#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(Official Report)

Regular Meeting December 15, 2015

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: Ms. Cronin, Mr. Fantini, Mr. Harding, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Nolan, Mr. Osborne,

Mayor Maher

Student School Committee Members Present: Griffin Andres (ABSENT) and Benjamin Austin

Also Present: Ms. Keady Rawson, City of Cambridge Personnel Director, representing the City

Manager for Contract Negotiations

Mayor Maher in the Chair.

A quorum of the School Committee being present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

The Mayor announced that School Committee met in Executive Session, and the School Committee reached an agreement with incoming Superintendent Dr. Kenneth Salim, effective as of July 1, 2016. **#15-290**, **Motion by Mayor Maher**, that the School Committee may consider the adoption of a proposed contract for the incoming Superintendent, Dr. Kenneth Salim. Mayor Maher gave the highlights of Dr. Salim's contract, which includes a 4 year contract, with a salary of \$228,000.00 with a 2.5% increase annually for the years 2, 3 and 4 and an opportunity for an additional 1% increase based on the performance measure that the School Committee has adopted. The contract will be made public once it is ratified with the incoming School Committee Members at the first Regular Meeting in January.

The Chair entertained a motion to enter into a contract with Dr. Kenneth Salim, Superintendent of Schools, for four years beginning on July 1, 2016. On a motion by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Cronin, on the following roll call, it was voted to approve the negotiated contract as presented for Dr. Kenneth Salim as the Superintendent of the Cambridge Public Schools effective as of July 1, 2016: Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Ms. Kelly YEA; Mayor Maher YEA.

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Ms. Nolan on the following roll call, it was voted to authorize the Mayor to sign the negotiated contract as presented for Dr. Kenneth Salim as the Superintendent of Cambridge Public Schools on behalf of the Committee: Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Ms. Kelly YEA; Mayor Maher YEA.

The Mayor returned to the regular order of business.

#### 1. Public Comment:

The following individuals were heard:

- Miranda Pearce, Sargent Street, parent, spoke against PARCC and left a written statement (on file in the SC office)
- Terry Gist, CEA President, spoke against PARCC, referred to Representative Marjorie Decker, mentioned the petition with many signatures and left a written statement (on file in the SC office)

- Paul Toner, Newman Street, parent, congratulated all Members for becoming a level 2 school system. He supports PARCC
- Betsy Preval, Harvard Avenue, Medford, 7<sup>th</sup> grade ELA Cambridge Street Upper School teacher, spoke against PARCC and MCAS 2.0 and is offended by the term harmless, it is harmful
- Mary-Ann Matyas, Russell Street, spoke against PARCC
- Nancy Wyse, Auburn Street, parent & family liaison at the Kennedy Longfellow School, came to formally thank Ms. Alanna Mallon for all of her hard work and dedication to the Cambridge students and the Cambridge weekend backpack program. She spearheaded this program single handedly and should be recognized for having the vision for successfully creating such a huge humanitarian program
- Leslie Brunetta, Roberts Road, spoke against PARCC and finds it harmful
- Emily Dexter, Fenno Street, stated the budget guidelines are great. She noticed the similarity to the guidelines of previous years. She suggested having general budget guidelines and specific budget priorities
- Kathy Greeley, Erie Street, Graham & Parks school employee, stated the assessments need to be defined. She spoke against PARCC and MCAS, and said we need something else
- Erica Pastor, Lexington Avenue, parent and BPS teacher, she advises CPS to stop and think first, stay with MCAS and see where things are going
- Robin, special needs educator, stated she is opposed to PARCC and MCAS. Children do not benefit from this test. Do not change what already works

On a motion by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Cronin, it was voted to close public comment.

