

Ad Hoc SRO Committee Meeting on 10-12-17

Attendees: Frank Cappiello, Lynn Piascyk, Margaret Hamilton, Patrick Reed, Maria Madonick, Peter Halsey, Bob Gilbert, Gina Prisco, Judy Silva, Sandy Stein, and parents: Max Berkewitz

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Public Comment: none

Survey responses reviewed:

- Total of 279 responses received
- 62 (out of 120) staff responses
- 217 (out of 1013 EMAILs) parent responses
- Survey questions and comments reviewed.

Discussion took place regarding security personnel needs.

Recommendation from the committee is as follows:

1. Continue current SRO position – active duty Woodbridge police officer
2. Continue SRO coverage as is during school year and summer programs – with summer programs covering summer cost (approximately \$28,000 of total cost).
3. Discuss with town any “shared” funding under the category of “community policing” given that if Beecher did NOT employ the SRO, coverage for the school would be provided by the police department at a very different level, but still would apply.

We will schedule the next meeting via email to briefly discuss giving parents and staff survey feedback and committee’s recommendation

Public Comment: Max Berkewitz added his agreement with supporting the SRO, and asked that educational components of the position be reviewed and enhanced.

Meeting ended at 9:15pm