

Voting Summary

Organizational/Regular Meeting Notes Fairfield BoE; December 10, 2013

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

Chairman Philip Dwyer called the Organizational/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. Others present were Dr. Title, members of the Central Office Leadership Team, student representatives Ethan King and Bill Moeder and approximately 25 members of the public.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 26, 2013.

Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Organizational/Regular Meeting of November 26, 2013.” Mr. Llewellyn stated he wished to amend the minutes, as did Mrs. Liu-McCormack. Mr. Dwyer asked them to submit their amendments in writing to the Secretary in advance so that they could be checked with the tapes. Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded to postpone consideration of the minutes until the next Regular Board meeting. Motion passed 9-0.

Old Business

Approval of the 2014-2015 Student Calendar

Mr. Convertito moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the 2014-2015 Student Calendar as proposed”

Ms. Karnal moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to amend the calendar and change the first day of school to Tuesday, September 3 2014, and the last day of school to Tuesday, June 16, 2015. Motion failed 3-6 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against)

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to extend the meeting to 11:30PM. Motion passed 5-4 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against).

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

Mrs. Liu-McCormack moved/Ms. Karnal seconded to amend the calendar and extend February break in the following way: move the professional development day for elementary teachers from February 12 to February 13; move the professional development day for all certified staff from February 13 to February 19, and add February 17 and 18 as vacation days; and also to move the last day of school to Monday, June 15.

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

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to amend the calendar and move April break from April 13-17 to March 30-April 6. Motion passed 5-4 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Convertito, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mr. Patten against).

The main motion to approve the 2014-2015 Student Calendar as amended passed 5-4 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Convertito, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mr. Patten against).

Discussion and Approval of Board of Education By-Laws

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded to postpone this item to a Special Meeting called by the Chair at a date to be determined within 60 days. Motion passed 9-0

Adjournment

Ms. Karnal moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion “that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn”. Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned 11:28PM.