

TOLLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Finance and Facilities Committee
Board of Education
Conference Room**

**MEETING MINUTES
November 7, 2016 7:00 PM**

Members Present: Patrick Doyle, Jeff Schroeder; Colleen Yudichak
Staff Present: Dr. Walter Willett
Called to order at 7:10 PM

1. Review Constable Arrangement

Dr. Willett provided an update on his outreach to lawyers and insurance providers as requested by the Board of Education at the October 25, 2016. In speaking with CIMRA (the provider of Tolland's liability insurance) he reported that the Town and Board of Education are on the same policy which covers the constables when they are in service to our schools or town and carries a \$1,000 deductible per event.

The committee asked questions regarding what might cause Constables to be called out of schools and how often that is likely to occur. Dr. Willett reported that having a constable called out of school would need to be extraordinary case—and would be very unusual. However, he notes, as the Good Samaritan Law requires of anyone, if constables pass a crime in progress they are obliged to assist. In either case Dr. Willett learned from discussion with the insurance provider, that liabilities for actions constables take outside of their BOE role is handled by whatever supervisory structure they worked under.

Dr. Willett reiterated that the board and the town share coverage in the instance an officer is hurt in the line of duty and based on insurance policies our current exposure is the \$1,000 deductible.

The committee reviewed the SRO MOU between Tolland; the Board of Education; and Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection which clarifies role of Constables is in schools. Dr. Willett is awaiting final signature of the MOU to finalize having constables in the building.

Dr. Willett informed the committee that schedules are being finalized for the two individuals so they can begin introductions and orientation as security guards if need be; until the MOU is fully signed and they are hired as constables. They are expected to start next week.

Meeting adjourn at 8:06 PM