



CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(Official Minutes)

Special Meeting

June 30, 2020

Called for 5:00 p.m. broadcast from the Dr. Henrietta S. Attles Meeting Room, Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, 459 Broadway, Cambridge, for the purpose of discussing and voting on Superintendent Recommendations, School Committee Official Minutes and any business specifically related to Covid-19.

Members Present: Vice Chair Bowman, Member Fantini, Member Rachel, Member Rojas, Member Weinstein, Member Wilson, Mayor Siddiqui

Also Present: Dr. Salim, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Turk, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

Mayor Siddiqui in the Chair

A quorum of the School Committee being present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

The Chair read the call of the meeting, announced this meeting is being televised, votes will be taken and there will be public comment.

On a motion by Mayor Siddiqui seconded by Vice Chair Bowman, on the following roll call, the assembly proceeded to the first order of business: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson ABSENT; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

Mayor Siddiqui asked for the pleasure of the Committee for the Presentation of the Records:

- 10-22-2019 Roundtable Meeting
- 6-16-2020 Special Meeting

On a motion by Vice Chair Bowman, seconded by Member Fantini, on the following roll call, the Minutes were accepted as presented: Member Rojas ABSTAINED; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson ABSENT; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

Mayor Siddiqui opened the floor for public comment.

Member Wilson joined the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

- Connie Henderson, faculty, re: **#20-153** District Management Group Contract Award, opposed to this contract. Why hire outside company?
- Jackie Murphy, CSUS 7th grade faculty, opposed to physical re-opening of school in the fall.
- Dan Monahan, Lexington Ave, CEA President, read part of a document from the MTA, does not support physical re-opening of schools.
- Betsy Preval, CSUS faculty, on behalf of the Educators of Color Coalition Leadership Team, opposed to **#20-153** District Management Group Contract Award. Also, she is not happy the CEA members were not invited to be part of the Task Force.
- Edward Walker, CRLS faculty, Educators of Color Coalition Leadership Team, opposed to **#20-153** District Management Group Contract Award.
- Angeline UyHam, Hancock Street, CEA Educators of Color Coalition Leadership Team, opposed to **#20-153**, District Management Group Contract Award.

- Jen Mason Stott, Perkins Rd., Jamaica Plain, is desperate for schools to reopen, but she wants CPSD to get it right the first time. She wants a lot to be done to make the students safe, including disinfecting and physical distancing.
- Mercedes Soto, Harvard Street, parent, **#20-154**, requests the Landmark Contract to submit a report to the School Committee of their progress and overall success of their program. Also regarding the Task Force, CPS needs to engage diverse groups of families.
- Kini Udovicki, CSUS faculty, we have experienced crisis learning not distance learning. Rather than spend time for a hybrid model, plan on a remote learning schedule. She suggested CPS teach small groups of parents how to do remote learning. OSS students are digressing significantly.
- Marisa Berenba, Tufts St., Arlington, CSUS Math Coach, is concerned that non-racist teaching will disappear with so much attention on a hybrid model.
- Jennifer Hamilton, CRLS Dean of English Arts Curriculum, School C, opposed to **#20-153**, we need to put students, families and teacher needs at the forefront of all plans.
- Andrea Parker, Huron Ave. faculty, supports student voice. Has volunteered to be on any task force available.
- Emmanuel Oppong-Yeboah, Cambridge Terrace, Allston, CRLS faculty opposed to **#20-153**. He encourages we seek out people who have already done this work.
- Tommy Goldman, Schirappa St., CRLS Coach, promotes the voices of his colleagues
- Emie Michaud Weinstock is concerned about the responses to Covid-19 it, does not reach out to the students of color. She was part of the task force and it does not differ from white supremacy thinking.
- Obi Carrion, Family Liaison, there is no work in progress that we are prepared to return to physical classes in September. No information has been forwarded of a plan.
- Nicole Hart, CRLS faculty, there was a lack of equity before we left school on March 13, 2020.
- Amara Donovan, Cambridge Street, Member of Families of Color Coalition, is opposed to **#20-153**, they do not operate separately from white supremacy. She does not appreciate the lack of transparency of adding this contract to CPS.
- Arielle Carmichael, CSUS music faculty, is concerned about the Covid-19 re-opening plans, the decisions do not support teachers,
- Elizabeth Hansel, Broadway, Arlington, CRLS science teacher, opposed to **#20-153**, the students, staff and faculty can create a learning environment that is the best for all. We are experts too. Please do not hire an outside consultant
- Kathleen FitzGerald, CRLS faculty, opposed to **#20-153**, there is nothing about anti-racist work in this contract. Questions of equity and liberation should be at the heart of this plan. The consultants to not know our students or our work.
- Bernette Dawson, Oxford Ave., a member of the CEA Educators of Color Coalition Leadership Team, opposed to **#20-153**, the contract does not mention anti-racist work at all.
- Marya Wegman, CRLS faculty, opposed to **#20-153**, the CPS community and stakeholders should make the decisions about re-opening our schools, not this consulting group. Nothing about us, without us, is for us.
- Kiana Khall, Putnam Ave parent, is not impressed at all with the transition to remote learning. There was not enough learning time with instructors for her child. She would encourage our students to be more challenged and held to the academic standard.
- Alexis Harding, not impressed with Covid-19 response to distance learning. Her child had one hour per day with Wednesdays off for classes, this was totally unacceptable. Where is the academic rigor? Why can't they have a full schedule of classes? Implement strategies to improve the skillset.
- Matt Dunkel, Willow Street, parent and VLU Math Coach, opposed to **#20-153**, MBK (My Brother's Keeper) brought this contract to light, he is thankful for that. Very concerned about the lack of transparency of bringing this contract forward.

