

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Official Report

Regular Meeting

September 17, 2013

Called for 6:00 PM in the Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, 459 Broadway, Cambridge for the purpose of discussing any and all business that may properly come before the Committee.

Members Present: Mr. Fantini, Mr. Harding ~~ABSENT~~, Mr. McGovern, Ms. Nolan, Mr. Osborne, Ms. Turkel, and Mayor Davis

Mayor Davis in the Chair

Also Present: Student School Committee Members Lucy Sternbach and Emily Gray

A quorum of the School Committee being present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Mr. Fantini moved suspension of the Rules to bring forward and place on the Calendar, **#13-160**. The Rules having been suspended for the purpose stated, it was voted that, **#13-160**, motion by Mr. Fantini, that the School Committee enter Executive Session for the purpose of an update on contract negotiations as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the collective bargaining positions of the School Committee be placed on the Calendar.

Mayor Davis announced that there would be a Special Meeting of the School Committee on October 1, 2013 for the purpose of an educational presentation by the Superintendent on the issue of increasing/extending instructional time.

The Chair returned to the regular order of business.

1. Public Comment:

The following individuals were heard:

- Freedom Baird, Reed Street, re Algebra 1
- John Delancey, Elm Street, re Algebra 1
- Heather Hoffman, Hurley Street, re Algebra 1
- Emily Dexter, Fenno Street, re Algebra 1

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Ms. Turkel, it was voted to close public comment.

2. Student School Committee Report:

Ms. Sternbach reported that tryouts were being held for the Modern Dance Company and for the Ragtime play; the boys' football team won its first home game, and the Glocal challenge will be starting up this Fall with winners going to China. Ms. Gray explained CRLS Aloha Day was last week and added that CRLS was having an Open House for parents that evening and that the College Fair would be held at the beginning of October.

3. Presentation of the Records for Approval:

On a motion by Ms. Nolan, seconded by Mr. Osborne, it was voted to accept, as presented, the Minutes of the following meetings.

- Regular Meeting – July 30, 2013 (corrected)
- Regular Meeting – September 3, 2013

4. Reconsiderations: None

5. Unfinished Business/Calendar:

It was moved by Ms. Nolan, seconded by Mr. McGovern, to remove **#13-135 (C13-201)** from the Calendar for adoption. On the following roll call, it was voted to adopt **#13-135, Special Needs Contracts for Day and Residential Program Services Not Available from the Cambridge School Department**: that the School Committee award contracts to the institutions on the list in amounts not to exceed the shown rates, having been approved by the Operational Services Division of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget:

1 student	EDCO	\$49,653.00
1 student	Judge Baker (Manville)	71,787.63
1 student	Learning Prep School	39,692.86
1 student	Schools for Children (Dearborn Academy)	62,252.79
1 student	Schools for Children (45 STEP Program)	192,150.00
2 students	SEEM Collaborative	93,218.40
2 students	SHORE Collaborative	83,679.66
<u>1 student</u>	<u>Walker School</u>	<u>81,999.99</u>
10 students		\$674,434.33

(Harding)(C13-201)

Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding ABSENT; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

Mr. Harding joined the meeting.

Mr. Fantini moved, seconded by Mr. McGovern, to remove from the Calendar for discussion and adoption **#13-143, Grant Award**, Exxon Mobil. Ms. Turkel addressed the issue of advertising in the schools. Ms. Spinner was heard. Mr. Fantini moved, seconded by Ms. Nolan, a friendly amendment that the grant be accepted under the conditions that the advertising be eliminated and that an appropriate thank you note is sent to Exxon. Ms. Turkel offered an additional friendly amendment asking that the Superintendent provide a revised "Public Gifts to School Policy". On the following roll call, it was voted to adopt **#13-143 Grant Award as amended**: that the School Committee accept and approve the grant award in the amount and for the period indicated under the condition that the advertising be eliminated and that an appropriate thank you note is sent to Exxon Mobil and that the Superintendent provide a revised "Public Gifts to Schools" policy:

Exxon Mobil, for the period February 28, 2013 to June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$500.00. Project/Grant SC14108.