### 2. Student School Committee Report:

Mr. Austin reported on the following:

- School Spirit week is next week: Monochrome Monday, Twin Tuesday and Ugly Sweater Wednesday
- · Swimming and Diving had their first home meet of the year
- Boys Basketball has their first home game Friday night. They were ranked #1 in the MIAA
- Girls Basketball has their first home game tonight
- CRLS a cappella jam is this Saturday night
- There was a well attended forum on the dress code last week; an update will be forwarded to administration
- Glocal challenge winners: 2 teams won a trip to Iceland

#### 3. Presentation of the Records for Approval:

On a motion by Ms. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Fantini, it was voted to accept the following Minutes as presented:

- Special Meeting November 24, 2015
- Special Meeting December 1, 2015
- Regular Meeting December 1, 2015
- Roundtable Meeting December 8, 2015
- 4. Reconsiderations: None
- 5. Unfinished Business/Calendar: None
- 6. Awaiting Reports: None
- 7. Superintendent's Agenda:
  - 7a. Presentations: None

#### 7b. Innovation Agenda:

#### 7c. Consent Agenda:

Mr. Fantini moved, seconded by Nolan, to bring forward the Superintendent's Consent Agenda for discussion and adoption. Ms. Nolan removed **#15-284**. On the following roll call, items **#15-282** and **#15-285** through **#15-289** were adopted; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Ms. Kelly YEA; Mayor Maher YEA.

**#15-282, Settlement of Level III Grievance 8-13-14 brought by the Cambridge Education Association Units A&B**, that the School Committee approve the settlement relative to Cambridge Education Association Units A & B Level III Grievance, Number 8-13-14, as detailed in WR15-554, CN(A).

#15-283, Approval of Agreement with Cambridge Liaisons Invested in Families and Education, AFSCME/AFL-CIO (LIFE/AFSCME), September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2018, that the School Committee approve the agreement between the Cambridge School Committee and the Cambridge Liaisons Invested in Families and Education, AFSCME/AFL-CIO (LIFE/AFSCME) for a collective bargaining agreement for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018, which was ratified by the members. On the following roll call, #15-283 was adopted; Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding YEA; Ms. Kelly YEA; Mayor Maher YEA; Ms. Keady Rawson; YEA (on behalf of the City Manager).

**#15-285, Approval of Gifts/Miscellaneous Receipts to Cambridge Public Schools**, that the School Committee accept and approve the following gifts and receipts as described.

- 1. In-kind donations of fencing equipment made from individual donors to the CRLS Athletics Department for the general use of the Fencing Program.
- 2. An in-kind donation of hockey helmets made from the Wynn Foundation to the CRLS Athletics Department for the general use of the Boys Ice Hockey Team.
- 3. An in-kind donation of Cross Country Team uniforms made from New Balance to the CRLS Athletics Department.

**#15-286, Approval of Day & Residential Program Services** not available from the Cambridge School Department, that the School Committee award contracts to the institutions as detailed on the list in the 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 and/or Grant Fund Budget.

	# Active Contracts	<u>Amount</u>
Day	9	\$ 648,675.14
Residential	2	\$151,537.60
45 Day Program	0	\$0
Total	11	\$800 212 74

**#15-287, Contract Award**, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for homeless student transportation services, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

S.P.& R. Transportation on NH, Inc., 1 Gagnon Drive, Dracut, for the period December 7, 2015 to August 31, 2018, in the amount of \$1,012,770.00.

**#15-288, Contract Award**, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for educational services, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

East End House, 105 Spring Street, Cambridge, for the period September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, in the amount of \$72,492.00.

**#15-289, Contract Award**, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for contract staffing services as required by the Office of Student Services, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Delta T Group, 233 Needham St., Suite 512, Newton, for the period November 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, in the amount of 100,000.00.

#### 8. Non-Consent Agenda:

#15-284 Approval of the administration of the PARCC Assessment (Partnership of Assessment for Readiness for College & Careers) to students in Grades 3-8 during Spring of 2016, that the School Committee approve the administration of the PARCC Assessment (Partnership of Assessment for Readiness for College & Careers) to students in Grades 3-8 during Spring of 2016. Ms. Nolan expressed concern about changing gears and administering PARCC this year and not MCAS. The DESE suggests there will be some version of MCAS including a hybrid of PARCC. MCAS will be upgraded. Changes are being made already. Ms. Nolan read some statements from CPS teachers and information from the MCAS list serve from various districts. Our staff is asking School Committee to stay with MCAS. Superintendent Young spoke that we can all agree to disagree. The state will make their rules on computer based testing and we will be required to abide by them. The Superintendent also stated PARCC is an opportunity for us to experience something different now in preparation so when all changes are made, we will be better able to implement them. He sees this as something to help the students get acquainted with the style and nature of the assessments they are likely to face in the coming years. On the following roll call, item #15-284, was adopted: Ms. Nolan NAY; Mr. Osborne NAY; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding NAY; Ms. Kelly YEA; Mayor Maher YEA.

