MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE MALDEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Monday, May 2, 2022 Meeting Room 3 #113 - 215 Pleasant Street And Virtual Meeting

Mayor Christenson called the meeting to order at 9:25 p.m.

Roll Call

The following attendance was taken:

Mayor Christenson Present Mr. Drummey Present Mr. McCarthy Present Ms. Spadafora Present Ms. Macklin Present Mr. Weldai Present Mr. Grav Present Mr. Bernard Present Ms. Rose-Zeiberg Present Attorney Greenspan Present Superintendent Noriega-Murphy Present Assistant Superintendent Mertz Present Clerk Present

1. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of April 4, 2022

Mr. Bernard made the motion to approve the minutes for the April 4th, 2022 Executive Session of the School Committee. Ms. Spadafora seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey voted YES

Mr. McCarthy voted YES

Ms. Spadafora voted YES

Ms. Macklin voted YES

Mr. Weldai voted YES

Mr. Gray voted YES

Mr. Bernard voted YES

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg voted YES

Mayor Christenson voted YES

Motion passed unanimously.

2. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with Non-Union Personnel - Supervisor of Attendance because an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position and the chair so declares.

Superintendent Noriega-Murphy said that the Supervisor of Attendance, Mr. John Parcellin requested that his contract be extended to June 30, 2023. Superintendent Noriega-Murphy recommended that the contract be extended to January 31, 2023. In addition, Superintendent

Noriega-Murphy recommended that a replacement be hired soon in order to be trained by Mr. Parcellin for about 6 months.

In response to questions raised about the replacement, Superintendent Noriega-Murphy said that the replacement hire will be paid around \$60,000 and would not need any legal background because the courts provide legal assistance for students. Superintendent Noriega-Murphy added that guidance counselors will also be looking into attendance.

Mr. Drummey made a motion to extend the contract of the Supervisor of Attendance from July 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023. Mr. McCarthy seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey voted YES

Mr. McCarthy voted YES

Ms. Spadafora voted YES

Ms. Macklin voted YES

Mr. Weldai voted YES

Mr. Gray voted YES

Mr. Bernard voted YES

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg voted YES

Mayor Christenson voted YES

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Purpose 2 – To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with School Committee counsel because an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position and the chair so declares.

Mayor Christenson said that Attorney Greenspan requested an increase from \$200/hour to \$275/hour for services as his rates had not increased for more than 10 years. Discussion ensued about whether the increment was acceptable and if it could be deferred.

Ms. Spadafora made a motion to increase the hourly rate for School Committee counsel to \$275/hour effective July 1, 2022. Ms. Macklin seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey voted YES

Mr. McCarthy voted YES

Ms. Spadafora voted YES

Ms. Macklin voted YES

Mr. Weldai voted YES

Mr. Gray voted YES

Mr. Bernard voted YES

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg voted YES

Mayor Christenson voted YES

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Bernard made the motion to adjourn Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. Ms. Rose-Zeiberg seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Drummey voted YES

Mr. McCarthy voted YES

Ms. Spadafora voted YES

Ms. Macklin voted YES

Mr. Weldai voted YES

Mr. Gray voted YES

Mr. Bernard voted YES

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg voted YES

Mayor Christenson voted YES

Motion passed unanimously.

The committee reconvened to the Regular Session at 9:47 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.

Shirley Dorai, Clerk