On a motion by Member Rojas, seconded by Member Rachel, on the following roll call vote, Public Comment was closed: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

Member Fantini motioned to suspend the Rules, seconded by Member Wilson to bring the Superintendent's Agenda forward for discussion and adoption. On the following roll call vote, the Rules were suspended for the reason stated: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

With the Superintendent's Agenda before the assembly, Member Rachel removed **#20-153, #20-154, #20-155** through **#20-160**. Member Fantini removed **#20-163**. Member Rojas removed **#20-167**.

On the following roll call vote, items **#20-151, #20-152, #20-161, #20-162, #20-164 through #20-166, #20-168 through #20-170** were adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

#20-151, Approval of Responses of the Cambridge School Committee to Cambridge Education Association Grievance Number 01-19-20, that the School Committee approve its response to Cambridge Education Association Grievance Number E-01-19-20.

#20-152 , Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Day & Residential Program Services not available from the Cambridge School Department, funds to be provided from the General and Grant Fund Budgets, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Program	#	Amount
Day Program	12	\$860,922.41
Residential Program	2	\$270,766.45
45 Day Program	0	
Total	14	\$1,131,688.86

#20-161 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Cambridge Public Health, 119 Windsor Street, Lower Level, Cambridge, for the period September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$77,781.00.

#20-162 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a Revised contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Hummingbird Transportation, 53 Ridge Road, Upton, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the revised amount of \$57,850.00.

#20-164, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Mansfield Paper Company, 380 Union Street, West Springfield, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$150,000.00.

#20-165 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

New England Ice Cream Corporation, 555 Constitution Drive, Taunton, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$150,000.00.

#20-166 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

A. Russo and Sons, Inc., 560 Pleasant Street, Watertown, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$200,000.00.

#20-168, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Facilities Equipment & Supplies, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

WW Grainger, 100 Grainger Parkway, Lake Forest, IL, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$400,000.00.

#20-169, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, Computer Hardware, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

PJ Systems d/b/a HiQ Computers, 477 Riverside Avenue, Medford, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$500,000.00.

#20-170, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, Computer Network Services, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

PJ Systems d/b/a HiQ Computers, 477 Riverside Avenue, Medford, for the period, in the amount of \$31,945.00.

Non-Consent Agenda

#20-153, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Professional Development, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

District Management Group, 133, Federal Street, Boston, for the period June 24, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$48,600.00.

Discussion followed on **#20-153**.

Member Rachel wants to know how this is or is not connected to the UPD contract.

