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Board of Education Regular Meeting Agenda
501 Kings Highway East, 2nd Floor Board Conference Room
January 10, 2017
7:30 PM

1. Call to Order of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Student Reports
Fairfield Ludlowe High School: Ms. Catherine Behjati, Mr. Sean Oppenheimer
Fairfield Warde High School: Ms. Ashley Agrello, Ms. Brittany Shuster
4. Public Comment*
5. Presentation of the Superintendent's Proposed 2017-2018 Proposed Operating Budget, Dr. Jones
(Hard Copy Distribution to Listed Recipients Only)
6. Old Business
 - A. Approval of Proposed 2017-2018 Capital Non-Recurring Projects, Mr. Cullen
Recommended Motion: "that the Board of Education approve the Proposed Capital Non-Recurring Projects for 2017-2018"
 - B. Approval of Policies
 - i. Approval of Policy 3520.13 – Student Data Protection and Privacy/Cloud-Based Issues
Recommended Motion: "that the Board of Education approve Policy 3520.13 – Student Data Protection and Privacy/Cloud-Based Issues"
 - ii. Approval of Policy 5125 – Student Records – Confidentiality
Recommended Motion: "that the Board of Education approve Policy 5125 – Student Records – Confidentiality"
7. New Business
 - A. First Reading of Policy 5145.14 – Students – On-Campus Recruitment
8. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2016
Recommended Motion: "that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2016"
(Enclosure No. 1)
9. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Update on Racial Imbalance Plan
10. Committee/Liaison Reports
11. Open Board Comment

12. Public Comment*

13. Adjournment

Recommended Motion: “that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn”

**During this period the Board will accept public comment on items pertaining to this meeting’s agenda* from any citizen present at the meeting (*per BOE By-Law, Article V, Section 6). Those wishing to videotape or take photographs must abide by CGS §1-226.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 17, 2017	Board of Education Special Meeting	501 Kings Hwy East 2 nd Floor Board Conference Room
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**Regular Meeting Minutes
Fairfield BoE, December 13, 2016**

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Call to Order of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education and Roll Call

Chairman Philip Dwyer called the regular meeting to order at 7:33PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack (arrived 7:42), Marc Patten (arrived 7:37), Donna Karnal, Jessica Gerber, Philip Dwyer, Anthony Calabrese (arrived 7:57), Trisha Pytko, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly and John Llewellyn. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Toni Jones, FLHS student representatives Catherine Behjati and Sean Oppenheimer; FWHS student representatives Brittany Shuster and Ashley Agrello; members of the central office leadership team, and approximately 25 members of the public.

Student Reports

Ms. Behjati and Mr. Oppenheimer reported for Fairfield Ludlowe High School: A warm welcome was extended to Dr. Jones; 204 alumni returned for alumni day; the Pulsera project raised \$1500 dollars for Nicaragua; many students donated at the recent blood drive; the LGBT forum was held; congratulations extended to the Warde football team for its Thanksgiving day win; the combined Warde/Ludlowe half-time show had rave reviews; the dramatic theater performance "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" was a success; the Candlelight performance takes places next week; the Bella Boutique is up and running.

Ms. Agrello and Ms. Shuster reported for Fairfield Warde High School: A warm welcome was extended to Dr. Jones; many alumni attended alumni day; fall sports have concluded and winter sports have begun; the college application process continues – some early action decisions have already been received; students are preparing for the Carillon concert.

Public Comment:

State Rep. McCarthy-Vahey - Chair of Fairfield Cares: Supports ongoing work of Fairfield Cares and the use of RYASAP data. Welcomes the opportunity to speak with Board members about this work.

Presentations

Recognition of PTA Delegates

Mrs. Gerber thanked the PTA BOE representatives for the support they provide and asked those in attendance to introduce themselves to the Board:

Adam King – Riverfield
Linda Erickson – Sherman
Robin Bernier – Burr
Michelle Fleisher – Jennings
Jill Bennett – Osborn Hill
Pamela Carter – Osborn Hill
Bonnie Rotelli - SEPTA and Stratfield
Gina Luczaj - Roger Ludlowe
Monique Sudikoff – Fairfield Woods
Jennifer Jacobsen – Fairfield Ludlowe
Jill Vergara – Sherman

AON – Update on Health Insurance

AON representative Mr. Lindgren presented the reserve analysis as of November 30, 2016. The estimated runout claim of \$1.590M was nearly identical to the actual claim reserve of \$1.595M. The 2017-2018 Self-Insured Cost Projection was estimated at \$32M, vs. the estimated 2017-2018 CT Partnership 2.0 Plan at \$29M, proving that moving to the CT Partnership remains a major cost savings measure and prudent decision.