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

Mr. Osborne moved, seconded by Ms. Cronin, to bring forward the School Committee Agenda items, for discussion and adoption.

#15-291, Motion by Mr. Harding, that the Superintendent explore the feasibility of creating a Parent University program for the Cambridge Public Schools to educate and empower parents as partners, advocates, and life-long teachers in their children's education. Further, that the Superintendent consult with and gather information from the Boston Public Schools Office of Student and Family Engagement about the Boston Public Schools Parent University program. Further, that the Superintendent report back to the School Committee in a roundtable meeting any information or findings that would be useful in the creation of this program by April 30, 2016. Mr. Harding stated this program would be another effective way to have the district support parent involvement for students to be successful. Ms. Cronin thanked Mr. Harding for bringing this forward and feels we should embrace it now. Ms. Nolan asked if this fits in with our current family engagement plans. Mr. Harding answered this would fit under the umbrella of our current family engagement plans, and be more specific around the advocacy piece. On a voice vote, #15-291, was adopted.

**#15-292**, **Joint Motion by Ms. Nolan and Mr. Harding**, that the School Committee requests that the Superintendent review all emergency policies and protocols and procedures and report on how the current policies and procedures worked during the recent events and further that any suggestions for policy changes be presented by the Spring of 2016. Mr. Harding stated he wants to be clear that he

is very grateful to the Superintendent, Police Commissioner and Mr. Jacob, Chief Public Health Officer, and all other officials for the hard work and efforts that were given to the events that have happened. He stated this motion is asking for advice and recommendations from the City and Superintendent as to what the security protocols are going to be moving forward. He also suggested we think more about our school buildings that are open over the weekends for rentals that do not have the same trained staff that is present during the weekdays. Mr. Harding asked what is the protocol for the new buildings. Ms. Nolan noted that Mr. Corr, Executive Director of the Peace Commission, also did an excellent job with Riverside Trauma for the community meeting. Ms. Kelly also spoke in the affirmative on how well everyone worked together at the community meeting and how much compassion was expressed. The Members spoke about the excellent communication the administration and police department shared with the public regarding the threats. Ms. Cronin spoke on the LA school system being closed today because of an alleged threat. She suggests we talk to our neighboring school districts about their protocol so we can have more common practice since Arlington and Watertown have had bomb threats also. Mr. Austin stated that CRLS students were impressed with the responses and the increased presence of officials made them feel safe. On a voice vote, #15-292, was adopted.

**#15-293**, **Joint Motion by Mr. Harding and Ms. Kelly, Co-Chairs Budget Sub-Committee**, that the School Committee review and discuss the attached Cambridge School Committee 2016 Budget Guidelines in preparation for the upcoming FY17 budget process. On a motion by Ms. Cronin, seconded by Ms. Nolan, on a voice vote **#15-293**, was referred to the incoming School Committee at the 1<sup>st</sup> Regular School Committee Meeting in January.

**#15-294**, **Motion by Mayor Maher**, that the School Committee adopt the following resolution and go on record endorsing an effort to find a suitable site to honor Mary Lou McGrath's contributions and request that this Order be forwarded to the incoming School Committee for developing a process and taking appropriate action to honor Mary Lou McGrath's longstanding commitment to public education in Cambridge.