Dr. Salim responded that he appreciates the statements from Public Comment. He explained that District Management Groups brings a software tool that addresses all of the particular needs of staffing in a non-traditional way. What District Management Group helped CPSD to do is bring ideas around different models, it is only a resource about how to use whatever structures we already have. Dr. Salim respectfully requested that Recommendation **#20-153**, District Management Group Contract, be withdrawn and placed on file.

Member Rachel asked for a point of information on the process, wanting to know if these contractors have started working already.

Dr. Salim answered in the negative.

Member Wilson asked to know what will be done with the funds designated to the District Management Group?

Dr. Salim responded he has no immediate answer for that.

Vice Chair Bowman appreciates the public for letting the Committee know about their concerns related to this contract. She is also concerned about an email inviting the Members to a meeting to have a conversation and deliberate this issue because the Members will need vote on it which becomes a violation of the Open Meeting Laws.

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Member Wilson, on the following roll call vote, item **#20-153** was withdrawn and placed on file: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

#20-154, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Professional Development, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Landmark School Outreach Program, 429 Hale Street, Prides Crossing, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$60,000.00.

Discussion followed on **#20-154**.

Member Rachel offered to amend this recommendation however, Dr. Salim is not sure that can happen. He will look into it.

Member Fantini asked Ms. Mercedes Soto to email the Superintendent directly spelling out exactly what she would like to see happen with this to help the Superintendent make a decision. On the following roll call vote, item **#20-154** was adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

#20-155, 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:

Tutoring Plus of Cambridge, Inc., 225 Windsor Street, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$30,000.00.

#20-156, 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:

Breakthrough Cambridge, CRLS, 459 Broadway, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$91,910.00.

#20-157, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Educational Support, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Cambridge Housing Authority, 362 Green Street, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$190,325.00.

#20-158, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Student Support Services: Volunteer Management, 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, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$206,365.00.

#20-159, 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:

CitySprouts, 1035 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$127,000.00.

#20-160, Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Enroot, 99 Bishop Allen Drive, Cambridge, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$55,000.00.

Discussion followed on items **#20-155 through #20-160**

Member Rachel removed these contracts because she is trying to understand how the district uses community partner grants. She wants to make sure that these contracts have been evaluated to be in alignment with our district plans.

On the following roll call vote, items **#20-155, #20-156, #20-158, #20-159 and #20-160** were adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

On the following roll call vote, item **#20-157** was adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson ABSTAINED; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

#20-163 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for, funds to be provided from the General Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Fantini Baking Company, 375 Washington Street, Haverhill, for the period, July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$85,000.00.

Discussion followed on **#20-163**

Member Fantini explained he removed this one to be recorded as ABSENT. On the following roll call vote, **#20-163** was adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini ABSENT; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

#20-167 Contract Award, that the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Groceries, funds to be provided from the School Revolving Fund Budget, Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having been complied with:

Thurston Foods, Inc., 30 Thurston Drive, Wallingford, CT, for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$800,000.00.

Discussion followed on item **#20-167**.

Member Rojas wants to know if we can use small business owners for these contracts instead of spending such large amounts in huge corporations.

Ms. Spinner, Chief Financial Officer, answered that yes it is possible, but CPS would have to remove pieces of the contract and it would still have to go to the lowest bidder. At the end of the day, the same contractor may keep getting different parts of the same bid. We do small contracts for many foods but we cannot guarantee that a particular vendor gets the bid just because they are small.

On the following roll call vote, **#20-167** was adopted: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

The Chair turned the floor over to Superintendent Salim for his Covid-19 Response Update. The Presentation can be seen online.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1UF6aug2Os1N29RboXGwS_pn-KdFrXzGeKtI2KCUpAY/edit?usp=sharing

The COVID – 19 Update on SY20-21 Planning School Committee Presentation ended.

Mayor Siddiqui in the Chair.

Mayor Siddiqui stated that since Member Weinstein and Member Rachel are both on the Task Force she will start with them.

Member Weinstein asked about the plans of families and caregivers based on the survey. He also asked what is the percentage of the response to teachers coming back or not?

