

WESTWOOD SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH COMMITTEE      DATE: 3/7/2023

Meeting opened at 5:07 PM

Members Present: Tony Mullin (co-chair), Maya Plotkin (co-chair), Rob Gotti, Lateefah Franck, Amy Davenport, Kristen Evans, Alison Donahue, Emily Kessel, Tien-Lih Chen, Justyne Collier, Liz Volpe, Brian Regan, Orla Averill, Theresa Laham, Riley Harrington

Absent: none

Also present: Jim Hardy, MASC

Motion: Under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 30A, Section 21, subsection (a)(8), I move to enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing applications for employment as Superintendent of Schools for the Westwood Public Schools by this preliminary screening committee since an open meeting will have a detrimental effect in obtaining qualified candidates, and we will not return to open session.

Motion made by: Rob Gotti

Seconded by: Brian Regan

Roll Call:

Yes: Tony Mullin, Maya Plotkin, Rob Gotti, Lateefah Franck, Amy Davenport, Kristen Evans, Alison Donahue, Emily Kessel, Tien-Lih Chen, Justyne Collier, Liz Volpe, Brian Regan, Orla Averill, Theresa Laham, Riley Harrington

No: None

Mr. Hardy led a discussion of the 25 applications the screening committee received for the position of Superintendent of Schools in Westwood. The Search committee reviewed the applications against the qualifications and selection criteria published in the Announcement of Vacancy brochure.

Motion: To invite the following candidates (listed alphabetically) for preliminary interviews:

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Motion made by: Amy Davenport

Seconded by: Lateefah Franck

Roll Call:

Yes: Tony Mullin, Maya Plotkin, Rob Gotti, Lateefah Franck, Amy Davenport, Kristen Evans, Alison Donahue, Emily Kessel, Tien-Lih Chen, Justyne Collier, Liz Volpe, Brian Regan, Orla Averill, Theresa Laham, Riley Harrington

No: None

Mr. Hardy discussed the process for selecting interview questions. Each member received the Question Compilation Guide prepared by MASC as well as the survey results. Members were to submit their preferred question to Mr. Hardy who will prepare an interview document. Mr. Hardy would contact any individual member if there were duplications in the questions.

Mr. Hardy reminded everyone of the interview schedule as printed in the approved search timeline.

Motion: To adjourn

Motion made by: Rob Gotti

Seconded by: Theresa Laham

Roll Call:

Yes: Tony Mullin, Maya Plotkin, Rob Gotti, Lateefah Franck, Amy Davenport, Kristen Evans, Alison Donahue, Emily Kessel, Tien-Lih Chen, Justyne Collier, Liz Volpe, Brian Regan, Orla Averill, Theresa Laham, Riley Harrington

No: none

Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm

Respectfully Submitted

James Hardy, MASC