Mr. Llewellyn asked about the role of AON going forward. Mr. Lindgren said it will be to monitor experience through the state plan and address other issues such as the placement of retirees. The ITT Hartford plan did not want to take the retirees due to the change in numbers and the small size of the group. Mrs. Munsell added that other issues might arise with ACA, flexible spending and legislative issues.

Mr. Dwyer said AON has been very helpful and has served the Board well. He asked what happened to the Town medical retention fund that was over the \$1.7M? Ms. Munsell said the remainder of the claims will be paid. Mr. Carlton said there is no more IBNR; run off claims as of July 1 are now funded by the state.

Regional Youth Adult Social Action Partnership (RYASAP) Survey Results

Mr. Robert Francis presented the RYASAP results for the 797 Fairfield middle and high school youth that were surveyed. The data is used often to support programming and secure grants. RYASAP defines external assets as positive experiences and supports that a young person receives and internal assets are defined as things that a community and family nurture within the youth; the more assets young people have, the more likely they are to lead productive and healthy lives. Some of the highlights in the report include an increase in positive peer influence and a decrease in the 30-day use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana and prescription drugs. Fairfield youth take advantage of the plentiful, constructive activities that are offered.

Mrs. Gerber asked:

- ♦ Are e-cigarettes included as tobacco? Mr. Francis said no, the survey has yet to be updated with that information.
- ♦ Is online gambling included in gambling? Mr. Francis said online gambling is not singled out.
- ♦ Can we get the full reports? Mr. Francis said yes, they have been provided for distribution.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack asked about the impact in other states where marijuana has been legalized. Mr. Francis said there is a slight increase of use in those states but more research is needed.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly said she liked the separate reports for the middle school and high school and asked:

- ♦ Is 797 the usual sample size? Mr. Francis said the usual sample size is between 15-20% of 7th through 12th graders.
- ♦ Agreed that the survey should be broadened to include e-cigarettes. Mr. Francis said there will probably be a return to the supplemental survey in 2018.
- ♦ Did the survey make it clear that the referenced prescription drug use was targeting illegal use, rather than using as prescribed? Mr. Francis said yes.
- ♦ How is resisting danger defined? Mr. Francis said this concerns any risky behavior that is considered dangerous such as drug use and criminal behavior.
- ♦ Is there a correlation with this report and the 'TIPS' hotline?

Mr. Dwyer asked if anything in this report was a surprise to the 'TIPS' responders. Ms. Leonardi said not at first glance. The TIPS system has paid for itself multiple times and helps struggling students and perhaps saved lives.

Ms. Pytko asked about students who opted out of taking the survey. Mr. Dwyer said in the past this has been a small number.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack expressed concern with the legalization of marijuana in other states - that students may think marijuana use is OK; she asked if comparison data with other communities nationwide is possible. Mr. Francis said this data could be requested.

Mr. Dwyer thanked Mr. Francis and his team for the presentation.

Old Business

Approval of Policy 5141.3 – Students – Health Assessments and Immunizations

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved, Ms. Karnal seconded that the Board of Education approve Policy 5141.3, Students – Health Assessments and Immunizations.

Motion Passed: 9-0

New Business

Fairfield BOE Proposed Capital Non-Recurring Projects

Mr. Dwyer said the projects are presented now so that summer work can begin on time.

