

Greenwich Public Schools
SST Steering Committee Meeting Notes
December 11, 2015 --REVISED

Attendance: Janice Domiziano, Sophie Dowling, Valerie Erde, Diane Chiapetta-Fox, Mary-Stuart Freydberg, Jim Healy, Tom Healy, Gus Lindine, Rick Piotrkowski, Gene Schmidt, Bob Stacy, Carol Sutton, Bobby Walker, Jr., Chris Winters, Cynthia Womack and Bill McKersie

General Points of Discussion:

1. Cynthia Womack introduced Jim Healy, a new member of committee. Jim is a parent of a senior and an 8th grader. He has joined the Transportation Subcommittee.
2. Approved revised meeting notes from November 12, 2015.
3. Requested revisions to meeting notes from November 30, 2015:
 - a. Stress Study Recommendation: add a middle school administrator *or middle school health professional* to this subcommittee.
 - b. Online Survey Comments: Mary-Stuart Freydberg asked if comments from the online survey last spring and the online forum in the fall *could* be released to the public.
 - c. Carol Sutton suggested subcommittees hold their meetings *during* the regularly scheduled SST steering committee meetings *whenever possible*.
4. Cynthia Womack presented revised timeline. Stress Study Subcommittee has been removed as this work is now being done by GHS.
5. Transportation Subcommittee:
 - a. Has met with two proposers for the Transportation Study. Will make a final decision before the holidays on which consultant to hire.
 - b. Dr. McKersie reminded subcommittee that the consultant will need to look at effects on private school busing.
6. Stakeholder Subcommittee:
 - a. Agreed that purpose of this committee is to inform and update the public on where the steering committee is in the process.
 - b. Will work with transportation consultant to devise a plan for public outreach.
7. Discussed whether to sponsor Dr. Charles Czeisler, a sleep researcher at Harvard, to speak to the public on the benefits of adequate sleep for athletes and students. Committee decided this is not in our purview. Mission of SST Committee is not to educate about sleep science but to inform on the logistics of possible later school start times. Suggested PTA Council or the GHS Athletic Department consider asking him to speak. Sophie Dowling will consult with PTA Council to see if they would sponsor Dr. Czeisler.
8. Outcomes Research Subcommittee:

- a. Hanover Research will do summative research on SST. This subcommittee will work on questions for them. Plan to begin working with them in late January.
- 9. Stakeholder Subcommittee:
 - a. Recommended that we make public the comments from all surveys and online forums. Will redact personal information before posting publicly.

Next Meeting: January 5, 2016, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm, Staff Development Room