Regular Meeting Notes Fairfield BoE; November 25, 2014

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

Acting Chairwoman Jessica Gerber called the Regular meeting to order at 8:05PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack (left the meeting at 10:25PM), Jessica Gerber, Philip Dwyer, Paul Fattibene, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly, John Llewellyn and Marc Patten. Mr. Convertito and Ms. Karnal were not present. Others present were Superintendent David Title, members of the central office leadership team, student representatives Tyler Shuster (FWHS) and Suzanne Finnerty (FLHS) as well as approximately 40 members of the public.

Old Business

Second Reading of Policy #5516-Students-Students with Health Care Needs – Life Threatening Allergies and Glycogen Storage Disease Management Policy

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion: "that the Board of Education approve Policy #5516-Students-Students with Health Care Needs – Life Threatening Allergies and Glycogen Storage Disease Management Policy"

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mr. Dwyer seconded to postpone a vote on the Policy until the next Regular Board meeting; Mr. Fattibene then withdrew the motion.

Mr. Patten moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded to Remove language from Section V.C.2: -- Final two sentences in their entirety: "Notwithstanding the above, it shall not be the responsibility of the faculty or staff of any elementary school to read student provided food labels or to ascertain whether or not student provided food items contain tree nuts and peanuts. It is the obligation of each parent to determine the content of the food items they provide to their child." And

Insert language in the same place: "Faculty and staff shall use their best efforts to ensure that no food items containing tree nuts and peanuts are present in elementary classrooms. The District, in partnership with school staff, shall counsel all parents against providing children with food items containing tree nuts and peanuts to consume as classroom snacks; all parents share in the responsibility of keeping children safe in the classroom by complying with this policy.

The District shall indemnify and hold harmless any faculty or staff member form any claim for personal injuries in accordance with CT Gen. Statute 10-235."

Mr. Llewellyn made a friendly amendment to withdraw the final line of the

amendment; the board accepted. The amendment, as amended:

Remove language from Section V.C.2: -- Final two sentences in their entirety: "Notwithstanding the above, it shall not be the responsibility of the faculty or staff of any elementary school to read student provided food labels or to ascertain whether or not student provided food items contain tree nuts and peanuts. It is the obligation of each parent to determine the content of the food items they provide to their child." And

Insert language in the same place: "Faculty and staff shall use their best efforts to ensure that no food items containing tree nuts and peanuts are present in elementary classrooms. The District, in partnership with school staff, shall counsel all parents against providing children with food items containing tree nuts and peanuts to consume as classroom snacks; all parents share in the responsibility of keeping children safe in the classroom by complying with this policy."

passed 6-1 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn, Mr. Patten in favor; Mr. Dwyer against).

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mr. Dwyer seconded to postpone the vote on the policy to the next regular Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, December 9.

Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes of October 21, 2014 Special Meeting

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Dwyer seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the **Special Meeting** of October 21, 2014" Motion passed 6-0 (Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack was not present for this vote)

Approval of Minutes of October 21, 2014 Regular Meeting

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/ Mr. Dwyer seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of October 21, 2014" Motion passed 6-0 (Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack was not present for this vote)

Approval of Minutes of the November 12, 2014 Special Meeting

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/ Mr. Dwyer seconded the recommended

DRAFT

motion "that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the **Special Meeting** of November 12, 2014" Motion passed 6-0 (Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack was not present for this vote)

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:15PM. Motion passed 4-2 (Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn, Mr. Patten in favor; Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene against; Mrs. Liu-McCormack was not present for this vote).

Adjournment

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded the recommended motion "that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn." Motion passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:00PM.