

**Regular Meeting Draft Minutes
Fairfield BoE; June 13, 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 7:32PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack, Marc Patten, Donna Karnal (arrived 8:23PM), Jessica Gerber, Philip Dwyer, Nick Aysseh, Trisha Pytko, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly (arrived 8:05PM) and John Llewellyn. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Toni Jones, members of the central office leadership team, and approximately 120 members of the public.

Old Business

Approval of the Computer Science Principles Course

Mrs. Gerber moved/Ms. Pytko seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the Computer Science Principles Course." Motion passed 7-0 (Ms. Karnal and Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly were not present for this vote).

Adoption of Policies

Adoption of Policy 5144.1 –Students – Use of Physical Force

Ms. Pytko moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education adopt Policy 5144.1, Students–Use of Physical Force." Motion passed 8-0 (Ms. Karnal was not present for this vote).

Adoption of Policy 4112.5/4212.5 – Personnel Certified/Non-Certified – Security Check/Fingerprinting

Ms. Pytko moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education adopt Policy 4112.5/4212.5 – Personnel Certified/Non-Certified – Security Check/Fingerprinting."

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to amend the policy by changing the first sentence in the 4th paragraph to read "District employees shall submit to state and national criminal checks, which include fingerprinting at the time they complete their new hire paperwork." Motion failed 2-6 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Pytko, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly against, Ms. Karnal was not present for this vote).

Mrs. Liu-McCormack moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to amend the policy by adding a sentence at the beginning of the 4th paragraph, which reads: "The District shall conduct a Lexis/Nexis background check prior to

hiring a new employee." Following discussion, Mrs. Liu-McCormack withdrew her motion with the approval of the Board.

Original motion passed 7-2 (Mr. Patten, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Pytko, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Llewellyn against).

New Business

Approval of Amended 2017-2018 Calendar

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Aysseh seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the amended 2017-2018 Calendar."

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Aysseh seconded to amend the calendar and do the following: add October 9 as a full professional development day; move the last day of school to June 13; and eliminate the early release dates of May 22, March 13, January 30 and October 17. Following discussion, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly withdrew her motion with the approval of the Board.

Mr. Patten moved to remove October 17 professional development day and add a full day of professional development on October 9. There was no second to the motion.

Original motion to approve the amended 2017-2018 Calendar passed 9-0

Approval of Participation in the Healthy Food Certification Program

Mr. Patten moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve participation in the Healthy Food Certification Program for the school year 2017-2018 with the exclusion of the sale of food and the sale of beverages not listed in section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes: 1) sold in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) such sale is at the location of the event, and 3) such food is not sold from a vending machine or school store." Motion passed 8-0-1 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Pytko, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Ms. Karnal abstained).

Approval of Lunch Price Increase

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mrs. Aysseh seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the increase in lunch prices as enclosed." Motion passed 6-1-2 (Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Pytko, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Ms. Karnal against; Mrs. Liu-McCormack and Mr. Llewellyn abstained).

At 10:55PM Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mr. Patten seconded to suspend the rules and extend the meeting indefinitely. Motion passed 9-0.

2017-2018 Budget Review and Approval

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Aysseh seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the \$33K reduction as enclosed." Motion passed 9-0.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Regular Minutes of May 23, 2017

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2017." Motion passed 5-2-1 (Mr. Patten, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Aysseh, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, and Mr. Llewellyn against; Ms. Karnal abstained, Ms. Pytko was not present for the vote).

Board Discussion Regarding Collective Bargaining Negotiations

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education hereby moves to enter into Executive Session to discuss superintendent evaluation in accordance with Connecticut General Statute CGS 1-210(b)(9). Motion passed 9-0. The Board went into executive session at 12:05AM

The Board came out of executive session at 1:05AM

Adjournment

Mr. Patten moved/Mr. Aysseh seconded the recommended motion "that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn." Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:05AM