. Bus Camera Update - # of Cameras, # of Citations, Status of Pilots, etc. (L. Winters/Redflex)
 - Linda Winters reviewed the data
 - Lt. Demaio reviewed the violations and why some would not be ticketed
 - Reviewed some of the footage of the violations from Redflex
 - Some routes will be reviewed in the spring, but all of the routes will be reviewed by the fall
 - Request will be made to Redflex to review routes where data was not collected initially
4. Next Steps Student/School Photographer Contracts (Linda Winters)
 - Waiting for bids to come back
 - Email Linda Winters (lwinters@wallingfordschools.org) to volunteer to review the bids
 - Linda reviewed the criteria that the team developed for the 2 part bid
5. Middle School Maker Space Presentation
 - Sal introduced the team and concept
 - Rob, Kate, and Laurie presented the design cycle, Pre-K-12 curriculum overview
 - MakerSpace conference May 6, in Wallingford, collaborating with MakerBot and Office Depot
 - Lean manufacturing process being shared with staff groups to improve efficiency
6. BOE and Cafeteria Budget Updates for 16-17 (Dr. Menzo)
 - Meetings April 7th and April 19th at 6pm at Town Hall
 - RFP is out, held pre-bid meeting last week
 - 2 students, 2 parents, 3 administrators, Sharon Drossopolous, and Linda Winters will score and interview on April 6
 - Scores will be sent to Town purchasing
 - Should have a recommendation to the BOE by April
 - Have a substitute director while Sharlene Wong is out on leave, has instituted some successful changes
 - Lines are moving faster due to student pictures being loaded into POS and cafeteria workers selecting whole meal
 - Field trip procedure for ordering boxed lunches has been streamlined

- Budget meeting, initial meeting with Mayor
7. Distribution of State school performance reports
 - Overall as a district 79.7%
 - Areas of concern are achievement gap and gap between graduation cohort
 - Some data was provided by the district, some was from standardized assessments
 - SAT data will be used going forward
 8. Parent Choice Awards (Chappell/Raccio)- tabled
 9. Other Sub Committee Updates
 - Dress Code Committee Meeting (3/29/16, 5:15pm, BOE Offices)
 - Prom Pledge- proms are in May, working on increasing meaningfulness of prom pledge, working with SADD advisors at both schools, shared sample poster, students also sign a banner that will be hung at the prom, working with community organizations to increase prom pledges, Cheryl Wolansky and Beth Raccio were interviewed by Wallingford magazine, street banner by MYB closer to prom date, several items have been donated to give out as a drawing, such as prom tickets, the dinner, senior portrait, manicures, flowers for juniors. For seniors, limo rental, hairstyle, manicures, flowers.
 10. School Based PTAC Roundtable
 - PPS PTAC- Sensory Friendly concerts and shows
 - Ask school PTACs to review Parent Checklists for final meetings this year
 - Pond Hill/ Stevens rumors about changes in STEP, no changes planned at this time, will be a BOE discussion about the criteria, STEP teacher will work with whole classes in addition to identified students, STEP teachers will also work on developing a curriculum
 11. Last SW PTAC Meeting May 17, 2016 (April 19th Meeting is a budget night at Town Hall)
 12. Adjournment- 8:40pm