Description: A small grant to the Tobin School from the Exxon Mobil station that neighbors the school to be used at the school's discretion. The Tobin will purchase science materials.

CPS Target Population: All K-5 students at the Tobin School.

Outcomes and Measures of Effectiveness: Additional science materials will support engagement in a range of science topics.

(Turkel)(C13-209)

Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA.

Ms. Turkel moved, seconded by Mr. McGovern, to remove from the Calendar for discussion, **C13-180, Field Trip Policy**. On Ms. Turkel's motion, seconded by Mr. McGovern, it was voted to substitute the Superintendent's revised Field Trip Policy which was sent out in the September 13th "Weekly" for the Field Trip Policy which was brought forward from the Calendar. Ms. Turkel brought forward amendments to the Superintendent's revised Field Trip Policy. Mayor Davis suggested that each of Ms. Turkel's revisions be taken up separately. Ms. Turkel moved the addition of the word "guardian" to "parent/parental" in the 2nd paragraph of page 1. Superintendent Young agreed to Ms. Turkel's friendly amendment. On Ms. Turkel's motion, seconded by Mr. McGovern, it was voted to amend the document with the addition of the word "guardian" as indicated. Discussion followed on Ms. Turkel's second amendment to the document which inserted language to the 5th paragraph on page 1 as follows: "No student shall be denied participation in a field trip or school-sponsored trip *that takes place during the school day* because of financial inability to pay". Dr. Young and Attorney MacFarlane were heard and discussed the need for clarification on this amendment. On Ms. Turkel's motion, seconded by Mr. Harding, it was voted to place Ms. Turkel's second amendment on the Calendar. Ms. Turkel brought forward her third amendment to the Superintendent's revised policy. On a motion by Ms. Turkel, seconded by Mr. McGovern, it was voted to combine Ms. Turkel's third and fourth amendments, since both are listed in the first paragraph of page 2 of the Superintendent's revised policy as follows: "No student shall be denied participation in a field trip or school sponsored trip as a consequence for previous behavior ~~for which he or she has already been disciplined.~~" "A student may only be denied... participation..., or if the student has breached the written agreement, student compact or student contract between the school and student regarding his/her behavior that has been developed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the student and his/her classmates and/or school staff while participating in the field trip and or school sponsored trip. *Any such a written agreement, student compact or student contract shall not be in effect until the document is signed by the student's parents/guardians and the parents/guardians is offered a meeting to discuss the feasibility of the student successfully meeting the requirements of the document, additionally the document when appropriate will include actions to be undertaken by school staff facilitate the student's success.*" It was voted to move Ms. Turkel's third and fourth amendments to the Calendar. Discussion continued with Dr. Young and Attorney MacFarlane. It was voted to move **C13-180, Field Trip Policy**, as substituted and amended, to the Calendar for a first reading.

FIELD TRIP POLICY

The Cambridge School Committee recognizes that first-hand experiences provided by field trips and school-sponsored trips are a most effective and worthwhile means of learning; therefore, the Cambridge School Committee encourages that field trips and school-sponsored trips of significant educational value, which are related to the total school program and curriculum, be encouraged under guidelines established by the Superintendent of Schools.

The guidelines established by the Superintendent of Schools shall address the process for screening, evaluating and approving field trips and school-sponsored trips in order to ensure that all reasonable steps are taken for the safety of the participants. Additionally, the guidelines should require the prior approval of all field trips or school-sponsored trips by the principal/head of upper school, and the prior approval by the Superintendent of Schools and/or his/her designee of all overnight and out-of-state or out-of-country trips. Furthermore, the guidelines shall establish procedures to assure that: (i) all students have parental permission for trips; (ii) all trips are properly supervised, (iii) all safety precautions are observed, (iv) all student files have been reviewed to determine if any accommodations or modifications are required in order for a student to participate in and access any field trip or school-sponsored trip; and (v) all trips contribute substantially to the educational program. Moreover, these administrative guidelines will be reviewed annually by an administrative working group consisting of the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and several principals/heads of upper schools, assistant principals and deans from the elementary, upper schools and high school and shall be updated as necessary. Field trips and school-sponsored trips shall not require approval of the Cambridge School Committee.

