



- a.) *District Recorder*
- b.) *Assistant Clerk*
- c.) *Clerk*

Chairman Hatem reported that the District Recorder is Cheryl Dennis, the Assistant Clerk is Susan Lally and the Clerk is Superintendent Lavoie. He asked the Committee to vote for the three positions.

**MOTION:** Mr. Jones moved to approve to accept the District Recorder, the Assistant Clerk and the Clerk as presented.

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Tarbox

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous  
#18604

- d.) *Assistant Treasurer*

Supt. Lavoie explained that the Assistant Treasurer is a backup to the Treasurer.

Chairman Hatem opened up the floor for nominations for Assistant Treasurer.

**MOTION:** Ms. Faris moved to nominate Mr. Tarbox for Assistant Treasurer.

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Mercedes

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous  
#18606

- e.) *Vice Chairman*

Chairman Hatem opened up the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson

**MOTION:** Mr. Mercedes moved to nominate Julio Mejia for Vice Chairperson

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Jones

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous  
#18607

*f.) Chairperson*

Chairman Hatem opened up the floor for nominations for Chairperson

**MOTION:** Mr. Jones moved to nominate Mr. Hatem for Chairperson

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Tarbox

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous  
#18608

**MOTION:** Mr. Mejia moved to nominate Ms. Disla for Chairperson

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Mercedes

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Ms. Faris    | No  |
| Ms. Disla    | No  |
| Mr. Jones    | No  |
| Mr. Mejia    | No  |
| Mr. Mercedes | No  |
| Mr. Tarbox   | No  |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

1 yes', 6 nos'

Motion does not pass

#18609

**MOTION:** Mr. Jones moved to close the nominations for Chairperson

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Mercedes

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous  
#18610

*g.) Seating Chart*

No seating was changed.

**3. STUDENT OPPORTUNITY ACT**

Supt. Lavoie reported that the Student Opportunity Act is a grant that is given to the schools for the purpose of ensuring that all students get a quality education. This funding is part of our chapter 74 money. The Committee already voted and approved it in our budget. Supt. Lavoie reported that Mr. Joshua Ouellette, Coordinator of Curriculum, MTSS and Professional Learning is present tonight, has worked hard on this so that it can be submitted by April 1, 2024. Mr. Ouellette has a presentation that he would like to present to the District Committee. It can be presented tonight and again in more depth at our next District Committee Meeting. Mr. Ouellette reported that he will give a high-level overview tonight and then will present at the next meeting. The goal of SOA is to ensure that every student in Massachusetts has access to high quality public education regardless of their zip code. We have to identify which groups our data needs to focus on. We made data base conclusions which has determined we have a disproportion for students with disabilities and multi-lingual learners and suspensions as compared to across the district. The second data base conclusion was that math and ELA MCAS achievement for students with disabilities and multi-lingual learners was at a far lower percentages then those students meeting or succeeding in Math and ELA as compared to their peers. These were the two areas that had the most gaps in achievement. Mr. Jones asked what the biggest defense of suspension. Mr. Ouellette reported Marijuana. Mr. Mercedes asked why we don't have inhouse suspension. Supt. Lavoie reported that the amount of money that we allocated is about 2 million dollars that has been targeted to improve the two areas identified. Mr. Mejia reported that he would like to see the SOA for 2021-2024. It will be provided at the next meeting. Mr. Mercedes would like the head of discipline to attend the next meeting.

**MOTION:** Mr. Mercedes moved to have the head of the Discipline office attend our next meeting.

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Ms. Disla

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous

#18611

**MOTION:** Ms. Faris moved to approve the Student Opportunity Act as presented.

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Ms. Disla

Roll Call by District Recorder

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Ms. Disla    | Yes |
| Mr. Mejia    | Yes |
| Mr. Mercedes | Yes |
| Mr. Jones    | Yes |
| Mr. Tarbox   | Yes |
| Ms. Faris    | Yes |
| Mr. Hatem    | Yes |

**VOTE:** Unanimous

#18612

#### **4. AVIATION ADDITION PROJECT**

Supt. Lavoie reported that we got four quotes for the new Aviation Building and wanted to bring it to the District Committee tonight due to the time constraints. We need it to be finished by August because the funding source ends in August. We are behind due to the drawings and quotes taken longer than expected. We have four quotes and by law, we have to go with the lowest bidder. The District Committee has the bid documents with the bid amounts and companies.

**MOTION:** Mr. Tarbox moved to move forward with hiring the company with the lowest bid for the Aviation Building.

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Ms. Faris

Roll Call by District Recorder

Ms. Faris                    Yes

Ms. Disla                    Yes

Mr. Mejia                    Yes

Mr. Mercedes                Yes

Mr. Jones                    Yes

Mr. Tarbox                    Yes

Mr. Hatem                    Yes

**VOTE:** Unanimous

#18613

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mr. Mejia moved to adjourn at 6:30PM

**2<sup>ND</sup>:** Mr. Mercedes

**VOTE:** Unanimous

#18614

Respectfully Submitted:



Susan Lally  
District Recorder

Minutes Reviewed:



John N. Lavoie  
Superintendent-Director