

To: Holmdel Township Board of Education

From: Chair, Building, Grounds, & Safety Committee

RE: May 18, 2015 Notes

Attending: Mr. Sockol (chair), Mr. Hammer, Ms. Kline, Mr. Reddy, and Mr. Petrizzo. Also in attendance Lt. Cannata and Det. Kret of the Holmdel Police Department.

The Building, Grounds, & Safety Committee met on May 18 to discuss the following matters:

1. The Committee discussed security options with Lt. Keith Cannata and Det. Andrew Kret. We sought information regarding the cost of police officers on site for the month of June, options for further “hardening” our facilities (as part of our existing security strategy), and the potential hiring of a Security Resource Officer for the District in the coming school year. The SRO is seen as a potential asset for intelligence gathering by the police department for several activities, such as drug interdiction and suicide prevention. The Committee also asked the Police Department to explore an increased patrol presence during the month of June.
2. The Committee reviewed the proposed bus schedule and agreed that administration has done its best to create a workable bus schedule based upon new proposed start times for the 2015-16 school year. Because of the interlocking nature of the bus routes, the District would need to adjust the high school schedule first, before a five minute reduction could be achieved in the lower school day end times.
3. The Committee instructed Mr. Petrizzo to investigate which referendum dates would allow us to ask voters to either fund an SRO or an additional bus route, if the District so desired to seek funding above the cap. We are also seeking more information about deadlines for submitting questions before the voters.
4. The Committee is recommending that the board approve the submission of the grant application for the NJSIG MOCSSIF Subfund 2015 Safety Grant Program in the amount of \$4,132. Monies from the program have been previously used to purchase cameras and walkie-talkies.

The next meeting of the Building, Grounds, & Safety Committee will take place on June 19 at 12 noon in the central office.

Sincerely,

Mike Sockol  
Chairman, Building, Grounds and Safety Committee