Minutes

- **By Law Review**
  - **Purpose**
    - Provide oversight for decision making
    - Combine parents, school and community
    - 5 teachers, 2 community leaders, 1 principal, 7 parents/guardians, 2 students
      - Need additional community member
      - Parent co-chair needed
  - Whole district meeting requirements in addition to the calendar
  - 3 absences will result in termination of position

- **Last year’s initiatives**
  - **Library**
    - 2 new library media specialists
      - Each is teaching one section of Freshman Seminar
    - Open space design
    - New furniture
    - More modern
    - 72” computer monitor-smartboard like
    - 4 screens ordered for laptop connections if needed.
    - Communication to students
      - Outreach from LMS to different programs (i.e. ROTC)
    - More teachers are starting to use Learning Commons
    - Can come early and stay late
  - **Campus Cleanup**
    - 10/20
      - PTA
    - Campus cleanup
    - Encompasses weeding and cleaning
    - Fall and Spring clean up
  - **Bottle fillers**
    - Turns colors based on servings not on quality of water
    - 4 total now
      - Music
      - Café
      - Science Hallway
      - CGS Hallway
    - Around $60 per filter
      - Proactive instead of reactive
  - **School Store**
    - Slowly languishing
    - Entrepreneurship class may be taking over
      - Only open 2B during the class (two classes at the same time)
- **Dress Code**
  - CYL involvement with parents
  - Students are working on dress code template

- **Brainstorm areas of focus for this year**
  - **Facilities**
    - Short/term long term fixes
    - Maintenance
    - Student/staff health
    - Leaking roof
    - IAQ
      - (Indoor air quality)
    - UCONN Health is coming Friday, 9/28
  - **Marine Pathway**
    - 50k donation
    - Aquaponics, hydroponics, marine science base, marine landscaping
    - Prepare for industry standards
      - Business or shipping aspect
      - Awareness
    - CT Maritime coming beginning of October
    - Could be certifications involved
    - Partnership with NPS and community
    - Taking over auto body shop room
  - **Drama Program**
    - Storage problem
    - Pool with neighboring towns (Darien for now)
      - Database
    - Stagger plays with various districts so not all plays are on the same weekend
    - Storage POD? Or offsite storage
  - **Bathroom Quality**
    - Doors don’t lock
    - Seats crack
    - Both male and female bathrooms need fixing

- **Community outreach**
  - Tap parent resources (not money)
    - Resources for student (i.e. construction, finance, auto body, etc.)

- **RANSACK**
  - Name change
    - Honors Society comes up with a new name
  - Change it to during school
  - Hasn’t started yet
  - Teacher/student working during Math/Writing Lab in Instruction Support
    - Move to Learning Commons
- Comprehensive School Survey
  - Almost everything fell in the “good enough range”
  - Safety and security dropped slightly
  - Parent involvement on the survey is not high enough
  - Too long of a survey
- Cell phone policy
  - Relief felt by students
  - Going well
  - Positive feedback
- Misc-
  - November meeting can be for all staff and parents per By-laws
  - YDP and Honors Society work together
  - Invite Honors Society officers to October meeting
    - Tutoring
  - CYL invited to October meeting
    - Dress code
  - Monitor progress since CAPT has ended