Approval of all field trips and school-sponsored trips shall be conditional. Approval for any field trip or school-sponsored trip may be revoked if a change in circumstances, whether man-made or natural, would

warrant cancellation of this field trip or school sponsored trip in the interest of the safety of the students and staff of the Cambridge Public Schools.

The Cambridge Public Schools and the Cambridge School Committee will not be responsible for any financial obligations incurred as a result of the planning of the field trip or school sponsored trip, or for any monies that are non-refundable or are otherwise lost due to the subsequent cancellation of the field trip or school sponsored trip.

No student shall be denied participation in a field trip or school-sponsored trip because of financial inability to pay the fee.

Each club, team or group is responsible for raising all of the money necessary to fund a field trip or school sponsored trip that is being proposed by a group of students. No fundraising or other preparations for a field trip or school sponsored trip should occur until the field trip or school sponsored trip has been approved. No financial support will be available from the Cambridge Public School Department or the Cambridge School Committee for any overnight, out-of-state or out-of-country travel.

No student shall be denied participation in a field trip or school-sponsored trip as a consequence for previous behavior for which he or she already has been disciplined. A student may only be denied permission to participate in a field trip or school-sponsored trip if he/she is currently serving a suspension, expulsion or other form of exclusion from school due to violation of any of the student codes of conduct in *Rights and Responsibilities Handbook* and/or school based rules at the time that the field trip is scheduled, or if the student has breached a written agreement, student compact or student contract between the school and the student regarding his/her behavior that has been developed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the student and his/her classmates and/or school staff while participating in the field trip and/or school-sponsored trip and the appropriate due process procedures have been followed with respect to the determination of this violation and the decision to deny participation in the field trip. If a student is denied permission to participate in a field trip or school-sponsored trip, this denial must automatically be reviewed by the school principal/head of upper school and, if the student has an individualized education program or a section 504 plan, also by the Assistant Superintendent for Student Services. After completion of such review, if the student is still denied permission to participate in a field trip or school-sponsored trip, the parent/guardian may immediately appeal such decision in accordance with the provisions of section 23 of the *Rights and Responsibilities Handbook* by filing a written complaint with the Superintendent or his/her designee. Any such appeal shall be heard promptly.

The Cambridge Public School Department and the Cambridge School Committee will not be responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of a chaperone's decision to send a student participant home earlier than the scheduled return date due to the student's unacceptable behavior. Students and their parents/guardians will be held responsible for any damage done to hotels, rental properties, real or personal property. Parents/guardians must agree to pay for any damages that may be done by their son/daughter and/or aid school officials in collecting money necessary to do so.

For all field trips requiring transportation, transportation must be provided by a common carrier that is licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is licensed for passenger transport by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, or in an approved Cambridge Public Schools licensed vehicle or by public transportation, such as the MBTA, bus, train or other form of public transportation. All charter services for field trips or school sponsored trips must be provided by a common carrier that is licensed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to provide charter services and is licensed for passenger transport by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. All vendors that provide transportation for field trips or school sponsored trips must provide evidence that their driver(s) are licensed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to drive the vehicles being used to provide the transportation for the field trips and/or the charter services for the field trips. All transportation vendors also must maintain liability insurance with a minimum of \$500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars) per occurrence for bodily injury. No transportation vendor shall be used to provide transportation and/or charter services for field trips or school sponsored trips if it has a rating of "conditional" or "unsatisfactory" issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. Nothing in this field trip policy should be construed to prohibit field trips where students travel by means of walking.

