

Legislative Council

Education subcommittee

Special meeting

3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT

Monday April 4, 2022

Minutes

Present: Phil Carroll, Michelle Embree Ku, Lisa Kessler, Dan Honan, William DeRosa, Angela Curie, Guest- BOE chair-Deborra Zukowski, (Superintendent- Lorrie Rodrigue , and Business Director Tanja Vadas by zoom),and Dan Wiedemann

Call To Order: Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM

Salute to the Flag:

Motion to accept Minutes of March 30,2022 made by William DeRosa, seconded by Angela Curie. All approve.

We discussed additional questions and answers that were submitted by council members, with answers from the BOE and administration in great detail with a few additional Qs and As that came up due to some of the explanations of some of the Qs and As that were submitted.

Motions: William DeRosa made a motion to reduce the increase to the BOE budget by \$557,195. The motion was seconded by Angela Curie. It was suggested to reduce the 8 additional FTE at a cost of \$487,195 and \$70,000 from building and site additional cost on projects over last years cost for the same projects. There was a robust discussion on the motion. Michelle Ku proposed an amendment to the original motion to reduce the increase to the BOE budget by \$200,000 it was seconded by Dan Honan. The amendment to the motion failed 2 to 4. With Ms. Ku and Mr. Honan voted yes and Mr. DeRosa, Ms. Kessler, Ms. Curie, and Mr. Carroll voted no. The vote on the original motion to reduce the BOE budget increase by \$557,195 passed 4 to 2. Ms. Ku, and Mr. Honan voted no, Mr. DeRosa, Ms. Curie, Ms. Kessler, and Mr. Carroll voted yes.

Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM

Philip Carroll - Chairman Legislative Council Education Subcommittee