

## Smart Schools Committee Minutes – March 29, 2016 – Mayfield Elementary School-5 to 6:15 PM

### Smart Schools Bond Act Discussion

#### Attendees

Rachel Mykel-Parent  
Barry Hampton-Community member  
Sandy Sturchio-Teacher  
Tony Sturchio-Community member  
Sally Morehouse-Parent  
Sarah Morehouse-Student  
Tom Armstrong-Student  
Tonya Moore-Parent  
Abbey Andrews-Leise-Student  
Jennifer Andrews-Leise-Parent  
Suzanne Nash-Parent  
Brandon Nash-Student  
Julie Handy-Parent  
Morgan Handy-Student  
Nick Criscone-Principal  
Chris Wojeski-Principal  
Jon Peterson-Superintendent

Before we can spend the funds, we as a committee have to decide how to use the money  
This committee will make a recommendation to the BOE

#### FAQ

What is Smart Schools?

Bond Act approved in November of 2014. Passed statewide.

Authorized \$2 billion to be used throughout NYS

\$840,880 - MCSD's allocation

Purpose - To improve learning opportunities for students for public and parochial and other non-public schools

1. Install high speed broadband or wireless opportunities.
2. Whiteboards, SMART boards, servers, etc.
3. Construct, enhance and modernize pre-kindergarten programs
4. Install high tech security features

Wireless upgrades - \$187,500 as part of Capital Project

583,250 of SMART School funds will be used as part of "Building the Future, Restoring the Past"

\$257,630 remaining to devote to the acquisition of devices

Acquire learning technology - tablets, laptops, desktops, etc.

What does SED require?

Roll out one-to-one devices at 3 grade levels at a time.

Determine the purchase/distribution phase in process.

Barry had a question about filtering and security, much of which we already have in place

Warranty for devices

\$30/year (included in the price that Jon noted)

Replacement plan - 3 - 5 years.

Mr. Peterson hopes to the Board of Education will tentatively approve plan at special BOE meeting on April 4

Questions about students who do not have internet/wireless access at home?

- There will be work the students can complete off-line
- Broadband throughout the state (inexpensive and widely accessible)
- Busses could be used as wifi hotspot

Committee unanimously approves recommending the Investment Plan

1. Allocate \$583,250 of Smart Schools funds for Voter Approved Scope in our Capital Project
2. Allocate \$257,630 of Smart Schools funds for a three year acquisition of learning technology equipment (devices)
  - A. The District's Technology Committee will determine the equipment, design the instructional plan and three year acquisition plan.