Use of privately owned vehicles or leased vans to transport students to and from field trips, athletic events or school sponsored trips are strictly prohibited, except in the case of a bona fide emergency. Determination of the existence of a bona fide emergency will be made by the Principal and/or Trip Leader if the Principal is not present. Staff and parents/guardians who use their own vehicles risk being legally liable for any injury a student sustains while in the vehicle.

Overnight accommodations should be made in advance with safety and security in mind and, whenever possible, travel between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. should be avoided, trip itineraries should leave enough room for drivers to rest in conformity with federal hour-of-service requirements and common sense and take into account the likelihood of delays due to weather, traffic and unanticipated factors.

LEGAL REFS: M.G.L.c. 71, §37N
Massachusetts Department of Education Model Policy

Members passed over the remaining item:

Motion by Mr. Fantini and Mr. Harding that each of the elementary and middle schools be provided with feedback in the form of a written report, provided by an expert consultant retained under the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, as to the progress each school is making towards meeting the data-driven, high-quality improvement strategies as noted in the School Improvement Plans, other guiding documents and other indicators as designated by the Superintendent, including parent satisfaction. Further, that the Superintendent shall provide copies of each report to the School Committee as part of its annual review of the School Improvement Plan as required by law. July 30, 2013

Further, the Superintendent shall provide analysis of the progress or lack thereof of student achievement.

(C13-183)

Mr. Fantini in the Chair

6. Superintendent's Report/Presentations/Consent Agenda:

Presentation:

➤ **Algebra Update**

Dr. Carolyn L. Turk, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Young stated that he was responding to the Members' questions raised at the last meeting and wanted to discuss the current state and future recommendations for eighth grade math. He is not looking for a vote on the Algebra proposal but asking for questions and feedback from the Members.

Dr. Turk explained that the process involved meetings which she and Dr. Huizenga had with Mr. Healy, Grade 8 math teachers, math coaches and heads of upper schools. Mr. Healy would be presenting the updated mathematics plan for grade 8 and the plan for moving forward in 2014-15. Dr. Turk introduced Student School Committee Member, Emily Gray, who was heard on the results of the survey done on how CRLS students felt about having honor classes in middle school.

Mr. Healy recognized members of his faculty present and walked the Members through the following presentation (copy on file in the School Committee office):

- Discussion Points
- Algebra 1 in 8th grade this year
- Proposal for this year
- Outside Perspectives
 - Common Core State Standards

- Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Proposal for Math 2014-2015
- Grade 6
- Grade 6 into Grade 7
- Grade 7
- Grade 7 into Grade 8
- Grade 8
- Grade 8 into Grade 9
- Implementation Plan

Mayor Davis in the Chair

Discussion took place around the following:

- Are we introducing two tracks
- Is this going to be a drastic change to our academic challenge policy
- Are we making sure every student has Algebra 1 or are we just offering it
- What is the selection process
- What will these students do when the rest of the class is at math
- Why can't we say every student has access to the Algebra 1 curriculum with the goal being that they score 80% or above to move on to Geometry Honors the next year
- Why can't we have two teachers in 8th grade for more support and differentiation
- How will a parent influence the decision on their child's math placement
- What's the reality of summer classes; not a good solution but an option
- I want to go back to academic policy that we have; I don't think we are implementing it
- Algebra 1 is the curriculum for regular kids in Grade 8
- Common Core says Algebra in 8th grade
- Not convinced about developmental piece
- Shouldn't have a system that allows some parents to push their kids to the front
- Teach honors level to everyone; give students in need of support the prep work necessary to be able to understand the content for the next class
- Structure shouldn't get kids to different places; don't separate them
- Would not want this as a change in the academic plan
- Common Core Curriculum is much more rigorous
- We should not have variable expectations for students
- Encouraged by use of term pacing
- We need a pathway of getting kids to Algebra 1
- What we are doing now is not working; why aren't more kids ready
- Only 11% of 8th graders were ready for geometry in 9th grade this past year
- All kids can get to Algebra 1; it's a question of when and how; some kids need more time
- Why aren't more kids taking on the challenge
- We have to honor this framework; need to be able to have students able to reach Calculus; some colleges require it for specific majors
- Need to be honest of where we are now; move forward
- Charter schools in Cambridge are offering advanced courses to students in the elementary grades
- System has to provide additional time opportunity for some students who may require it; look at other models
- We all want to see every student succeed
- Give goal and help student get there; let's do it
- Give students choice to take responsibility for their own achievement/education; give them options
- Middle school premature for students to make their own decision
- Algebra is the gateway; schools should be set up for child's success

