

DRAFT Regular Meeting Notes
Fairfield BoE; May 7, 2019

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

Chairman Christine Vitale called the Regular meeting to order at 7:13PM. Present were members Trisha Pytko, Jennifer Leeper, Philip Dwyer, Jessica Gerber, Christine Vitale, Nick Aysseh, Jennifer Jacobsen, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly, and Jeff Peterson. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Toni Jones, FWHS student reps Mr. Rivera and Ms. Solari, members of the central office leadership team, and approximately 100 members of the public.

New Business

Approval of Revised Graduation Time

Mr. Peterson moved/Mrs. Jacobsen seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the revised time of high school graduation to Fairfield Ludlowe and Fairfield Warde High School to **Friday, June 14, 2019 at 5:00PM.**”

Motion passed 8-0-1 (Ms. Pytko, Ms. Leeper, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Vitale, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Jacobsen, Mr. Peterson in favor; Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly abstained).

Approval of Music Curriculum, Grades 6-12

Mr. Peterson moved/Ms. Pytko seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Music Curriculum, Grades 6-12.”

Motion passed 9-0.

Approval of Fairfield School Solar Proposal at School Sites

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Peterson seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Fairfield School Solar Proposal at Roger Ludlowe Middle School” Motion passed 9-0.

Ms. Leeper moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Fairfield School Solar Proposal at Burr Elementary School.” Motion passed 8-1 (Ms. Pytko, Ms. Leeper, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Vitale, Mrs. Jacobsen, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Peterson in favor; Mr. Aysseh against).

Mrs. Gerber moved/Ms. Leeper seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Fairfield School Solar Proposal at Stratfield Elementary School.” Motion failed 4-5 (Ms. Leeper, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Vitale, Mrs. Jacobsen in favor; Ms. Pytko, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Aysseh, Mr. Peterson, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly against).

Mrs. Gerber moved/Ms. Pytko seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Fairfield School Solar Proposal at

Holland Hill Elementary School." Motion passed 9-0.

Mrs. Vitale asked the Board for unanimous consent to take up the interim Superintendent vote before the Budget Adjustment discussion, and to switch the first read of the redistricting principles with the ECC Update; the Board agreed.

Approval of Interim Superintendent of Schools' Contract

Mrs. Gerber moved/Ms. Pytko seconded to enter into executive session to discuss the interim Superintendent of Schools contract. Motion passed 9-0. The Board went into executive session at 8:40PM and came out of executive session at 8:50PM.

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Dwyer seconded the recommended motion "that the Fairfield Board of Education hereby moves to appoint Stephen Tracy as the Acting/Interim Superintendent of Schools, subject to Mr. Tracy holding all certifications and meeting all requirements set forth in Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-157 and other applicable law. The Board further moves to approve the Contract with Mr. Tracy as discussed in executive session; and designates to the Board Chair the authority to execute the Contract document on behalf of the Board." Motion passed 9-0.

At 10:50PM, Mrs. Jacobsen moved/Ms. Leeper seconded to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:15PM. Motion passed 7-2 (Ms. Pytko, Ms. Leeper, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Vitale, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Jacobsen, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Peterson against.)

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded to table agenda items 8-11. Motion passed 6-3 (Ms. Pytko, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Vitale, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly and Mr. Peterson in favor; Ms. Leeper, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Jacobsen against).

The meeting ended at 11:15PM