WHEREAS: Mary Lou McGrath was a lifelong Cambridge resident who devoted her professional

career to improving educational opportunities for Cambridge students and ultimately became the first female Superintendent of the Cambridge Public Schools; and

WHEREAS: Mary Lou McGrath was recognized throughout the Commonwealth as an educational

leader and often referred to as "the Godmother of alternative pathways to education";

and

WHEREAS: In many ways, Mary Lou was a trailblazer who was ahead of her time; and

WHEREAS: Mary Lou looked towards the future of education through constant innovation and

reform and collaborated with local universities, businesses and non-profit

organizations to enhance the experience of Cambridge Public Schools students; and

WHEREAS: Upon her retirement, Congressman Joseph Kennedy remarked from the House floor

that, "One can only begin to describe the depth of Mary Lou's devotion of time and energy to issues concerning the youth of her community. Serving on various boards and committees, Mary Lou has worked to address issues of civil rights, violence,

drug use, and other youth-related concerns."; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the School Committee go on record endorsing an effort to find a suitable site to

honor her contributions and request that this Order be forwarded to the incoming School Committee for developing a process and taking appropriate action to honor Mary Lou McGrath's longstanding commitment to public education in Cambridge.

Mr. Mayor stated that Ms. McGrath was the first female superintendent in Cambridge and he had the honor and privilege of serving with her. He feels this recognition is

long overdue for her service as a true Cantabridgian educator and lover of children. Mr. Harding asked for clarification about the Mayor's thoughts on where the site will be. He would like to endorse the premise tonight, and then let the incoming School Committee come up with an appropriate way to address this issue. On a voice vote, **#15-294**, was adopted.

On a voice vote, **#15-295**, Report of the Meeting of the November 19, 2015 Budget Sub-Committee Meeting (Committee of the Whole) was accepted as presented:

# Budget Sub-Committee Meeting (Committee of the Whole) November 19, 2015 Dr. Henrietta Attles Room 6:00 PM

Called for the purpose of a public hearing for discussion on the FY2017 School Department Budget.

Members Present: Mr. Harding, Co-Chair; Ms. Kelly, Co-Chair; Ms. Cronin, Mr. Fantini, Ms. Nolan, Mr.

Osborne (ABSENT), Mayor Maher (ABSENT)

Also Present: Dr. Young, Superintendent; Dr. Turk, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Huizenga, Assistant

Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment; Ms. MacDonald, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Mr. Maloney, Chief Operating Officer; Ms.

Spinner, Chief Financial Officer; Ben Austin, Student School Committee

A quorum of the Budget Sub-Committee (Committee of the Whole) being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Mr. Harding and Ms. Kelly, Co-Chairs.

Ms. Kelly welcomed everyone to the Budget Sub-Committee meeting and opened the hearing on the FY16-17 school department budget

#### **Public Hearing on Budget FY17 Budget:**

- Brian Burke, Francis Ave., re funding to develop a brochure and marketing materials for world language education; funding to hire a world language recruitment coordinator; funding for teacher training and professional development in world languages; funding for further world language curriculum development (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Karen Dobak, Allston St., representing Cambridge Special Education Parent Advisory Committee; focus on 3 main budget area requests: social and emotional and behavioral curriculum and learning, transportation, inclusion, differentiated and curriculum for students; implement use of a universal screener for social emotional learning and health for all students in all schools
- Pamela Blau, Sherman St., fund contract with Walker School to improve the structured academic classes K-12 and provide professional development to all staff, teachers and principals to support these programs
- Julie Viens, Lumis St., re special education transportation budget, making SP&R transportation accountable and properly evaluate their services; focus on disaster of vans that go to out of district placements. Need more buses and substantive training. (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Judy Weiss, Orchard St., Chair of Friends of Vassal Lane, re family liaisons at the upper school and family engagement; lack of out of school time at upper schools
- Pia Cisternino, Holworthy St., re allowing elementary schools to provide an additional 20 minutes
  of recess per day; request community discussion by January 2016 to access how much recess is
  currently being provided by the elementary schools and to understand what barriers may exist
  (statement on file in the School Committee office)

