



LOWELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date:	June 8, 2023
Time:	7:30PM
Location:	City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA 01852

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1. SALUTE TO FLAG

2. ROLL CALL

On a roll call at 7:35 p.m., members present were, namely: Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson and Mayor Chau. Mr. Lay via zoom at 7:38 p.m.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

3.1. Discussion of process for selecting the Interim Superintendent, consideration of applicants and selection of applicants for interviews.

Dr. Hall stated that he spoke with the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) and that they agreed that they would call the applicants to let them know that this would be a public process. He stated that all the applicants agreed to their applications being forwarded to the Committee as well as allowing their application to be public. He stated that at this point the Committee is in full control of the process. He stated that all Lowell residents that apply should be interviewed and that the Committee should plan on interviewing three (3) to six (6) applicants and that the candidates should not be publicly ranked. He stated that Mr. Lay isn't able to attend any proceedings regarding this until after June 16, 2023.

Ms. Martin made a motion to interview all three (3) internal candidates on June 24, 2023; seconded by Ms. Doherty. 7 yeas APPROVED

Ms. Doherty made a motion to vote on each of the below candidates one (1) by one (1) and to invite the chosen candidates to be interviewed; seconded by Ms. Martin. 7 yeas APPROVED



1. Maureen Binienda 5 yeas, 1 nay (Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
2. Laryssa Doherty 3 yeas, 3 nays (Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
3. Maricel Goris 1 yea, 5 nays (Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Lay, Ms. Martin), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
4. John Gould 6 nays (Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Lay, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
5. Kevin McCaskill 5 yeas, 1 nay (Ms. Doherty), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
6. Kimberly Organek 1 yea, 5 nays (Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Lay, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
7. Jannell Pearson-Campbell 5 yeas, 1 nay (Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
8. Anthony Pope 6 nays (Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Lay, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)
9. Arthur Stellar 6 nays (Ms. Chhoun, Ms. Delrossi, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Lay, Ms. Martin, Ms. Thompson), 1 present (Mayor Chau)

Maureen Binienda, Kevin McCaskill and Jannell Pearson-Campbell are the top three (3) candidates (per the above vote) and will be interviewed on Saturday, June 24, 2023 starting at 9:00 a.m.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Delrossi made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.; seconded by Ms. Thompson. 7 yeas APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,

Joel D. Boyd, Ed.D., Superintendent and
Secretary to the Lowell School Committee

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