

RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE BROOKLINE SCHOOL COMMITTEE HELD ON **TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2016** AT 6:30 PM IN THE JAMES F. WALSH SCHOOL COMMITTEE ROOM, 5TH FLOOR, TOWN HALL. STATUTORY NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK.

School Committee Members Present: Ms. Ditkoff (Chairman), Mr. Pollak (Vice Chairman), Mr. Chang, Ms. Charlupski, Mr. Glover, Dr. Jackson, and Ms. Scotto.
School Committee Members Absent: Ms. Stram and Ms. Stone. Also present: Mr. Bott, Ms. Dunn, and Ms. Coyne.
Others Present: Melissa Goff and David Lescohier.

Ms. Ditkoff called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

1. SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACTIONS

a. Proposed vote to authorize the installation of solar panels on the roof of the John D. Runkle School, 50 Druce Street

Ms. Dunn referred to the following documents: her July 13, 2016 Memo to Mr. Bott regarding Solar Arrays on School Buildings (Attachment A); Cadmus Group Presentation-Solar Briefing: Brookline and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) Regional Solar Initiative (Attachment B); and BlueWave Presentation on the Town of Brookline Solar Initiative (Attachment C).

The School Committee discussed the timing of the vote and whether it could be deferred until more information is available. The Town needs to know whether the School Committee will allow the placement of panels on the Runkle School before finalizing the contract. The current financials are estimates that will be fine-tuned. Cadmus, MAPC's Regional Solar Services Consultant, is our representative. The contract has not been finalized. The Board of Selectmen will be asked to vote on the License Agreement in August. Ms. Goff will share the final draft agreement with the School Committee before it is signed. She will present an update to the School Capital Improvements Subcommittee in September. The contract will include opt-out provisions and will not exceed 20 years. School Committee members asked that in the future they be given more detailed information before being asked to take a vote on such matters.

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On a motion of Mr. Pollak and seconded by Mr. Chang, the School Committee VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the use of space on the rooftops of Runkle School pursuant to the terms set forth in each respective lease, entered into by the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of creating a solar array as substantially shown on the plans in the lease. The School Committee declares that this joint occupancy of these school buildings will not interfere with the educational programs being conducted in the buildings. The School Committee acknowledges that the use of the rooftops for solar arrays is subject to approval of the Commissioner of Education, and that the School Committee will obtain approval.

2. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Ditkoff adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin E. Coyne, Executive Assistant
Brookline School Committee