The Chair thanked the Superintendent and his team for their presentation.

The Superintendent was heard. If he believes that the math program for next year would require a change, he will bring forward the Academic Challenge Policy with some recommended amendments. Ms. Turkel asked for clarification on the shift in this year's second semester proposal. The Superintendent will meet with his team and come to the next meeting with a decision concerning the short-term second semester proposal. The Members may forward their questions to him.

6a. Innovation Agenda:

Ms. Turkel asked if a list had been developed by the school administration with the City administration on issues that need to be addressed with the goal of development and implementation of a universal four year old program or programs beginning in September 2014 (SC Order #C13-147). If this list is available, she requested to see it before Monday's Roundtable Meeting with the City Council. The Mayor reported that there have been planning sessions and a number of issues will be addressed at Monday's Roundtable Meeting.

Mr. Harding moved suspension of the Rules, seconded by Mr. McGovern, to be recorded in the affirmative on all votes taken this evening. The Rules having been suspended for the purpose stated, it was voted to allow Mr. Harding to be voted in the affirmative on votes thus far.

The Chair returned to the regular order of business.

6b. Consent Agenda

On a motion by Mr. Harding, seconded by Ms. Turkel, it was voted to bring forward **items #13-146 through #13-158**. Ms. Turkel removed **#13-147, #13-150, and #13-153**; Ms. Nolan removed **#13-151 and #13-152**; and Mr. Osborne removed **#13-149**. On the follow roll call it was voted to adopt or place on the Calendar for a second reading the following: Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

Placed on the Calendar for a second reading:

#13-146, Approval of Criminal Offender Record Information Policies: that the School Committee approve the deletion of Criminal Offender Record Information Policy File GCFF from its Policy Manual as detailed in the document as it has been superseded by the School Committee's Criminal Offender Record Information Policy File ADDA that was approved on December 18, 2012 (first reading).

#13-148, Approval of Revisions to Anti-Bullying Policy: that the School Committee approve the revisions to the Anti-Bullying Policy as detailed in the document (first reading).

Adopted:

#13-154, Special Needs Contracts for Day and Residential Program Services not available from the Cambridge School Department: that the School Committee award contracts to the institutions on the list in amounts not to exceed the shown rates, having been approved by the Operational Services Division of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget:

Number of Students	Name of School	Amount
1	Justice Resource Center (The Victor School)	\$51,362.05
5	MAB Community Services (Ivy Street School)	327,198.20
1	Schools for Children	60,869.60
1	Willow Hill School	49,448.70

Max # of

Students Served		
5	Compass, Inc.	76,223.25
5	EDCO Collaborative	68,625.00
<u>14</u>	Schools for Children (S.T.E.P. Program)	<u>192,150.00</u>
Total 24		\$825,876.80

#13-155, Contract Award: that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for placement of volunteers, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Cambridge School Volunteers, 459 Broadway, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$151,365.00

#13-156, Contract Award: that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Academic enrichment program, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Breakthrough Cambridge, PO Box 381486, Cambridge, for the period October 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$54,910.00.

#13-157, Contract Award: that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for the provision of a CNA/Health Aide, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

All Star Staffing, 15 Court Square, Boston, for the period September 3, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$60,480.00.

