NEW FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION NEW FAIRFIELD, CT

The New Fairfield Board of Education held a special meeting on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the New Fairfield Middle School, 56 Gillotti Road, New Fairfield, CT.

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PRESENT: Dominic Cipollone (Chairman), Kathy Baker, Kimberly LaTourette, Sue Huwer, Amy Johnson

ABSENT: Greg Flanagan, Samantha Mannion, Ed Sbordone, Stephanie Strazza

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Kenneth Craw, Director of Business and Operations Carrie DePuy, New Fairfield Middle School Principal Karen Gruetzner, New Fairfield Middle School Assistant Principal Steven Groccia, Director of Technology Paul Gouveia, Director of Facilities Joe Lombardozzi and members of the public

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Dominic Cipollone called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. NEW FAIRFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL WALK THROUGH

Karen Gruetzner took us for a tour of the new orchestra room (previously in a hallway), lesson room shared with OT & PT, the Project Reach classroom (moved from a cart), and the Intervention Room. These have all been used for offices and are now back to being classrooms.

We then visited the STEAM room, redone by our in-house crew previously, and the Media Center which is now fully staffed again.

Then we entered the old MS cafeteria that is now the chorus and general music room. This will become three rooms in the near future (orchestra, chorus, general music and provide storage as well).

Last visit was the servery and the old high school cafeteria that now serves Grades 6 through 8. Members of the tour were also able to view the possible space and design for the district offices. Ken spoke of the benefits for the district, as well as the possible town benefits with opening up space at the Annex.

III. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Dom Cipollone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m. Kathy Baker seconded the motion. **IN FAVOR:** Dominic Cipollone, Kathy Baker, Sue Huwer, Amy Johnson, Kimberly LaTourette,

Respectfully submitted, Kimberly LaTourette