- Miranda Pearce, Sargent St., re support for increasing the amount of time for recess in the elementary schools; would like recess time expanded to 35 minutes a day to match what is offered in Belmont and Lexington without undermining academic excellence goals
- Stephanie Groll, Rice St., (with her children Dashal, Fiona and Eliza) re: support of increasing amount of time for recess to 35 minutes per day; adding resources to allow the schools to support the school wellness policy (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Eric Yablonowitz, Appleton St., asks for consideration to expand recess time at elementary schools
- Rhea Dunn, Sacramento St., re TRRACCT program for teacher recruitment and retention, and
  cultural competency training; emergency preparedness; improved communication; extended
  recess time; parent engagement; innovative curriculum and instruction for global leadership and
  entrepreneurship; commitment to hiring and retention of non-white teachers and hiring additional
  teachers; commitment to cultural competency training and anti-discrimination education; issues
  surrounding CP classes; racism, sexism and other types of discrimination is extremely
  detrimental to a learning process; consideration of her draft TRRACCT program
- Kathryn Fenneman, Executive Director of Tutoring Plus, re: increased funding to provide
  increased programmatic support for elementary and middle school students and expansion of
  enrichment programs to meet student needs; increase budget from \$16,000 to \$32,000 for
  FY2017 (FY2017 Tutoring Plus CPS Budget Initiative and 2014-2015 Tutoring Plus Data Report
  on file in School Committee office)
- Liam Greenwell, Lake View Ave., re increase funding for distribution of the student newspaper, The Register Forum
- Tomek Maciale, Hamilton St., re increase budget for student newspaper, Register Forum, to \$9,000 a year. Increased funding would allow for more copies which would attract new members to the club; all money goes to printing the papers; possible creation of a website; reaching out to middle schools; sending reporters out to events
- Mary-ann Matyas, Russell St., re funding a family liaison in each of our upper schools which
  would allow for successful family engagement; consider adding resources for middle schools to
  offer on-site out-of-school programming; foreign language instruction at the elementary schools
  (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Christine Lively, Upton St., re extending junior kindergarten for all 4 year olds in Cambridge; continue to fund and expand world language programs in our schools; fund efforts to insure appropriate social and economic status balance and diversity in our schools, expand the hours for family liaisons including family liaisons in the middle schools (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Erin Johnson, Chalk St, (with son Owen), shared a letter written and signed by more than 50 families from the Morse School re reconsideration of the School Operations Manager (SOM) model for the Morse School; replace retiring Assistant Principal, Mr. Mili, with an assistant principal position (letter on file in the School Committee office)
- Emily Dexter, Fenno St., re concern about the Charter School Cap and pop up schools, how do we compete with Charter schools and low-tuition pop-up private schools? Teachers have stated that they do not have enough staff to teach all their students well; first and second grades have some of the largest class sizes; families are leaving for private schools because classrooms are too chaotic and children are not getting enough attention; request smaller class sizes and more adults in our classrooms (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- Isabella Gray, Kirkland St., President of Club 4, cook meals for the homeless 3 nights a week and are expanding, currently receive no funding from School Committee; they are the largest club at CRLS with over 150 volunteers; would like SC to support efforts in the future (statement on file in the School Committee office)
- William MacArthur, Shay St., President of Club 4, last year they raised and spent \$3,840. It's
  getting harder and harder each year to raise funds. Would like to request \$1,920 which
  represents 33% of their operating budget; Club 24 provides phenomenal life skills for these
  students and there is a tremendous desire at CRLS to serve
- Todd Zickler, Granville Rd., Lianne Fisman, Granville Rd., and Melissa Maldonado, Parker Rd., re assistant principal at Baldwin School; shared statements by many parents at school;

highlighted statistics of the Baldwin School; Baldwin does so well with such a diverse population, due to leadership of staff, Principal Mr. Leonardos and Assistant Principal Mr. Roderick; urge the Committee not to proceed with the pilot plan to replace assistant principals by a school operations managers

Letter from parents at the Baldwin School, re John Roderick, Assistant Principal (on file in the School Committee office)

- Betsy Chase, Pleasant St., re family liaisons for middle schools; school clerk is taking on more
  responsibility of a family liaison; increase the pay of the school clerk who is taking on the work of
  the family liaison; lack of teachers of color at CRLS
- Jennifer Obrahouse, Windsor St., re mindfulness initiatives which increase a student's ability to
  focus, show compassion, regulate their emotions, decreases amount of suspensions, days
  missed from school and decrease in violence. Offered to bring a mindfulness session to the
  School Committee.
- Ben Austin, Student School Committee, on behalf of some fellow CRLS students shared the following budget requests:

Tech Crew for Footloose – not able to get a lot of materials to build the set; they will submit a letter

Concern – need for more social workers and psychologists in each learning community Clubs – need more resources for trips and equal opportunities for all students to go on trips, e.g. Habitat for humanity; suggests having a club budget system where students could apply for money

Increase teacher advisor stipends

Starting and maintaining clubs; need for an extracurricular club liaison

Mr. Harding thanked everyone for their insight, passion and recommendations. He asked everyone to spread the word that there would be more opportunities to speak as we move forward in the budget process.