#13-158, Grant Awards: that the School Committee accept and approve the grant awards in the amounts and for the periods indicated:

1. Teaching American History (TAH)(subcontract with Newton Public Schools), for the period September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$3,850.00, Project/Grant SC14857.
Description: This is a no-cost extension budget for an additional year of Teaching American History. In the final year of this grant, CRLS US History teachers will continue to participate in professional development provided by TAH grant in conjunction with teachers from Newton, Brookline, Watertown, Waltham, and Sudbury. Training will be provided over by the Gilder Lehrman Institute and Children Discovering Justice, among others.
CPS Target Population: All students at CRLS who will be taking a US History, Part 1 (Sophomore year) and Part 2 (Junior Year).
Outcomes & Measures of Effectiveness: This training will strengthen the skills of teachers of American History (Parts 1 and 2). Ultimately, the project will enable CRLS students to score at the proficient level on the upcoming MCAS history exam.
2. The Cambridge Health Alliance, for the period July 3, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$500.00, SC14109.
Description: This grant is to sponsor a healthy eating and physical education event at the high school.
CPS Target Population: CRLS students
Outcomes and Measures of Effectiveness: Increased awareness among high school students of the importance of eating well and getting physical exercise.

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

On a motion by Mr. Harding, seconded by Ms. Turkel, it was voted to bring forward the entire School Committee Agenda and adopt as follows: Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

#13-159, Motion by Mayor Davis that the School Committee correct and change one of the school closure dates on the current school calendar, from October 16, 2013 to October 15, 2013. This will provide students and staff with a fall holiday break in a manner that best utilizes the school district's educational resources and best addresses the practical impacts on teaching and learning that arise on days when there are low attendance rates. The School Committee will still hold its Regular Meeting on October 15, 2013 at 6:00 PM.

Placed on the Calendar for a second reading:

#13-161, Motion by Ms. Turkel that the following be added to the Controlled Choice Policy: Starting at the fourth grade level students that are tested as program language dominant or bilingual may be admitted to immersion programs without consideration of SES balance; if multiple such children apply those meeting SES balance criteria will be prioritized.

Rationale: Students that are English dominant are not admitted to immersion programs after third grade, this combined with attrition can result in very low class sizes. When admission to a school or program has more than one factor involved it becomes very hard to place children. Admissions to all other schools/programs use only one factor, SES balance. Using language as the primary admission factor after third grade for immersion programs will help maintain class size. It will also give families with children that speak the program language an opportunity to learn in both their home language and in English and offer students that might otherwise be placed in ESL classrooms a choice. (first reading)

The following was adopted:

#13-162, Motion by Ms. Nolan that Legal Counsel is asked to confer with the School Committee Chair, Vice-Chair, the Superintendent and the CEA on finding a legal way for the community to engage in discussion around a longer school day.

8. Non-Consent Agenda

#13-147, Approval of Revisions to Policy and Procedures for Prevention and Management of Head Injuries and Concussions in Athletic Activities: that the School Committee approve the revisions to the Policy and procedures for Prevention and Management of Head injuries and Concussions in Athletic Activities as detailed in the document (first reading).

Ms. Turkel asked for clarification on page 10 of the policy which states that a student athlete would not be able to participate in any practice or game until the post-injury test scores have reached baseline. Ms. Turkel understands that these tests are not particularly accurate in growing children. She would prefer the language, "if cleared by a licensed physician" more appropriate than using the post-injury baseline test. It was voted to refer this policy back to the Superintendent for language clarification.

#13-149, Approval of Revisions to Community Involvement in Decision-Making Policies: that the School Committee approve the revisions and consolidation of the two Community Involvement in Decision-Making Policies in the School Committee's Policy Manual into a single policy as detailed in the document (first reading).

