



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

January 6, 2014

The Boston School Committee held its annual organizational meeting on January 6, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. at the Edward Winter Chambers, 26 Court Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

For more information, contact the office of the Boston School Committee:
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ATTENDANCE

School Committee Members Present: Dr. Hardin Coleman; Rev. Gregory G. Groover; Michael Loconto; Claudio Martinez; Margaret McKenna; and Michael O'Neill.

School Committee Members Absent: Meg Campbell and student representative Ayomide Olumuyiwa.

CALL TO ORDER

Michael O'Neill called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance. He then congratulated Mayor Martin J. Walsh, who was sworn into office earlier that day, and pledged to work collaboratively with the new administration.

Mr. O'Neill welcomed new School Committee member Michael Loconto, a labor relations attorney and Boston Public Schools parent, who was appointed by Mayor Walsh to fill the seat formerly held by Mary Tamer. He thanked Ms. Tamer for her service and commitment to Boston's students and families, noting her work on the Mayor's External Advisory Committee on School Choice and the Inclusion Task Force. Mr. O'Neill also congratulated Dr. Coleman on his reappointment to the Committee.

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APPROVAL OF 2014 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

The School Committee unanimously approved the 2014 meeting calendar.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair: Mr. O'Neill called for nominations for the office of chair. Rev. Groover nominated Mr. O'Neill. Dr. Coleman seconded the nomination. The Committee voted by unanimous consent to close the nominations for chairperson. Mr. O'Neill accepted the nomination.

On roll call, the Committee voted unanimously to elect Mr. O'Neill chair of the Boston School Committee.

Vice Chair: Mr. O'Neill called for nominations for the office of vice chair. Ms. McKenna nominated Mr. Martinez. Dr. Coleman seconded the nomination. The Committee voted by unanimous consent to close the nominations for vice chair. Mr. Martinez accepted the nomination.

On roll call, the Committee voted unanimously to elect Mr. Martinez vice chair of the Boston School Committee.

Mr. Martinez thanked his colleagues for selecting him as vice chair. Mr. O'Neill also expressed his thanks, and then he summarized the committee's accomplishments from the past year and discussed the work ahead.

ADJOURN

At approximately 5 p.m., the School Committee voted by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting.

Attest:

Laura Dzirony
Secretary