Mr. Harding, Co-chair, called a brief recess (7:20 PM)

The time for recess having expired, on a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Ms. Nolan, the meeting was adjourned (7:30 PM).

# Adjourned Judith T. Martin Executive Secretary to the School Committee

**Documents/Statements referred to during public comment:** (copies on file in the School Committee office)

- Statement by Brian Burke
- Statement by Julie Viens
- Statement by Pia Cisternino
- Statement by Stephanie Groll
- Statement and back-up by Kathryn Fenneman, Tutoring Plus
- Statement by Mary-Ann Matyas
- Statement by Christina Lively
- Letter from Morse School staff
- Statement by Emily Dexter
- Request for funding from Club 4
- Statement by Todd Zickler, letter from Baldwin School staff

## 10. Resolutions (letters of congratulations, letters of condolence):

#### 11. Announcements:

The outgoing Members were acknowledged as this being their last meeting and were publicly thanked for their service. With complete sincerity, the Members spoke eloquently with heartfelt compliments that were both humorous and emotional. The specific merits of the three outgoing Members were emphasized very strongly, and it was made clear not only by the Members, but also by Student Member Austin and Superintendent Young that Ms. Cronin, Mayor Maher and Mr. Osborne will long be remembered for their dedicated service to the School Committee with great respect and appreciation.

#### 12. Late Orders:

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Mr. Osborne, that the School Committee regarding CEA Grievance A/B 2-14-15 neither approve nor deny the grievance and request that it be forwarded to an arbitrator without prejudice: On the following roll call, CEA Grievance A/B 2-14-15 was adopted: Ms. Nolan YEA; Mr. Osborne YEA; Ms. Cronin YEA; Mr. Fantini YEA; Mr. Harding NAY; Ms. Kelly NAY; Mayor Maher YEA. Related to that Motion, Mr. Mayor read a decision he made about a request for the Minutes of the Executive Sessions on dates 9-29-15 and 11-17-15 with respect to the CEA Grievance A/B 2-14-15. He stated that he has reviewed the minutes and determined they will not be disclosed because it will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigation position of the School Committee.

On a motion by Ms. Cronin, seconded by Mr. Fantini, on a voice vote, it was adopted that the administration schedule an open house for the new ML King, Jr. /Putnam Avenue Upper school building.

On a motion by Ms. Nolan, seconded by Ms. Kelly, on a voice vote, it was adopted that the School Committee send a letter of congratulations to Yuleska Ramirez-Tejeda, CRLS senior, for being named Boston Globe All Scholastic in volleyball and any other all scholastic students.

On a motion by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Osborne, on a voice vote, it was adopted that the School Committee send a letter of encouragement to Jeremy Collins, CRLS alumni and Cambridge firefighter, to wish him well on his endeavors on the television show, "Survivor", and to thank him for his participation on behalf of Cambridge.

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Ms. Cronin, it was voted to suspend the Rules for the purpose of moving reconsideration of the foregoing votes on all items passed. The rules having been suspended, a motion to reconsider the foregoing votes, hoping the same would not prevail, failed of adoption. All votes taken tonight are final.

On a motion by Ms. Cronin, seconded by Mr. Osborne, it was voted to adjourn (9:00 PM)

Dosha Beard Confidential Secretary

**Distributed Back-up Documents** (copies on file in the School Committee office):

- Hand-out from Miranda Pearce referred to in public comment re PARCC
- > Hand-out from CEA President Gist read during public comment re PARCC
- Hand-out from Dr. Young referred to in #15-284 on the Non-Consent Agenda re PARCC Assessment Decision FAQs from DESE