Mr. Osborne asked the Superintendent if there is a role for the Sub-Committee on Community Relations to serve in moving this policy forward in accomplishing some of the goals once the policy is implemented. Dr. Young was heard. On a motion by Ms. Turkel, seconded by Mr. Harding, and on the following roll call, it was voted to place **#13-149, Approval of Revisions to Community Involvement in Decision-Making Policies** on the Calendar for a second reading: Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern ABSENT; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

#13-150, Approval of Revisions to Administration Goals Policy and Administrative Goals and Objectives Policy: that the School Committee approve the revisions and consolidation of the Administration Goals and Administrative Goals and Objectives Policy to a single Administrative Goals Policy as detailed in the document (first reading).

Ms. Turkel stated that she supports this policy but requested feedback from the Superintendent on adding the following language: "to maintain transparency and public confidence, chart and descriptions of reporting structures and responsibilities of all administrators will be posted on the School Department Website". **#13-150, Approval of Revisions to Administration Goals Policy and Administrative Goals and Objectives Policy** was placed on the Calendar for a second reading and referred to the School Committee/Administration Retreat on the new Superintendent evaluation process scheduled for September 24, 2013.

Mr. McGovern moved suspension of the Rules to be recorded in the affirmative on all votes taken this evening. The Rules having been suspended for the purpose stated, it was voted to allow Mr. McGovern to be voted in the affirmative on votes thus far.

The Chair returned to the regular order of business.

Mr. Harding moved, seconded by Mr. McGovern, to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m. The Chair called for roll call: Mr. Fantini NAY; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne NAY; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis NAY. The motion carries to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m.

#13-151, Approval of Revisions to Selection Policy for School Library Media Center Collections: that the School Committee approve the revisions of the Selection Policy for School Library Media Center Collections as detailed in the document (first reading).

Ms. Nolan asked for clarification and asked the Superintendent to amend the policy and add the language: "ensuring that all bilingual programs have a diverse and wide range of materials available". On the following roll call, it was voted to place **#13-151, Approval of Revisions to Selection Policy for School Library Media Center Collections** on the Calendar for a second reading as amended: Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

#13-152, Approval of Surveillance Camera Policy: that the School Committee approve the Surveillance Camera Policy as detailed in the document (first reading). Ms. Nolan asked for the Superintendent's feedback on this policy. Mr. Maloney was heard. On the following roll call, it was voted to place **#13-152, Approval of Surveillance Camera Policy** on the Calendar for a second reading: Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Mr. McGovern YEA; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Turkel YEA; Mayor Davis YEA

#13-153, Approval of Revisions to Wellness Policy, Nutrition Policy and Vending Policy: that the School Committee approve the revisions to the Wellness Policy, Nutrition Policy and Vending Policy as detailed in the document (first reading). Since new information was provided earlier this evening, the Chair moved **#13-153, Approval of Revisions to Wellness Policy, Nutrition Policy and Vending Policy**, to the Calendar for a second reading.

9. Resolutions (letters of congratulations, letters of condolence):

On a motion by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. McGovern, it was voted that the School Committee send a letter of congratulations to the new inductees of Cambridge Athletic Hall of Fame.

On a motion by Mr. McGovern, seconded by the whole Committee, it was voted that the School Committee directs the Executive Secretary of Cambridge School Committee to prepare a resolution to Marian Cannon Schlesinger in honor of her 101st birthday and on being one of the eldest known living graduates of Cambridge High and Latin School.

On a motion by Mr. Osborne, seconded by Mr. McGovern, it was voted that the School Committee send a letter of congratulations to City Councilor Leland Cheung on the birth of his daughter, Lela.

10. Announcements:

Mayor Davis announced that there will be a Roundtable on Monday night, September 23rd, at 5:30 p.m., with the City Council and School Committee on pre-kindergarten and early childhood education.

On a motion by Ms. Turkel, seconded by Mr. Osborne, it was voted to adjourn (10:10 p.m.)

11. Late Orders: (none)

Respectfully submitted
Judith T. Martin
Confidential Secretary to the School Committee