

WINDHAM BOARD OF EDUCATION
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BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
April 5, 2016

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Mrs. Osuba, Vice-chair Dr. Sewall, Secretary Dr. Gomez, Mr. Kalajian, Mrs. Lambert, Mr. Montalvo, Mr. French, Mr. Flores-Alvarez, Mr. Quamme

BOARD ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION

PRESENT: Interim Assistant Superintendent Mr. Chaffin,

STUDENT

REPRESENTATIVES: None

OTHERS PRESENT: General public, staff, administrators, news media

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mrs. Osuba called the April 5, 2016 Board of Education Special meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Windham High School Library Media Center.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGIANCE

Mr. Kalajian led the Board and the Public in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Windham Middle School Re-Roof Project

Motion of Mr. French, seconded by Mr. Kalajian that the Board of Education approve the Windham Middle School Re-Roof Project.

Wayne Donaldson, Bob Roach of Friar Associates , and Doug Rogers of CREC were present to explain the project and answer questions. They were asked to make a presentation. Paul Kalajian explained that he was a member of the Micro-Grid Committee and that the committee engaged in a bid process to choose an architect with Friar Assoc. being chosen by the committee. They explained the two projects and why they had been separated for the approval of the plans. Several questions were asked about the timing of the projects. The Micro-Grid will go out to bid on April 15th. Work will start before school is out. The roof project will begin as soon as school is out and is scheduled to achieve substantial completion a week before teachers return. They were asked about the energy that the grid will produce and potential cost savings to the town and district. The Co-Gen system will generate approximately 160 kilowatts while the solar panels will generate approximately 100 kilowatts. In an emergency shelter situation this will run 65% of the middle school and 100% of Sweeney School. The system will produce an annual savings of approximately \$65,000.

The motion is unanimously approved.

Approval of Alliance Districts' School Buildings Grant

Motion of Mr. French, seconded by Mr. Kalijian that the Board of Education approve the Windham Middle School and Sweeney Elementary School Micro-grid Project.

The motion is unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. French, seconded by Mr. Kalijian, that the Board adjourns its meeting at 7:15pm.