

**Regular Meeting Notes
Fairfield BoE; January 26, 2017**

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 7:35PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack (arrived 7:50PM), Marc Patten (arrived 7:37PM), Donna Karnal, Jessica Gerber, Philip Dwyer, Anthony Calabrese, Trisha Pytko, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly and John Llewellyn. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Toni Jones, members of the central office leadership team, and approximately 20 members of the public.

Old Business

Approval of Policy 5145.14 – Students – On-Campus Recruitment

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve Policy 5145-14 – Students – On Campus Recruitment”. Motion passed 8-0 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack was not present for this vote).

New Business

Adoption of a Recommended Budget for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year

Mr. Calabrese moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve an operating budget in the amount of \$168,757,490 as presented, to be forwarded to the Town of Fairfield”

Mr. Patten moved/no second to add \$225,000 to line item 101, teaching staff.

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to reduce the line 55000 on page 79 by \$28,700; to reduce line 58205 on page 101 by \$25,080; and to then increase line 54120 on page 74 by \$53,780 and request that the money be used by the superintendent to hire a consultant for a programmatic SPED audit and literacy audit. Following discussion, Mr. Llewellyn withdrew his motion.

The original motion -- “that the Board of Education approve an operating budget in the amount of \$168,757,490 as presented, to be forwarded to the Town of Fairfield” – passed 9-0.

Discussion of the Holland Hill Ed-Specs in comparison to those approved for Riverfield

Mr. Calabrese moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded to add a business item to

the agenda to give guidance to staff. Motion passed 7-1 (Mr. Patten, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack against; Mr. Llewellyn was not in the room at the time.)

Mr. Calabrese moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded to direct staff through the Superintendent to revise the Holland Hill ed-specs to include the information in the Learning/Educational Activities, Educational Space Requirements Summary, and site development summary pages; to get a draft of the revised ed-specs to the Board of Finance for their February 7th meeting, and then to the Board of Education for their February 14th meeting.

Mr. Calabrese moved to call the question. Motion failed 3-6 (Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Patten, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn against).

Original motion -- "to direct staff through the Superintendent to revise the Holland Hill ed-specs to include the information in the Learning/Educational Activities, Educational Space Requirements Summary, and site development summary pages; to get a draft of the revised ed-specs to the Board of Finance for their February 7th meeting, and then to the Board of Education for their February 14th meeting." passed 6-3 (Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn against).

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes of the January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 10, 2017." Motion passed 6-1-2. (Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Calabrese, Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack against; Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn abstained).

Adjournment

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion "that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn." Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:42PM