



**RYE NECK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
300 HORNIDGE ROAD
MAMARONECK, NEW YORK 10543
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL PLANNING SESSION
JUNE 13, 2023**

Present: President, Gloria Golle
Trustee Rebecca Mansell
Trustee Patty Nashelsky
Trustee Devina O’Reilly
Trustee Jennifer Rubin
Trustee Elizabeth Yong
Dr. Eric Lutinski, Superintendent of Schools
Carolyn Mahar, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Corinne Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Matt Orifici, EduTek
Mary Ellen Chiera, District Clerk

I. Opening of Meeting

President Golle called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Discussion

Instructional Technology & Life Safety/Security Infrastructure

Matt Orifici began his presentation by explaining to the Board that while Rye Neck remains committed to maintaining a stable and equitable technology environment, a convergence of technologies associated with life safety merits serious consideration. He proposed that the District continue to maintain its existing life cycles for instructional technology and continue to identify and evaluate software, tools and other resources which enhance the instruction environment. He also proposed that we establish and maintain a comprehensive safety/security infrastructure cycle including voice, proactive video security, door access, public address systems, mass notification systems and other emergency equipment such as pull stations, strobes and panic buttons. He suggested that platforms are selected based on their interoperability which enable seamless movement of information and control to respond to life safety events more efficiently and with the greatest level of information and that the District leverage the next generation video analytics and a converged platform enabling key stakeholders to receive event information proactively allowing them to respond with actionable control immediately.

Mr. Orifici then reviewed his technology spending proposal, the expenses for which are part of the 2022-2023 IT budget. With regard to instructional technology, he stated that the workstation replacement lifecycle and chromebook replacement have been completed. He recommends an upgrade to the PAC audio visual control system and an upgrade to Daniel Warren's audio visual control system in the cafeteria/auditorium.

With regard to safety/security infrastructure, he recommended replacing the Cisco phone system, purchasing hardware for a video security platform, and migrating our door access platform to the Salto System which is an on-premise system that expands door access to classrooms. Salto can be used to lockout classrooms from a central control, uses cards which can be activated and deactivated easily, and removes the need for keys. In addition, it allows you to lock out specific areas of the building, and allows you to trigger events such as a lockdown or lock out. Mr. Orifici proposed starting with the two elementary schools because they have multiple floors, then phasing in Middle/High School, athletic facility and administration building.

Next, Mr. Orifici proposed purchasing the licensing for the MIDL video security platform. The MIDL system provides a centralized platform for managing physical security and actions. It is a proactive AI based video monitoring system which allows for monitoring and alerting on 220 active cameras including license plate reading, people counting and various behavior identifications. It is a web based, on-premises system which integrates into the Salto door access system. It leverages multi-factor authentication; is data encrypted and secure; can replace our existing VMS platform; and has a wide range of optic detection capabilities and a built-in case management platform.

Discussion was then had concerning the newness and size of the company, the pros and cons to working with a startup company, the necessary training time, receipt of data about MIDL, and research into other companies.

Finally, President Golle explained that there are currently three versions of the Technology Purchasing Plan - A, B and C. Version A includes all the upgrades and equipment proposed. Version B includes everything in A less the MIDL Video Security Platform. Version C includes everything in A less the MIDL Video Security Platform and the hardware to support the video security platform. After much discussion, it was decided that Version B would be approved by the Board at the June 14th meeting.

III. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Nashelsky and seconded by Trustee Rubin, it was

RESOLVED, that there being no further business before the Board that the Board of Education Special Planning Session of June 13, 2023 be adjourned.

AYES: All Present

NAYES: None

President Golle adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Chiera
District Clerk