

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
501 Kings Highway East, Suite 210, Fairfield, CT

**Policy Committee Meeting**

Monday, November 18, 2013  
4:15 p.m.

**Minutes**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 4:25 p.m.  
In attendance were committee members Jennifer Kennelly, Chairperson, Paul Fattibene, John Convertito (arrived at 4:40). Karen Parks was in attendance representing the administration. Also in attendance were Phillip Dwyer, BOE Chairman, Sue Brand, BOE member, Suzanne Miska, and Mark Patten.
- II. Approval of Minutes: 2:0:0
- III. Policy: Jennifer Kennelly suggested that the committee move to the BOE Mission and Goals for discussion since there were several members of the public in attendance who served on the committee. The members discussed the draft document titled “Draft Proposal, August 2013, and reviewed all of the past changes. The group was in agreement with the changes made on this proposal for the Mission and Long Term Goal. There was significant discussion on Goal One and the group was unable to agree on a general statement for the goal but felt strongly that the bullets needed to be divided into 2 sub-categories entitled “motivation to learn” and “global citizenship”. John Convertito suggested that the bullets listed under Goal One should be considered the educational goals for the district and that Goals Two and Three are really subsets under Goal One, consisting of the skills and knowledge related to acquiring the 7 bullets under Goal One. There was additional discussion on some of the wording of the bullets under Goal One as well as the wording in the bullets listed under Goal Two. John Convertito indicated that he would re-format the goals for the next meeting to share his thoughts with the group on how Goal One bulleted list should be the over-riding goals with the lists under Goals Two and Three as supporting those goals.
  - Policy #5519 Students - Wellness
  - BOE Mission and Goals – Continued discussion
- IV. Open Discussion/Public Comment  
There were several comments related to the intent of the language in the goals from various members of the public who served on the Mission and Goals Committee, including Sue Brand, Suzanne Miska, and Mark Patten.
- V. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.