

From the Office of the Executive Secretary to the School Committee

School Committee - Regular Meeting

December 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Held in and broadcast from the Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, Cambridge Rindge, and Latin School, 459 Broadway, Cambridge. To sign up to call in using the ZOOM app on your computer or mobile device: visit www.cpsd.us/school_committee/virtual

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A G E N D A

1 Public Comment (3 minutes):

2. Student School Committee Report:

3. Presentation of Records for Approval:

- Novemer 12, 2024, Special Meeting
- November 19, 2024, Regular Meeting

4. Reconsiderations: None

5. Unfinished Business/Calendar:

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| Late Order | 2024 Superintendent Search Timeline |
| | Joint Motion by Member Rojas and Member Rachel |
| #24-227 | Late Order revised with additional documentation from Mayor Simmons |
| #24-241 | Six Minutes Public Comment CEA President
Member Weinstein and Member Rojas |
| #24-243 | Superintendent Search Process
Member Hudson, Member Weinstein and Member Rachel |
| #24-245 | Public Speaking Time
Member Hudson |
| #24-259 | Tobin Montessori Preliminary Report
Member Hudson and Member Harding |
| #24-285 | Public Comment Time Limit
Mayor Simmons and Vice Chair Hunter |
| Late Order | Reaffirming CPSD's Values as a Welcoming District
Member Rachel, Member Rojas, Mayor Simmons |

6. Awaiting Reports: None

7. 7a. Superintendent's Update:

Update on pending matters and highlight various initiatives taking place across CPS school communities to advance the district strategic priorities for the 2024 -2025 school year.

7b. Presentations:

Following the previous three presentations focused on district and school-based performance data, the district administration will present information related to the systemic structures, practices and variables contributing to the environment in which all CPS schools function, including but not limited to the district's policies, enrollment trajectory and facilities' operations. The presentation will also further distinguish between the two schools profiled at the November 19th meeting of the School Committee, the Kennedy Longfellow School and the Fletcher Maynard Academy, to examine why different strategies should be employed to support the students currently assigned to these respective schools as well as others across the Cambridge Public Schools

David Murphy, Interim Superintendent of Schools

7c. CPS District Plan: None

7d. Consent Agenda:

- #24-289 Recommendation: Approval of Revisions to the Food Service Policy (Second Reading)
- #24-290 Recommendation: Contract Award: Day & Residential Program Services not Available From the Cambridge School Department
- #24-291 Recommendation: Gifts/Miscellaneous Receipts
- #24-292 Recommendation: Grant Award: FY25 Municipal Local Cybersecurity Grant STATE MATCH (SC25862)

8. Non-Consent Agenda:

9. School Committee Agenda (Policy Matters/Notifications/Requests for Information):

- #24-293 November 14, 2024, Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee Report
- #24-294 Teacher Evaluation System Roundtable – Member Harding

WHEREAS: Cambridge Public Schools and the School Committee value our educators and are committed to supporting their professional growth and enhancing the learning experiences of our students; and

WHEREAS: Significant information regarding the current teacher evaluation system was presented at the Curriculum and Achievement Subcommittee Meeting on October 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS: It is essential to share this information more broadly with the Committee and the community to foster a meaningful, substantive discussion; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the administration, in collaboration with the Executive Secretary of the School Committee, schedule a roundtable discussion by March 1, 2024, to provide an overview of the current teacher evaluation system.

10. Resolutions (letters of congratulations, letters of condolences): None

11. Announcements:

12. Late Orders:

13. Communications and Reports from City Officers: None