



## CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### (Official Minutes)

#### Special Meeting

July 11, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

Broadcast from the Media Arts Studio, 454 Broadway, Cambridge for the purpose of discussing the following recommendations put forth by the administration:

- #25-185 Recommendation: Approval of the Agreement Between the Cambridge School Committee & Cambridge Education Association Regarding the Extended Learning Time at Fletcher Maynard Academy and the Martin Luther King, Jr. School and non-contractual side letter regarding professional learning in August 2025 at the Fletcher Maynard Academy
- #25-186 Recommendation: Approval of the Agreement Between the Cambridge School Committee & Cambridge Education Association Regarding Moving of School Staff to the Tobin Montessori School and Darby Vassall Upper School from the Longfellow and Kennedy Longfellow Buildings for the Upcoming 2025-2026 School Year
- #25-187 Recommendation: Day & Residential Program Services not Available from the Cambridge School Department
- #25-188 Recommendation: Contract Award: Scoreboard Enterprises, Inc.: Daktronics Scoreboard for Russell Field
- #25-189 Recommendation: Grant Award: FY25 Circuit Breaker (SC25776) - Increase

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

Others Present: David Murphy, Interim Superintendent; Ivy Washington, Chief Financial Officer; Raecia Catchings, Chief People Officer, City of Cambridge

#### Mayor Simmons in the Chair.

A quorum of the School Committee being present, **Mayor Simmons** called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. **Mayor Simmons** read the call of the meeting and explained that the meeting was being televised and recorded.

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

**Mayor Simmons** handed the floor over to Interim Superintendent Murphy who outlined the contracts and agreements to be voted on. He thanked the Committee members for their flexibility in gathering prior to the August 5 summer meeting.

**Mayor Simmons** led the Committee to the following votes:

**That the Superintendent's Recommendation #25-185 be adopted as follows:** That the School Committee approve the [attached agreement](#) between the Cambridge School Committee (the "Committee") and Cambridge Education Association regarding the Extended Learning Time at Fletcher Maynard Academy and the Martin Luther King, Jr. School and non-contractual side letter regarding professional learning in August 2025 at the Fletcher Maynard Academy.

On a motion by member Harding, seconded by Member Weinstein, **#25-185** was adopted on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

**That the Superintendent Recommendation #25-126 be adopted as follows:** That the School Committee approve

the [attached agreement](#) between the Cambridge School Committee (the “Committee”) and Cambridge Education Association Regarding Moving of School Staff to the Tobin Montessori School and Darby Vassall Upper School from the Longfellow and Kennedy Longfellow Buildings for the Upcoming 2025-2026 School Year.

On a motion by Member Weinstein, seconded by Member Harding, **#25-126** was adopted on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

**#25-187 Recommendation: Day & Residential Program Services not Available from the Cambridge School Department be adopted as follows:** that the School Committee award contracts to the institutions as detailed in the list in amounts not to exceed the shown rates, having been approved by the Operational Services Division of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts funds to be provided from the General Fund and/or Grant Fund Budget.

	#	Amount
Day Program Tuition Contracts:	97	\$12,328,644.45
Residential Program Contracts:	13	\$4,474,975.39
45 Day Program Contracts:		
Total	110	\$16,803,619.84

On a motion by Vice Chair Hunter, seconded by Member Harding **#25-187** was adopted on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

**#25-188 Recommendation: Contract Award: Scoreboard Enterprises, Inc.: Daktronics Scoreboard for Russell Field be adopted as follows:** that the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided in accordance with the budget reference listed below. Procurement procedures for this purchase have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Scoreboard Enterprises Inc., 274 Fruit St., Mansfield, MA for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 in the amount of \$27,174.50.

On a motion by Vice Chair Hunter, seconded by Member Weinstein **#25-188** was adopted on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

**#25-189 Recommendation: Grant Award: FY25 Circuit Breaker (SC25776) – Increase be adopted as follows:** that the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated:

FY25 Circuit Breaker Allocation (SC25776) - INCREASE through State -Targeted in the amount of \$8,368,166.00 for the period of October 3, 2024 to June 30, 2026.

On a motion by Vice Chair Hunter, seconded by Member Weinstein, **#25-189** was adopted on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA

On a motion by Member Harding, seconded by Member Hudson the meeting was adjourned on the following roll call vote: Member Rachel, ABSENT, Member Rojas, ABSENT, Member Weinstein, YEA; Vice Chair Hunter, YEA; Member Hudson, YEA; Member Harding, YEA; Mayor Simmons, YEA (2:45 p.m.)

Attest:



Katherine Christo  
Executive Secretary to the School Committee