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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7, 2019

The Operations Committee met on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 in Room 36 at the Board of Education Administration Building, 129 Church Street, Bristol.

Present: Committee Chair Karen Hintz, Jeff Caggiano, Tom O'Brien, and Karen Vibert

Also Present: Jill Browne, Timothy Callahan, Dr. Catherine Carbone, Dr. Michael Dietter, Pete Fusco, Robert Puzio, and Chris Wilson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Karen Hintz.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 15, 2019 MEETING

A motion made by Commissioner Jeff Caggiano and seconded by Commissioner Tom O'Brien, it was voted to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2019.

3. APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF THE PLAYGROUND AT MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL

Mountain View School won the "Colgate Playground Challenge" affording the school \$55,000.00 in playground equipment. This is for materials only and does not include any prep work or installation of the playground. The Mayor has pledged \$150,000.00 to the Board of Education to be used for maintenance and upgrades to the playgrounds at Mountain View, Hubbell, South Side, and Stafford schools. The excavation, installation, and ground cover at Mountain View School will cost approximately \$40,000.00.

On a motion by Commissioner Tom O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Jeff Caggiano, it was voted to approve, moving forward with the site work and installation of the playground at Mountain View School once the specifications have been approved by H.D Segur.

4. DISCUSSION OF PHOTOVOLTAICS AS PART OF THE STAFFORD SCHOOL ROOF PROJECT

Timothy Callahan presented to the committee the information that was learned during the Stafford School Roof Committee meeting. Photovoltaics are now reimbursed by the state with the roof project. To add the solar panels and inverter to the project, it was estimated to cost \$430,000.00. The breakdown is \$400,000.00 for the materials and install and \$30,000.00 for engineering fees. The reimbursement rate is approximately 64%. With the reimbursement, it is estimated to add the solar to the project, it would cost the city approximately \$155,000.00.

Chairperson Hintz pointed out that because this is not under a Power Performance Agreement (PPA), the City of Bristol will receive the full benefit of the solar panels.

A question arose regarding the cost to repair/replace the parts at 20 – 25 years versus the 30-year warranty. Currently, the architect is working on a life cycle cost analysis.

On a motion by Commissioner Jeff Caggiano and seconded by Commissioner Tom O'Brien, it was voted to approve to include the photovoltaics as part of the Stafford School Roof project based on the schematic estimate and contingent upon a successful lifecycle cost analysis.

5. DISCUSSION OF GOOGLE MIGRATION AND STUDENT DATA PRIVACY

Rob Puzio discussed all of the steps the Board of Education technology department and Google have in place for student data privacy. He gave an overview of the CT Student Data Privacy Act and the BOE Policy. He stated what security and compliance measures are being taken on behalf of Google and the BOE IT department. His presentation is on file in Room 24 at the Board of Education central office.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There was no other business to come before the committee. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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