

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION
OF THE MALDEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Monday, August 12, 2024
Meeting Room 3 #113 - 215 Pleasant Street

Mayor Christenson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call

The following attendance was taken:

Mayor Christenson	Present
Mr. Drummey	Present
Mr. McCarthy	Present
Ms. Spadafora	Present
Ms. Macklin	Remote
Ms. Hortie	Present
Mr. Gray	Remote
Mr. Bernard	Present
Ms. Rose-Zeiberg	Remote
Superintendent Sippel	Present
Attorney Greenspan	Present

1. Pursuant to M.G.L Chapter 30A Section 21(a) (3) to discuss strategy sessions in preparation for contract negotiations with non-union personnel (Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning)

Superintendent Sippel presented his recommendation for the Assistant Superintendent of Schools of Teaching and Learning and recommended Komal Bhasin to the School Committee. Superintendent Sippel reviewed the search process and the use of a screening committee during the first round. The screening committee moved forward to the leadership team consisting of two principals as well as the Superintendent's leadership team. Superintendent Sippel thought that Ms. Bhasin was by far the best candidate and recommended Ms. Bhasin for approval. Attorney Howard Greenspan reviewed the contract and the term and the financial aspects of the contract. Ms. Macklin discussed the term of the contract and the initial Assistant Superintendent contracts of the previous Superintendent of one year. Superintendent Sippel also stated the candidate's experience with English language learners which he thought would be a significant benefit for the district.

Mr. Drummey made the motion to approve the contract of the Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, effective September 3, 2024 for a term of three years. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bernard and a roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey voted Yes
Mr. McCarthy voted Yes
Ms. Spadafora voted Yes
Ms. Macklin voted Yes
Ms. Hortie voted Yes
Mr. Gray voted Yes
Mr. Bernard voted Yes
Ms. Rose-Zeiberg voted Yes
Mayor Christenson voted Yes
The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Drummey made the motion to adjourn executive session. The motion was seconded by

Mr. McCarthy. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey – Yes

Mr. McCarthy – Yes

Ms. Spadafora – Yes

Ms. Macklin – Yes

Ms. Hortie – Yes

Mr. Gray – Yes

Mr. Bernard – Yes

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg – Yes

Mayor Christenson – Yes

The committee reconvened to the Regular Session at 6:20 p.m.

I certify that a notice of this meeting was filed with the Clerk of the City of Malden in the manner provided under Chapter 39, Section 23A of the General Laws.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Spadafora". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jennifer Spadafora

**School Committee Vice Chair and
Acting Clerk**