

Smart Schools Bond Act Committee

November 16, 2015

Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014

- Statewide Referendum held on November 4, 2014
- The bond financed improved educational technology and infrastructure to help improve learning and opportunity for students throughout the state.
- New York State determined the allocation for each district:
 - ✓ Miller Place UFSD Allocation = \$1,892,970

Smart Schools Bond Act Allowable Investments

- School Connectivity – Broadband and Wireless
- Classroom Learning Technology
- Connectivity Projects for Communities
- Pre-kindergarten Classrooms
- Replacement of Classroom Trailers
- High-Tech Security Features

Smart Schools Bond Act Investment Process

1. Form Committee of Stakeholders
2. Determine District Needs
3. Rank Priorities
4. Develop Plans
5. Board of Education – Preliminary Approval
6. Public Hearing
7. Board of Education – Final Approval
8. Submission to New York State Education Department

Smart Schools Bond Act Allowable Investments Not Considering at this Time

- Replacement of Classroom Trailers
 - Not applicable
- High-Tech Security Features
 - High-Tech Security Features already in place in the District
- Connectivity Projects for Communities
 - No - Library, YMCA, Senior Centers, etc.

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Allowable Investments for Consideration

- School Connectivity – Broadband and Wireless
- Classroom Learning Technology
- Pre-kindergarten Classrooms

Smart Schools Bond Act Other Considerations

- Recurring costs of investments:
 - Warranties
 - Manpower to maintain investments:
 - Technical support
 - Staff professional development
 - Replacement of incidental items
 - Compatibility with the existing infrastructure
 - Replacement of devices and equipment at the end of their useful life with other funding sources (future budget impact)

Smart Schools Bond Act Potential Future Mandates

1. Pre-kindergarten education
2. Online Testing

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Discussion

Questions & Answers

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Next Committee Meeting:
Monday, December 7, 2015
MPHS Library
at 6 pm