

Milford Board of Education

Special Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2014

Board members present:

Tracy Casey
Michael DeGrego
John DeRosa
Suzanne DiBiase
Laura Fucci
Dr. Heidi Gold-Dworkin
Susan Glennon, Chair
Anthony Piselli
Christopher Saley
Earl Whiskeyman

Administration present:

Dr. Elizabeth Feser
Michael Cummings
James Richetelli
Susan Kelleher
Wendy Kopazna

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Glennon called the Special Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Glennon reiterated Special Meetings are limited to the discussion of agenda items. She then asked Mr. Saley for a motion who deferred to Mr. DeRosa.

II. DISCUSSION OF CHANGING THE [BUDGET] ASSUMPTIONS AND PRIORITIES FOR THE ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR 2014-15 AS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS MR. CHRISTOPHER SALEY, DR. HEIDI GOLD-DWORKIN AND MR. JOHN DEROSA

Mr. DeRosa made motion to change the budget assumption “The school system will maintain its existing grade structure (K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12)” to add “and/or K-5, 6-8, 9-12.” Mr. Piselli seconded.

Mr. DeRosa explained the reason for his request to change the assumption is to get a commitment from the Board that the structure of the school system will change.

A Board discussion ensued.

Comments were then offered by Dr. Feser, several administrators and the president of the MEA, with their consensus being that more time is needed to make any changes and their hope is that the configuration will not be changed before September 2015.

Mr. DeRosa suggested he amend his motion to remove the assumption altogether.

Mr. DeRosa then amended his motion to remove the budget assumption “The school system will maintain its existing grade structure (K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12)”. Mr. Piselli seconded.

Further discussion ensued.

Approved

Ms. DiBiase requested a brief recess.

Ms. Glennon called for a recess at 8:15 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 8:25 p.m.

Mr. DeRosa withdrew the motion to remove the assumption.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Fucci a motion to adjourn. Mr. Piselli seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Mrs. Pam Griffin
Recording Secretary

Ms. Laura Fucci
Corresponding Secretary