

3.28.16 Building Grounds Safety Security Subcommittee meeting minutes

In attendance:

Dr. Scarpetti, Dr. Russo, Mike Luzzi, Mary Jo Sierakowski, Chantelle Bunnell, Jeffrey Cap, Susan Riccio, Deanna Pucillo, Christian Young

7:35 pm call to order

Mr. Luzzi addressed the school district's landscaping/beautification plan and introduced Jeanine Capecelatro's written proposal to the Board in the form of a printed hand-out.

Ms. Capecelatro's proposal contemplated the district's parent-teacher organizations' appropriation of the BOE's budgeted funds (\$7,875) for school beautification for the ptos' application, management, and oversight of the administration and use of those funds for the maintenance and improvement of the school grounds. Ms. Capecelatro's proposal also included her request for an increase in the BOE "beautification budget" to bring the total budget to \$8,000.

Mr. Luzzi also referenced the idea of a "beautification contest" to which local groundskeeping/landscaping companies could submit proposals as to how they would apply $\frac{1}{4}$ of the "beautification funds" to each of the four schools and the winners would be awarded the jobs.

It was generally discussed that the town currently pays for the maintenance of the school grounds and how any maintenance (as opposed to beautification) concerns could be brought to the town for consideration before re-allocating and/or transferring beautification funds for maintenance.

The question of apportioning BOE budgeted funds to a pto or ptos was also discussed, and, a question raised as to whether all ptos would want the responsibility of administering and overseeing a suggestion such as Ms. Capecelatro's in the event that any such delegation of BOE funds was appropriate or feasible.

Dr. Scarpetti then addressed the CAFE webinar regarding Fairfield School District's October, 2015, security incident and insights and lessons to be derived therefrom. Chief Gagne, Marshal Smith, Dr. Scarpetti, and Mr. Luzzi have reviewed the webinar and are actively discussing and planning further cooperative events and exercises to maximize our school district's and our town agencies' preparedness for addressing emergency situations.

Adjourned 8:00 pm