

September 7, 2017

PARENT SRO INFORMATION MEETING

1. MAX BERKOWITZ

Sentiment: Keep the SRO; the question is a “non-issue”

A. Rationale

- i. The SRO is more than a security person; s/he is a member of the teaching and school community; SRO is an educator
- ii. Woodbridge community is an affluent one; SRO is a valuable asset to the school
- iii. Response time in emergency situations is important

2. PATRICK (SCHOOL COUNSELOR)

Sentiment: SRO should be a good “fit” for BRS not just a filler

A. Rationale

- i. SRO plays many roles
- ii. SRO seems as a friendly and accessible protector of our children

3. KIM ROWLAND

Sentiment: Parents need to understand variables in decision

A. Rationale

- i. SRO is an employee of the Police Department but is paid for by BRS
- ii. SRO used to be paid for by Police Department
- iii. In FY2018, SRO costs assumed by Woodbridge Town
- iv. Attempt to understand possibilities for negotiation with Police a Department— is it all or nothing

NEXT STEPS

1. *Survey*
 - a. *Provide information on types of security*
 - b. *Inquire if parents would contribute or fundraise to support deficit*
 - c. *Provide examples of other schools perhaps to gauge comfort levels*