Superintendent Salim responded that CPSD issued a very brief survey to the families, recognizing that multiple surveys will be needed, particularly around the transportation issues.

Member Weinstein also wants to know about teachers and staff data.

Superintendent Salim informed the Committee that Dan Monahan has some information that can be shared with the Committee. He mentioned that there are different policies and laws already in place regarding the Federal laws on staff leaves of absences.

Member Weinstein also asked what the district plans to do to communicate to stakeholders and families letting them know how much progress has been made on a model to continue educating students.

Dr. Salim responded that the district is planning to have weekly communications with the public, with DESE and will keep the Members informed of all aspects of the planning process. The Administration is trying very hard to establish a structure that they can work around to launch the year professionally using a hybrid. Hybrid planning is not an easy model to build.

Mayor Siddiqui motioned, seconded by Vice Chair Bowman, to suspend the rules to entertain a motion to extend the meeting for one hour to 8:30 p.m. On a motion by Member Wilson, seconded by Member Rachel, on the following roll call vote the meeting was extended for the purpose stated: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

Member Rachel asked if there is a way to share what the scholars and educators are saying about feeling safe with the School Committee. What is being done to support everyone remotely? How many times will folks meet, is the School Committee planning to vote on three different models on July 21, 2020.

Superintendent Salim Responded initially we wanted to have as many students in class as possible. Now the district is looking at an operational model of a hybrid, which is less defined due to so many different options. There are many different possibilities to explore.

Member Rachel wants to know how we are going to instruct 100% remote, how will the teachers get that pedagogy?

Superintendent answered the challenge is that summer is short and not a lot of time to create lessons. The district will look at Professional Development for three days, working with ICTS as well with tools and

how to create lessons for remote learning, the district is working with the Curriculum and Engagement staff to take some of the burden off of the teachers.

Member Rojas asked about operations and hybrid models, would finding other spaces with community partners be helpful and how will testing take place?

Member Rojas asked also as far as safety, what about the staff that do not live in Cambridge, how will they make use of the advantages that the citizens of Cambridge have and outsiders may not.

Dr. Salim responded that as far as space, they have had some limited conversations with Harvard, which may or may not have extra space depending on who will be returning. Later on, he will know how short we are on space.

As far as testing goes, it is not something that is being looked at as a requirement. They are still trying to decide who and when to test.

A point of information was raised from the Chair, there was a discussion on this last night with the City Council. The Task Force is also involved in this discussion. They want to ensure that all staff and students are able to be tested if they request it.

Member Rojas voiced a concern with the 12th graders having a space rotation, he hopes it can be expanded for the 11th graders also.

Member Fantini asked how do we support all families in school and remotely? We are going to have to strategize how we do that. Some parents are going to have to send their children to school because they have to work. Others are still very nervous about sending their children to school.

Salim recognized the importance of the question and is seriously considering the pathways for all families, he does not have a specific answer around that at this time, it depends on the upcoming requirements on physical distancing coming from the DESE. We have been very proud of having culturally responsive classroom settings,

Fantini wants to know what the academic plans are and what the SEL plans are. Are we going to be teaching at grade level?

Salim when we return to the fall, students are going to be experiencing a new grade level and new teachers. We will be thinking about what students' success plans are.

With regard to the lessons, the curriculum Working Group will be specifically supported .

Member Fantini asked about ASPEN as a learning management system.

Superintendent Salim responded that we use Google Classroom and See Saw as learning management systems. There will be an expansion of Google Meet. There will need to be more attention paid to long term remote learning. He mentioned older students using self-directed learning platforms.

Member Fantini asked if we have an academic plan yet? Will we be teaching at high levels and grade levels?

Dr. Salim answered that when we return in the fall, we may or may not be at grade level, we will be using different academic screeners to assess what support and student needs are. The focus will be on grade level standards. They are exploring ways to integrate training faculty on the academic plans. Launching a new system is not done lightly, it requires a lot of thought and planning.

Member Wilson asked about data points.

Superintendent Salim responded the survey is still open and is closing on Thursday. He believes 60% of parents want their children to return to school in the fall.

