

Special Board of Education Meeting

Monday, September 26, 2016

Attendees:

Chantell Bunnell, Betty Hadlock, Ken Ziman, Susan Riccio, Kim Browe, Jeff Cap, Christian Young, Bill Kraut, Mara Saccente

Also Present: Dr. Vince Scarpetti, Mary-Jo Sierakowski, Mike Luzzi, Matt Ullring

Meeting called to order at 6:12 PM

Presentations for VoIP

Brief discussions on the two companies presenting and the thought process behind eliminating a third company.

Paul Dow, Frontier's account manager led the discussion.

The proposal for 4 school and BOE as well as the network side - 196 phones.

The proposal will include an upgrade to increase bandwidth to at each school all run back through the BOE.

Work can be done after hours and it will take 6 to 7 weeks for the wiring.

They will provide 20 minute training on the phones and 1 year warranty.

3 years software assurance on servers.

One technician does the work from the lines to the phone installation.

What is response time for customer service. Out of service within 2 hours. Routine maintenance is about a day.

They can make recommendations on phone security protocols

Proposal would provide for individual lines and voicemail for all teachers.

Brought Avaya phones for Board to see.

Motion cancel buildings and grounds meeting at 7:15 PM

Chantelle, Sue second, unanimous.

We officially switched to solar.

Motion at 7:15 PM by C. Bunnell and seconded by S. Riccio to cancel the Building and Grounds meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

Janet O'Connell - Total Communications

Voice mail will be transferred to email in a wave file with one of the options but not both proposals.

Work would be done after school hours.

Wiring will still need to be done by a third party vendor. They provide the phone system.

Licensing is the way to control features and costs.

They have remote monitoring. Two hour response time.

Have fully manned help desk from 8-5, offer on call person at all times (24-7)

4 weeks once cabling has been installed.

They would train an administrative assistant to program the systems.

Brought Cisco brand phones for Board to see.

Board would like an estimate on annual license cost which was not provided at the meeting.

The Board wanted to hear from Whalley with a proposal.

The Board expects a new internal audit of all the phones needed as well as a map of phones and drops. Also check into the need for conference phones or lines.

Motion at 8:15 PM by J. Capp and seconded by K. Browe to cancel the curriculum meeting.

Those voting affirmatively: Chantell Bunnell, Betty Hadlock, Ken Ziman, Susan Riccio, Kim Browe, Jeff Capp Bill Kraut

Opposed: Mara

Motion passed.

Motion to approve the 5th grade RBS out of state field trip 10/19 and the PPS out of state field trip on 10/21 to old Sturbridge Village. Motion by S. Riccio and second by C. Bunnell.

Discussion took place on the need for these trips to be requested further in advance. These are annual trips and known well in advance. Point of order that all schools should be going on the same field trips. The request for the PPS 6th grade Newport trip will not be brought up for a vote at this time. Board members wanted to know the education purpose of the trip.

Motion to approve the two trips was unanimous.

The chairman invited Dr. Scarpetti to join the executive session at 8:46 PM.

Motion to enter executive session S. Riccio and seconded by and J. Capp.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Came out of Executive session 9:40 PM

Motion to adjourn S. Riccio second by K. Ziman at 9:41 PM

Motion was approved unanimously.