Regular Meeting Notes Fairfield BoE; January 13, 2015

<u>Call to order of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education and Roll</u> Call

Chairman Philip Dwyer called the Regular meeting to order at 7:35PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack, John Convertito, Donna Karnal, Jessica Gerber, Philip Dwyer, Paul Fattibene, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly, John Llewellyn and Marc Patten (arrived 8:15PM). Others present were Superintendent David Title, members of the central office leadership team, student representatives Tyler Shuster (FWHS), Max Kutsch and Suzanne Finnerty (FLHS) as well as approximately 100 members of the public.

Old Business

Approval of BOE Capital Non-Recurring Projects 2015-2016

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion: "That the Board of Education approve the BOE Capital Non-Recurring Projects for 2015-2016"

Motion passed 6-1-2 (Mr.Fattibene, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Ms. Karnal against; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Llewellyn abstained).

New Business

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to move the approval of item 7C to in front of item 7A.

Motion failed 4-5 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Fattibene, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against).

At 10:55PM, Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded to suspend the rules to extend the meeting.

Motion passed 6-3 (Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn against).

Approval of By-Law Amendment: Article I, Section 2

Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the By-Law amendment to Article I, Section 2, per Enclosure No. 2"

Mr. Patten made a friendly amendment to change B.1. to read "Request information and data gathered by District staff that helps the Board

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members make better-informed decisions." The Board accepted the amendment.

Motion as amended passed 5-4 (Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Fattibene, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn against).

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to challenge the ruling of the Chair, and allow public comment to take place on all voting items. Motion passed 5-4 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Fattibene, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Convertito, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against)

Approval of By-Law Amendment: Article V, Section 6

Mr. Dwyer moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion "that the Board of Education approve the By-Law amendment to Article V, Section 6, per Enclosure No. 3".

Mrs. Liu-McCormack moved/Ms. Karnal seconded to amend Article V, Section 6 by striking A. 2 and inserting the new A.2, which will read "The agenda of Board meetings shall also include an item for public comments and petitions regarding any topic or issue germane to the operation of the School District."

Motion failed 4-5 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Fattibene, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against).

Motion passed 5-4 (Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Fattibene, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn against).

Adjournment

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Ms. Karnal seconded the recommended motion: "that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn." Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:50AM.