Mr. Maloney stated the first survey was to ascertain transportation issues asking how likely are parents/caregivers to take their child to school in September. They have received answers to close to 1,900 surveys so far. The goal was not to get a deep read of all of the different details we want to know.

Member Wilson is wondering if what we are asking is not actually what we are looking for. She also asked how we are going to get the student caught up in their classes where those students received no credit for certain classes.

Dr. Salim answered that it is part of the summer strategy to find the supports needed to be brought up to the academic requirement. No matter what model is used, there will be a grading model.

Principal Smith responded that the data reflects the number of students that did not earn credit for the quarter, a smaller number of students failed the course and also received no credit for the quarter which accounts for a failure.

Vice Chair Bowman thanked everyone she wants to know when we will have the data from the motion on the Distance Learning report.

Salim answered that the Committee will get one on July 17, 2020.

Vice Chair Bowman explained that the Committee wants that info to see alignment across all schools in the district. She also asked about the DESE guidelines it says 6 to 3 feet for physical distancing.

Dr. Salim answered that the guidelines are what are used in other countries. There is still language that is aspiring to 6 feet but at least 3 feet. There is still the question as to whether we can even meet that parameter.

Vice Chair Bowman believes we need to stick to 6 feet. She also wants to know how the district will manage with the cohorts of kids who belong to families that want their child held back?

Superintendent Salim responded that the district made a decision not to hold kids back unless they were failing before the closure.

Mr. Maloney added we have not seen a large increase of requests of this nature at this time. Maybe in a year from now, if there are some JK or K parents that voluntarily don't enter their child, then we will have a significant space problem. Under the Controlled Choice policy, if a parent doesn't enroll, they lose their space at the school and then they have to re-enter the lottery.

Vice Chair Bowman responded to the Controlled Choice Policy stating that it is that something that needs to be re-evaluated in the near future. She would also like to have a conversation about the fact that since the School Committee did not vote to close schools, do we need to vote to re-open schools? This is an important technicality. There needs some research done on this.

Member Rachel stated that there are two hybrid models. What if this body votes to have a 100% remote plan?

Superintendent Salim stated we are going to have to submit to the state both a hybrid, remote and a fully in classroom plan. There are variations and we don't know what all of the components are going to be.

Member Rachel asked if we are going to be voting on three different models on July 21, 2020.

Dr. Salim answered he plans for the Committee to vote on the hybrid structure with health and safety regulations and also vote for a fully remote model to accommodate the families' requests.

Mayor Siddiqui stated that our remote model needs a lot of work. If we are only going to do remote learning, our current plan is not adequate, how are we going to submit plans to the state? There are teachers that have their own children to consider, the fall planning is going to need to accommodate remote learning. July 1st is tomorrow. We are already getting feedback from the Task Force and the Working Groups. We need more information from those two groups and what the CRLS Team is doing. The Committee needs to know the information now. She is concerned about is the quality of learning. We have to do better on our transparency and communication. We have to think about mental health and our scholars. Lastly, what are the plans for and the opportunities for music and athletics?

Member Rojas stated that if we are going to vote on hybrid models A or B, it is very different than voting on curriculum changes.

Superintendent Salim spoke on curriculum changes, there is no formal decision around that, that will be ongoing work with the educator collaborators. He can provide updates to the Committee about the progress.

Member Weinstein stated we don't know what fully remote and hybrid looks like overall and don't know what it is going to look like going forward. We need to be very intentional about being robust on this issue.

On a motion by Member Wilson, seconded by Vice Chair Bowman, on the following roll call vote, the meeting was adjourned: Member Rojas YEA; Member Rachel YEA; Member Weinstein YEA; Member Wilson YEA; Vice Chair Bowman YEA; Member Fantini YEA; Mayor Siddiqui YEA.

Adjourned > (8:30 p.m.).

Attest: 

Doshia Beard

Executive Secretary to the School Committee

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

- Agenda
- Covid-19 Response Update SY Planning
- CPS @ Home Answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

E-Mail communication (copies on file in the School Committee office)

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| ○ Jen Mason Stott | Andrea Parker | Matt Dunkel |
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