

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Boston School Committee Nominating Panel**  
Tuesday, December 2, 2021, 3:05-6:05 p.m.  
Meeting by remote participation via Zoom

Members Present:

Laurie Ciardi, Chairperson, Mayoral appointee  
Tony Barros, City of Boston, Mayoral appointee  
Angelina Camacho, Boston Parent Organizing Network  
Joanne Freeman, Citywide Parent Council  
Jerry Howland, Mayoral appointee  
Charlie Kim, Special Education Parent Advisory Council  
Michael Maguire, Boston Teachers Union  
Susan Ou, Bilingual Parent Advisory Council  
John Riordan, Boston Municipal Research Bureau  
Rhoda Schneider (for MA Commissioner of Elementary & Secondary Education)

1. Call Meeting to Order

Laurie Ciardi, Chairperson of the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Panel deferred action on reviewing and approving the minutes of the December 1 meeting.

3. Review List of Applicants to Interview

Ms. Ciardi said one more application was submitted by the deadline, on November 30, but there was a delay in uploading it. The Panel reviewed the application and, on a motion duly made and seconded, **voted**, with 2 abstentions, to add the applicant to the interview list for December 6. Ms. Ciardi said she would contact the applicant and schedule the interview. The Panel then reviewed the list of six applicants to be interviewed today for the two open School Committee seats (four-year terms expiring 1/5/2026).

4. Interview Applicants

The Panel interviewed the six applicants.

5. Public Comment

Ms. Ciardi invited members of the public attending the meeting to submit comments. Two observers offered comments, each encouraging the Panel to consider issues of equity when considering the applicants and deliberating on nominations.

## 6. Discussion

In response to a question from Mr. Kim, Ms. Ciardi said there would be an opportunity for public comment at the December 6 meeting after the Panel concludes the interviews and before the Panel deliberates. Ms. Ciardi said she would send the updated interview list to the Panel before the December 6 meeting.

## 7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Panel **voted** unanimously to adjourn its meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rhoda E. Schneider