



CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(Official Minutes)

Special Meeting

October 31, 2025

Called for 1:00 p.m. broadcast from the Media Arts Studio, 454 Broadway, to entertain a motion to convene in executive session for the purpose of approving the contract for Mr. David Murphy, Superintendent of Schools.

Members Present: Member Harding, Member Hudson, Vice Chair Hunter, Member Rachel, Member Rojas, Member Weinstein, Mayor Simmons

Also Present: Attorney Melissa Murray

Mayor Simmons in the Chair.

A quorum of the School Committee being present, Mayor Simmons called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

Mayor Simmons read the call of the meeting.

The meeting proceeded to the first order of business with a roll call of members present: Member Rachel; PRESENT; Member Rojas, PRESENT; Member Weinstein, PRESENT; Vice Chair Hunter, PRESENT; Member Harding, PRESENT; Member Hudson, PRESENT, Mayor Simmons, PRESENT

Mayor Simmons opened the floor for public comment. The following individual gave remarks:

- Anna Shin, Sidney Street, expressed her concerns about Superintendent Murphy's leadership.

On a motion by Member Hudson, seconded by Vice Chair Hunter, Public Comment was closed on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel; YEA; Member Rojas, YEA; Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA, Mayor Simmons, YEA

Mayor Simmons thanked Committee members and Attorney Murray for their work during the recent executive sessions which led to an agreement with Superintendent Murphy.

On a motion by Member Rojas, seconded by Member Weinstein that the School Committee adopt and ratify the contract for Mr. David Murphy, Superintendent of Schools on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel; YEA; Member Rojas, YEA; Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

On a motion by Member Weinstein, seconded by Member Harding, the rules were suspended for reconsideration on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel; YEA; Member Rojas, YEA; Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA, Mayor Simmons, YEA

On a motion by Member Weinstein, seconded by Vice Chair Hunter on reconsideration hoping the same will not prevail on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel; NAY; Member Rojas, NAY; Member Weinstein, NAY; Vice Chair Hunter, NAY; Member Harding, NAY; Member Hudson, NAY; Mayor Simmons, NAY

The Executive Secretary read the following statement from Superintendent Murphy: I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve the Cambridge community and the confidence of the school committee as expressed in this agreement.

On a motion by Member Harding seconded by Member Rojas, the meeting was adjourned on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel; YEA; Member Rojas, YEA; Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA, Mayor Simmons, YEA (1:20 p.m.)

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Katherine Christo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Katherine Christo
Executive Secretary to the School Committee