Mr. Cullen added that the projects are in the long-range facilities plan. The total request is \$2.75M for 6 different projects:

1. FLHS student parking lot replacement (\$250K) – The lot was used for heavy machinery during the renovation and needs to be replaced. Speed tables are also planned.
Mrs. Gerber asked if the window replacement project will be impacted by this and was told no. She also asked for the average life-span of the parking lot.
Mr. Dwyer asked if the construction traffic will affect the lot once newly paved and was told no; it will be advantageous to have traffic on the lot after paving, so that the material will be pressed.
Mr. Patten asked if the paving will be the same as was done for the Town and Mr. Cullen said it is similar.
Ms. Karnal thought the construction equipment was not housed close to the building but Mr. Cullen said it was.
2. FWHS LMC HVAC rooftop replacement (\$250K) – A larger crane is needed for this project and the lowest bid received was \$187K; engineering drawings can be re-used.
Mr. Llewellyn asked how old the unit was and how much was spent on it in the last five years. Mr. Cullen said it is original to 1995; he will provide the amount spent on the unit in the last five years.
Mrs. Gerber asked if this project would affect summer school and Mr. Cullen said no; the crane would be in place for 14 days and a work-around could be found for that timeframe.
3. FWHS artificial turf field Replacement (\$750K) – Typically lasts 10-12 years and is failing quickly. Plan to re-do the running track and move the long jump and pole vault further to the end zones as an add/alternate.
Mrs. Gerber asked:
 - ♦ What is the impact of field use as the work is being done? Mr. Fry said the field gets used by the school and the public. In some cases, the turf is down to the gravel. Grass fields will be used while the work is being completed.
 - ♦ Is the turf product safe? Mr. Cullen said firms are using green crumb rubber to reduce the heat absorbency and it is still recommended as the safest product.Mr. Dwyer asked Mr. Cullen to consult with the Board of Health on its recommendation.
Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly asked:
 - ♦ Are reservations being denied to preserve the field? Mr. Fry said there is plenty of unofficial use, despite locking up goals and monitoring when possible. Mr. Cullen added that the policy has been tightened on this, Parks and Recreation generally does not use the high school turf fields.
 - ♦ What about community use, such as Pop Warner or Wildcats football? Mr. Cullen said Wildcats is one of the heavy users. Field availability can sometimes be hard to discern seven days in advance, as required; the athletic directors are often consulted on how the games and tournaments are going. The fields are used constantly by the schools and the community.

Ms. Karnal asked about the cost of the FLHS turf and whether this project would be bid to the same company. Do you think \$750K is too much? Mr. Cullen said FLHS was \$650K; the crumb rubber was re-used and he would not recommend that because crumb rubber breaks down. The project will go through the Town's purchasing department. The \$750K also includes moving the long jump.

Mr. Dwyer said add/alternates may be used.

4. FWHS Blake Tennis Courts replacement (\$325K) – The estimated \$67K in repairs would only be guaranteed for 2 years – this needs to be replaced. May do an add/alternate to have a post-tensioning concrete system, which would be good for 20 years vs. 10-12 years.

5. TMS partial roof replacement (\$875K) – Reimbursable project that will require a building committee.

Mrs. Gerber asked how many old roofs exist at TMS and Mr. Cullen said he would provide more information on this.

6. System-wide security infrastructure upgrades (\$335K) – Third phase of project; working together with Fairfield Police Department.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly asked if there is grant money for this project. Mr. Cullen said not at this time. She also asked about the role of the external PA system. Lt. Weihe said it will alert those involved in outside activities during the school day, such as recess, PE, etc.

Ms. Karnal said this seems like a large amount; Lt. Weihe said there is much diversity in the 17 sites to accommodate.

Ms. Pytko asked if teachers will receive training on the emergency first aid kit. Mr. Cullen said he will work with the Fairfield Police Department on that.

Mr. Patten felt the FWHS turf is perhaps the most important and asked, if one project had to be removed, which one should it be? Mr. Cullen said none – all are planned, high priority projects.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack said we keep running over on infrastructure projects – is the \$2.785M a certain amount? Mr. Cullen respectfully disagreed and said non-recurring projects, in 14 years, has not gone over budget. There is little to no chance of it going over this year either.

