



# Lowell City Council

## *EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS SC*

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City Clerk

**Date:** February 27, 2018  
**Time:** 5:30 PM  
**Location:** City Council Chamber  
375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

### **PRESENT:**

Present on Roll Call were Chairman Kennedy, and C. Leahy. 1 absent (C. Conway). Also present were C. Nuon, C. Mercier, M. Samaras, C. Cirillo, C. Milinazzo and Prof. John Wooding (UML).

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chairman Kennedy called the meeting to order in the Council Chamber.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

C. Kennedy noted that meeting would be a discussion of making Lowell a global learning city. Prof. Wooding made following entitled "Lowell: First City of Learning in the USA". Prof. Wooding noted the designation was made by UNESCO and done once every three years. Prof. Wooding noted that the process would begin with a Festival of Learning to be held in the City and that Lowell would be well suited for such a designation. Prof. Wooding described Cork, Ireland as such a city and how it has thrived under that designation. Prof. Wooding described the process and how the resources needed were already present in Lowell. Prof. Wooding described the benefits it would render to Lowell. C. Leahy noted it was a worthwhile endeavor and questioned time frame for all events. C. Kennedy noted tight time frame for an April festival and Prof. Wooding indicated that steps have begun. C. Kennedy commented on Cork event and that he would present the matter before the full Council and to the City Manager. M. Samaras noted positive effect on the City and that the City is well placed for such an endeavor. C. Cirillo noted it promotes the City favorably and has great possibility.



**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion** "To Adjourn" by C. Leahy, seconded by C. Kennedy. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 6:07 PM.

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