Malden School Committee

Equity & Opportunity Ad-hoc Subcommittee

Monday, April 27, 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: Assistant Superintendent Laryssa Doherty, Assistant Superintendent Pamela McDonald, Assistant Superintendent Emilys Pena

Ms. Spadafora called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Agenda

Public Comment

Ms. Spadafora opened the meeting up to public comment. Numerous Malden residents and MPS caregivers spoke for and against the Accelerated and Enriched Academic Program being housed at the Linden School.

Linden Accelerated and Enriched Academic Program (AEAP) Discussion

Superintendent Noriega Murphy discussed the asks of the committee from the prior meeting including details pertaining to students in the program with IEPs, current enrollment data and current curriculum. Assistant Superintendent Pena gave a brief overview of a meeting that was held at the Linden School including 19 educators of AEAP and school administrators, totaling 26 attendees. The meeting highlighted inaccuracies in the enrollment process, students staying in the program after testing and not meeting the rubrics to attend

Ms. Spadafora made a motion to end the Accelerated and Enriched Academic Program in its entirety. Ms. Macklin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call. (Yes - Bernard, Macklin, Spadafora).

Ms. Macklin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bernard seconded. Motion passed unanimously by roll call (Yes - Bernard, Macklin, Spadafora).

Meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.