

Malden School Committee
Equity & Opportunity Ad-hoc Subcommittee

Thursday, Mar 17, 2022
6:00pm EST

Location: Zoom Webinar Remote Participation

Attendees: Ms. Jennifer Spadafora (Chair), Ms. Dawn Macklin, Mr. Keith Bernard, Superintendent Noriega-Murphy

Invited Guests: Mr. Adam Weldai, Assistant Superintendent Laryssa Doherty, Assistant Superintendent Emilys Pena

Agenda

1. Linden Accelerated and Enriched Academic Program (AEAP)

The chair called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Ms. Spadafora introduced Mr. Adam Weldai, former chair of the Equity & Opportunity Ad-hoc Subcommittee, to speak and bring the members and public up to speed on AEAP since the last vote in March 2021. Due to COVID and MPS being in a hybrid model, the AEAP program was paused for accepting new students into the program. Mr. Weldai also noted that the subcommittee had been working with former Asst. Superintendent Kelly Chase on how to make the program equitable for all students. Superintendent Noriega Murphy provided a presentation on the demographics of those attending the program. Ms. Spadafora then opened the floor for discussion with panelists and guests.

Ms. Spadafora made a motion to dissolve the Accelerated and Enriched Academic Program at the Linden school effective the 2022/2023 school year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bernard. The motion passed unanimously (Yes - Bernard, Macklin, Spadafora).

Mr. Bernard made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Macklin. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.