Mr. Llewellyn asked:

- ♦ Which is the most important and most critical project? Mr. Cullen said these are all the highest priority – the project list is so long, there are 3 levels of priorities.
- ♦ When will the waterfall be updated with the latest changes? Mr. Cullen said the waterfall chart will not be updated, the BOE numbers for Holland Hill remain at \$13.24M. Mr. Llewellyn asked how will the increased costs of the Holland Hill project impact the waterfall? Mr. Dwyer said that Holland Hill will be discussed during committee liaison reports
- ♦ What have we collected from the state? Mr. Cullen said between 25% and 27%, 18-21% for roofs, there is no reimbursement for parking lots or turf fields.
- ♦ How is bidding on turf different? Why is FWHS \$100K more? Mr. Cullen said we can get the field companies we like and they pick the contractors, rather than the reverse. As explained earlier, the FLHS project involved the re-use of crumb rubber.
- ♦ Are you displeased with the FLHS turf outcome? Mr. Cullen said no, but the punch-list and final spring work was difficult to get completed.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack asked if an extra charge of \$100K had been added to the FLHS turf, would we have been satisfied – wants to be certain projects won't go over the amount specified. Mr. Cullen said the FWHS project also includes moving the pole vault and the long-jump – the breakdown can be seen on pages 16 and 17; the FWHS project will not re-use crumb rubber; a green crumb rubber will be used.

Mr. Dwyer said the non-recurring projects, as a whole, tend to come in under budget – it is the larger building projects that tend to go over.

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District-Wide Radon Testing

Mrs. Gerber moved, Ms. Pytko seconded that the Board of Education approve the district-wide radon five-year re-evaluation testing per State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health requirements.

Mr. Dwyer said this is a required test; Mr. Cullen added that the test is mandated every 5 years.

Mr. Llewellyn asked if this item is in the budget and was told yes – \$67K to hire the consultant.

Mr. Patten asked if the district had any radon issues since 2002. Mr. Cullen said yes; Tomlinson, Riverfield and Stratfield all have mitigation systems.

Motion Passed: 9-0

Approval of Fairfield Warde High School Re-roof Project TMP-051-0123 RR

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved, Mrs. Gerber seconded that the Board of Education accept the Fairfield Warde High School Re-roof Project TMP-051-0123 RR as complete.

Mr. Briks, FWHS Roof Building Committee Chairman, said the project has been ongoing for longer than 5 years; the roof had not been eligible for reimbursement due to the pitch requirement – a law was then passed to allow the old pitch and facilitate reimbursement.

Mr. Dwyer added that the state passed legislation to allow the old pitch; Fairfield saved \$3.5M on this project.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly asked about the 26.76 percent reimbursement rate. Mr. Morabito said the rate can change each year; in 2012 – that was the reimbursement rate and it was locked at that rate.

Motion Passed: 9-0

Approval of the CSDE Authorized Signature Change Form for the Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education

Mrs. Gerber moved, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded that the Board of Education approve the Signature Change Form for the Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education as enclosed.

Motion Passed: 9-0

First Reading of Policies

- ♦ 3520.13 – Student Data Protection and Privacy/Cloud-Based Issues
- ♦ 5125 – Student Records – Confidentiality

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly noted that the policies were stapled together and asked for any questions in advance of the next meeting.

Walter Fitzgerald Campus (WFC) – Status Update

Ms. Leonardi and Ms. Donowitz presented the update. Ms. Donowitz said alternative education is all about positive relationships. The Walter Fitzgerald Model uses Project-Based Learning in all core content areas. Options exist for community service-learning, online learning and clinical supports. She reviewed areas for focus and continued growth with social-emotional learning and academic rigor/engagement. Thirty-four students currently attend the WFC. Ms. Leonardi added that all students are in-district; currently no out-of-district students attend. WFC is still open to the idea.

Ms. Pytko asked if students take finals. Ms. Donowitz said it depends; Math requires a final.

Mr. Llewellyn asked what is behind the increase in the lease. Ms. Leonardi said it was the same amount for a long time, but the new archbishop has made this change.

Mr. Dwyer said the maintenance building is also leased.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly thanked staff for the presentation and for hosting her visit to the campus. She asked:

- ♦ What is the typical duration at WFC? Ms. Donowitz said there is no typical – each situation is unique.
- ♦ What is the nature of the transition when returning to FLHS or FWHS? Ms. Donowitz said collaboration with school and parents is important.
- ♦ Have you encountered issues of resistance to attend? Ms. Donowitz said social workers and counselors work to dispel myths and this is a gradual process. Ms. Leonardi added that the new name, Walter Fitzgerald Campus, was a form of re-branding what it means to attend. The project-based learning and the raising of academic standards help to dispel old myths, but it is a work-in-progress.
- ♦ Can you characterize the nature of the investment that Fairfield has made in this high school? Ms. Leonardi recounted the history of alternative education in Fairfield that began with COOP and PAL programs – including being housed in central office, church basements and portable classrooms. Ms. Donowitz is now in her second year as an administrator at WFC; she hears from alumni often; the relationships formed at WFC are quite special.
- ♦ Is WFC grouped with Warde and Ludlowe in the graduate survey? Ms. Leonardi said she will find out.

