

# Voting Summary:

**Regular Meeting Notes  
Fairfield BoE; April 8, 2014**

**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 7:41PM. Present were members Eileen Liu-McCormack, John Convertito, Donna Karnal, Jessica Gerber (arrived 8:30PM), Philip Dwyer, Paul Fattibene, Jennifer Maxon-Kennelly, John Llewellyn and Marc Patten. Others present were Deputy Superintendent Karen Parks, members of the Central Office Leadership Team, student representatives Ethan King and Bill Moeder and approximately 20 members of the public.

Mr. Dwyer asked the Board for unanimous consent to move the approval of minutes to the end of the meeting; the Board agreed.

**Old Business**

***Approval of High School Grades 11-12 Math Curriculum***

Mr. Patten moved/Mr. Fattibene seconded the recommended motion, “that the Board of Education approve the High School Grades 11-12 Math Curriculum” Motion passed 9-0.

***Approval of Pre-Calculus Resource***

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion, “that the Board of Education approve the Glencoe Pre-Calculus: Common Core Edition text as outlined in the February 14, 2014 memo from Dr. Boice.” Motion passed 7-2. (Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Llewellyn against).

***Approval of Policy #5519 Students-Wellness.***

Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly moved/Mr. Convertito seconded the recommended motion, “that the Board of Education approve Policy #5519 Students-Wellness.” Motion passed 9-0.

**New Business**

***Establish Date and Time of Fairfield Ludlowe High School and Fairfield Warde High School Graduation***

Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education establish June 18 at 6:00PM as the date and time of graduation for Fairfield Ludlowe High School and Fairfield Warde High School Class of 2014.” Motion passed 9-0.

***Presentation and Submission Approval of the Teacher Evaluation Plan***

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Convertito seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve the submission of the Fairfield Teacher Evaluation Plan to the CT State Department of Education”

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Ms. Karnal seconded to postpone this item to the next regular BoE meeting. This motion

passed 8-1 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Patten against).

***Approval of RYASAP 2014 Profiles of Student Life Survey***

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly seconded the recommended motion “that the Board of Education approve student participation in the RYASAP 2014 Profiles of Student Life Survey.”

Mr. Llewellyn moved/Mr. Convertito seconded to amend the main motion and add the wording to the end of the motion – “and that MS students will receive emails through Infinite Campus with the passive opt-out letter, and the letter will also be posted to Infinite Campus.” This amendment was approved by unanimous consent.

Ms. Karnal moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to amend the motion to say that, in addition to handing out the survey, there would also be a teacher debriefing with students the following class. Mrs. Liu-McCormack made a friendly amendment to change the wording to “there would be a brief debrief from the teacher to provide closure to the survey.” The proposed amendment 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).

The original motion, as amended – “that the Board of Education approve student participation in the RYASAP 2014 Profiles of Student Life Survey, and that MS students will receive emails through Infinite Campus with the passive opt-out letter, and the letter will also be posted to Infinite Campus” – passed 8-0-1 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn, Mr. Patten in favor; Ms. Karnal abstained).

Mrs. Gerber moved/Ms. Karnal seconded to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:30PM. Mr. Fattibene moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to amend the motion to eliminate the end time. The amendment passed 5-4 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Fattibene, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against). The amended motion to suspend the rules and extend the end time of the meeting indefinitely passed 8-1 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Llewellyn, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Gerber against).

**Approval of Minutes**

***Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2014***

Mrs. Gerber moved/Mr. Convertito seconded the recommended motion, “that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2014.”

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mrs. Liu-McCormack seconded to amend the minutes and substitute the word “will” for “may” on page 4, Superintendent’s Report, second paragraph, last line. Motion failed 4-5 (Mrs. Liu-McCormack, Ms. Karnal, Mr. Fattibene, Mr. Llewellyn in favor; Mr. Convertito, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten against).

Mr. Fattibene moved/Mr. Llewellyn seconded to amend the minutes and add the following language to page 6, Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2014, second paragraph:

*Mr. Fattibene stated that FAIRTV did not record the votes for the meeting to adjourn, and the Board of*

Education by-laws, Article V, section 1, require meetings to adjourn at 11:00pm unless there is a 2/3 vote to suspend the rule and do not require a specific time or prevent meetings from being ~~re-~~ further extended.

Mr. Fattibene additionally commented that public comment should be taken after any agenda item, as proposed or amended, that the Board has discussed and will be acting upon to vote according to Section 6 of our by-laws, even if an operational motion.

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

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

***Approval of Minutes of March 18, 2014***

Mr. Convertito moved/Mrs. Gerber seconded the recommended motion, “that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 18, 2014.” Motion passed 7-0-2 (Mr. Convertito, Ms. Karnal, Mrs. Gerber, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fattibene, Mrs. Maxon-Kennelly, Mr. Patten in favor; Mrs. Liu-McCormack and Mr. Llewellyn abstained).

**Adjournment**

Ms. Karnal moved/Mr. Patten seconded the recommended motion “that this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourn”. Motion passed 9-0. Meeting adjourned 11:50PM.