FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 23, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Kuechler, Mr. Roderick, Mrs. McKenna Mr. Monroe, Mr. Veitch, Mrs. Powers

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Baldwin, Mr. Kitchen, Mrs. Tavares

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OTHERS PRESENT: Alyssa Botelho, Student Advisory Representative, Kim Leblanc, FEA President, Diane Hahn, Parent, Tatiana Andrade, Parent, Michelle Pavlic, Teacher

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: McKenna, Powers, Veitch, Roderick, Monroe, Kuechler

Motion made by Mrs. McKenna and seconded by Mrs. Powers to approve the March 8, 2016 executive session School Committee minutes. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mr. Monroe to approve the March 8, 2016 regular session School Committee minutes. Voted 6-0 unanimously

During the public comment section of the meeting, Mrs. Diane Hahn requested permission to ask questions during the public hearing session of the budget hearing regarding the student services plan. Mrs. Kuechler approved her request.

Alyssa Botelho, student representative informed the School Committee of recent and upcoming events taking place at FHS.

Dr. Baldwin gave the School Committee a detailed presentation regarding the Student Services Plan. A small discussion took place.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe and seconded by Mr. Veitch to suspend the regular School Committee meeting and open the FY 2017 budget hearing. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe and seconded by Mrs. Powers to begin the FY 2017 budget hearing. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Mrs. Kuechler announced the open Public Hearing of the FY'17 Budget. Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee that the proposed FY'17 budget figure represented a 3.5% increase from the FY'16 budget. The FY 2017 Preliminary Draft Figure presented to the Fairhaven School Committee was $19,385,788.

Mrs. Kuechler invited the public to ask questions. Mrs. Diane Hahn approached the podium and stated her opinion about the student services plan. Mr. Furtado, asked Dr. Baldwin regarding teachers being allowed to bring their non-resident students to school in Fairhaven. Dr. Baldwin explained that there is a clause in the contract that allows decisions to be made based on class sizes.

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mrs. Powers to close the public hearing on the FY'17 Budget. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mr. Monroe to re-adjourn the regular School Committee meeting. Voted 6-0 unanimously

The meeting was reconvened by the Chair.

Roll Call: Mrs. McKenna, Mrs. Powers, Mr. Veitch, Mr. Roderick, Mr. Monroe
Mrs. Kuechler

Dr. Baldwin informed the School Committee of the new provisions to our School Residency Statement. The School Committee received the revised version and placed it on file.

Mr. Kitchen asked to table the girls freshman softball position until the next meeting.

The School Committee wished Mr. Roderick the best of luck on his future endeavors.

Motion made by Mr. Roderick and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to adjourn the regular School Committee meeting and go into executive session for contractual issues and return into regular session. Roll call: McKenna-yes, Powers-yes, Veitch-yes, Roderick-yes, Monroe-yes, Kuechler-yes Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Monroe and seconded by Mr. Veitch to re-adjourn the regular School Committee meeting. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Roderick and seconded by Mrs. McKenna to move forward with the negotiated contract for Dr. Baldwin and to approve the extended contract as negotiated. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Motion made by Mr. Veitch and seconded by Mr. Monroe to adjourn the regular School Committee meeting. Roll call: McKenna-yes, Powers-yes, Veitch-yes, Roderick-yes, Monroe-yes, Kuechler-yes. Voted 6-0 unanimously

Adjourned 8:08p.m.

Robert Baldwin, Ed.D
Secretary to the School Committee
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