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April 1, 2025

ORDERED:

That Superintendent's Recommendation #25-077 Grant Award, be adopted as follows: that the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated:

FY25 Cambridge Community Foundation/Biogen (SC25159) – Private – in the amount of \$45,455.00 for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

DESCRIPTION: This grant is for the STAR Initiative -a coordinated funding strategy from Biogen via the Cambridge Community Foundation (fiscal agent) designed to help catalyze the development of local STEM ecosystems in Cambridge and Somerville. STAR (which stands for Science, Teacher support, Access and Readiness) is intended to strengthen the educational landscapes in these cities by helping increase access to STEM resources and opportunities for students most underrepresented in STEM college programs and careers. This is the final year for this grant. Funds will be used to:

Support .45 FTE of the STAR Data Specialist who in partnership with other STAR Initiative
partners analyzes the impact of out of school time (OST) programs on CPS students from
multiple vantage points and helps strengthen relationships and alignment between OST
programs and schools to increase access to STEM opportunities for Cambridge students.

A true copy:

Attest:

Katherine Christo
Executive Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

c: Superintendent