WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE Monday, February 19, 2024 Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative MS/HS 5:30 p.m.

7 Present: Dennis Golding-Chair, Darlene Anzalone-Vice Chair, Tiffany Cloutier-Cabral, Jennifer Bernet, 8 Michelle Alley, DJ Garcia-Wilton Select Board Rep, Peter Weaver, Kristie LaPlante (Admin Team), Sarah 9 Chadzynski and Heather Gibson (Community Members) also present, Wilton Police Chief Eric Olesen

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm. 12

II. SRO Discussion:

14 Mr. Garcia spoke of the trouble he had receiving clarifying questions about the SRO position from his 15 16 colleagues. Mr. Garcia also spoke of the potential of finding a middle ground and potentially changing the shift 17 schedules of the officers so that there was an officer at the HS/MS during peak times like drop-off and pickup. Discussion was had that it probably wouldn't work for our district because the SRO needs to be someone 18 consistent and someone willing to work with school aged children and to have multiple officers showing up 19 20 wouldn't provide what the district needed. Mr. Weaver stated that there was a need for an SRO to be there during lunch as well as arrival and dismissal. Multiple committee members expressed the need for the SRO to be one 21 22 officer so that the student experience and interactions would be consistent with the same individual. Ultimately, 23 there was a middle ground possibly reached with the committee exploring a potential part-time SRO, approximately 20-25 hours a week, to use during those peak times. This would allow the district and the town of 24 25 Wilton to gather data to determine if an SRO is truly beneficial to SAU63. Finally, Mr. Weaver brought up the 26 training is about \$550 + expenses for a 40-hour course. Mr. Garcia is going to discuss this with his colleagues 27 and give the committee their feedback at the next meeting. 28

III. <u>Previous Meeting follow-up:</u>

Mr. Weaver handed out a list of things the committee should/can look at to build the district "Report Card" and 30 asked for feedback regarding anything else the committee thought should be added to the list. Some of the 31 members gave the Superintendent some great feedback and then decided to give administration the task of 32 33 getting the committee some of the info for the next meeting so that we can build that report card. 34

IV. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u>

There was no public to comment. 36

V. <u>Next meeting:</u>

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