Mrs. Gerber asked how the students participate in extra-curricular activities. Ms. Leonardi said this is done through the home school.

Ms. Karnal thanked staff for the presentation and asked:

- ♦ Is transportation to extra-curricular activities provided? Ms. Donowitz said yes.
- ♦ Why are Chromebooks important and how are these funded? Ms. Donowitz said Chromebooks provide fluidity in the classroom and Ms. Leonardi said they replaced desktops.
- ♦ Aside from the staff you list on the provided chart – are there any other staff members? Ms. Donowitz said no; PE is a shared staff member.
- ♦ Is ESS also at the other high schools? Ms. Donowitz said yes.
- ♦ What about field trips? Ms. Donowitz said it depends on the class/curriculum, but students attend events at the theater, museums and parks. Ms. Leonardi said many of these students will be the first to attend college in their families and it is important to show options.
- ♦ How many students attend now? Ms. Donowitz said 34, but that number fluctuates.

Mr. Patten asked about capacity and classroom size. Ms. Leonardi said she gets that question often; it depends on how the kids are coming together – she doesn't like to put a hard ceiling but 65 or 70 would be tight. Classroom size depends on the content.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack said that having one math teacher for grades 9-12 as well as special education must prove challenging. Ms. Donowitz said WFC offers core courses needed for graduation and does not offer the full range of courses provided at the other high schools. WFC uses PLATO to supplement what is offered.

Mr. Patten asked how students get shuttled to the high schools for electives not offered at WFC. Ms. Donowitz said it is sometimes not possible to accommodate choices. Ms. Leonardi added that a student's passion could become part of the project-based learning within the community. Ms. Donowitz added that the goal is an interdisciplinary-based approach.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack asked about the ability to track these students post-graduation. She hates to say it but not all students are academic and it would be great to build vocational skills element of this for kids. There are all these occupations out there, like masonry, construction, being an electrician; that academics don't prepare you for. Ms. Donowitz said she does not have access to post-secondary data, but can look to gather it over time. Ms. Leonardi said they don't look at things post-education just in the context of a four year college or university. Mrs. Liu-McCormack said that many kids within the regular school don't fit the academic role, it's super important to avail more kids of the opportunity for internships and apprenticeships.

Discussion and Possible Action on Board of Education By-Law Amendments

Amendment #1

To amend the Bylaw:

ARTICLE V.

SECTION6: PUBLIC COMMENT (9325)

And add the following language:

B. Town Hall meetings

In the interest of giving the public the opportunity to comment on a wider range of issues other than those on Regular BoE meeting agendas, the Board will hold semiannual Town Hall meetings to be scheduled at the discretion of the Chair. The agenda of these meetings will be a "discussion of facilities, finances and programs" of Fairfield Public Schools.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved, Mr. Patten seconded to approve Amendment #1 as shown on Enclosure 7, dated December 13, 2016. Mr. Llewellyn made a friendly amendment to add a comma following "Town Hall meetings"; the Board accepted the amendment.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly said this will formalize what has been done in practice.

The motion, as amended, Passed: 9-0

Amendment #2

To amend the Bylaw as indicated below:

ARTICLE V.

SECTION6: PUBLIC COMMENT (9325)

A. Public comment on Agenda Items

As a means of encouraging public participation during Board meetings, the Chairman shall solicit comments from the public with regard to agenda items, as proposed or amended, that the Board will be discussing and/or will be acting upon by vote. The Chairman may limit Public Comment in any manner appropriate to the orderly and efficient conduct of Board meetings. The following parameters will pertain to Public Comment:

1. Up to three (3) minutes may be allotted to each speaker. The Chair may modify this limitation at the beginning of a meeting if the number of persons wishing to speak makes it advisable to do so.
2. A member of the public can only speak to a topic once at a meeting. Public Comment on agenda items will take place at the beginning and end of the meeting. Public Comment on Old Business ~~and New Business~~ will also take place following Board discussion of those items and prior to when any vote is taken

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved, Mrs. Gerber seconded to approve Amendment #2 as shown on Enclosure 7, dated December 13, 2016.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly said the intent was to give the public 2 opportunities to speak, although this could present a challenge on certain nights.

Mrs. Gerber supports the amendment.

Mrs. Liu-McCormack questioned the striking of 'and New Business' and prefers to keep that phrase.

Mrs. Maxon-Kenelly stated that there is business to conduct and thought that was a fair limit; this is streamlining.

Mrs. Gerber said there is opportunity to comment on New Business at the beginning of the meeting and at the end of the next meeting when it is Old Business.

Mr. Patten said this is a good compromise and similar to several years ago.

Mr. Llewellyn asked if the voting items on today's agenda would have public comment.

Mr. Dwyer said yes. Concerned with how to end the meeting, but the Board will deal with the timing and see how it goes.

Motion Passed: 7-2

Favor: Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Patten, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn
Oppose: Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese

Amendment #3

To amend the Bylaw to add a second "Public Comment" as #12., and change "Adjournment" to #13, as shown below.
ARTICLE V.

SECTION 4: ORDER OF BUSINESS (9325.2)

1. The agenda at each Regular Meeting shall be:
 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Student Reports
 4. Public Comment
 5. Presentations
 6. Old Business
 7. New Business
 8. Approval of Minutes
 9. Superintendent's Report
 10. Committee/Liaison Report
 11. Open Board Comment
 12. Public Comment
 13. Adjournment

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved, Mrs. Gerber seconded to approve Amendment #3 as shown on Enclosure 7, dated December 13, 2016. Mr. Llewellyn made a friendly amendment to switch #11 and #12 in the "Order of Business", the Board did not accept the amendment.

Mr. Llewellyn moved, Ms. Karnal seconded to amend the amendment and make "Public Comment" #11 and "Open Board Comment" #12.

Mr. Llewellyn said this gives the public adequate time and gives the Board the opportunity to address things.

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly said Open Board Comment is not intended to be a continued discussion of Public Comment.

Motion Failed: 3-6

Favor: Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn

Oppose: Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly

Original Motion Passed: 9-0

Mr. Llewellyn moved to amend the Holland Hill Ed Specs from 504 to 462, Mrs. Liu-McCormack said she would second it.

Mr. Dwyer called him out of order and indicated that 6 votes will be needed to first add a topic to the agenda.

Mr. Llewellyn moved, Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to add an item to the agenda – the discussion of amending the Holland Hill Ed Specs from 504 to 462.

Mr. Llewellyn said that the cost of the Holland Hill is now up to \$21M and there is a need to better define the ed-specs. There are a lot of things on the map not on the original ed specs.

Motion Failed: 3-6

Favor: Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn

Oppose: Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 10, 2016, Special Meeting of November 15, 2016 and Regular Meeting of November 15, 2016

Mr. Dwyer received Board consensus to approve all minutes in one recommended motion.

Mrs. Gerber moved, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 10, 2016, the Special Meeting of November 15, 2016 and the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2016.

Motion Passed: 6-1-2

Favor: Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly

Oppose: Ms. Karnal

Abstain: Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Llewellyn

Mrs. Gerber moved, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:20PM.

Motion Failed: 5-3-1

Favor: Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn

Oppose: Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko

Abstain: Ms. Karnal

Superintendent Report

Dr. Jones reported that she has been visiting schools and meeting staff and students. She thanked the staff and Dr. Tracy for helping her to prepare for the upcoming budget meetings and noted the Brown Bag budget discussion will take place on January 12.

Committee/Liaison Report

Mr. Dwyer reported that the majority of the Board is committed to Holland Hill being a 504 school. The building committee determined that more money is needed for site work and added spaces. The building committee project number has risen to \$20M and the BOE number is still at \$13M.

Ms. Karnal asked why the project was pushed back 18 months. Mr. Dwyer said they are talking about escalating the cost of the project an additional 18 months. We had assumed a 2017 start and they are assuming a 2018 start.

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 11:00PM.

*Respectfully Submitted by,
Jessica Gerber
Fairfield Board of Education, Secretary*