

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MALDEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 18, 2026
Herbert L. Jackson Council Chamber Room #106 - 215 Pleasant Street Malden, MA and
Virtual Meeting

Mayor Christenson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Mayor Christenson reads: “On March 28, 2025, Governor Maura Healey signed legislation extending certain COVID-19 relief measures, including extending remote meetings for public bodies. The same provisions which permitted multiple member bodies to meet remotely or come together in a hybrid manner have been extended through June 30th, 2027.

This extension allows public bodies to continue to meet remotely or in a hybrid manner without a quorum of the public body physically present at a meeting location, so long as the public body provides adequate alternative means of access to remote meetings.

This meeting will be conducted via remote participation. This meeting will not include in-person attendance by members of the public. But all efforts will be made public access will be made available via remote access by Internet and telephone. Public access will also be provided by posting draft minutes and/or a transcript, recording, or record of the meeting on the City of Malden website at cityofmalden.org as soon as practicable after the meeting.”

Mayor Christenson read docket items for the meeting.

Mayor Christenson led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for those who have served our country and for those who continue to do so.

Roll Call

The following attendance was taken:

Mayor Christenson - Present

Mr. Drummey - Present

Mr. McCarthy - Present

Ms. Spadafora - Present

Ms. Macklin - Present

Ms. Hortie - Present

Mr. Piazza - Present

Mr. Bernard - Present

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg - Present

Superintendent Sippel - Present

Executive Session

Ms. Spadafora made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:05 p.m.. Ms. Roze-Zeiberg seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Drummey - Yes

Mr. McCarthy - Yes

Ms. Spadafora - Yes

Ms. Macklin - Yes

Ms. Hortie - Yes

Mr. Piazza - Yes

Mr. Bernard - Yes

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg - Yes

Mayor Christenson - Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

The committee reconvened to regular session at 6:29 p.m.

Adjournment

Mr. Bernard made a motion to adjourn at 6:29 p.m. Mr. McCarthy seconded and a roll call vote was taken as follows:

Roll Call

Mayor Christenson - Yes

Councillor Linehan - Yes

Mr. Drummey - Yes

Mr. McCarthy - Yes

Ms. Spadafora - Yes

Ms. Macklin - Yes

Ms. Hortie - Yes

Mr. Piazza - Yes

Mr. Bernard - Yes

Ms. Rose-Zeiberg - Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

I certify that a notice of this meeting was filed with the Clerk of the City of Malden in the manner provided under Chapter 39, Section 23A of the General Laws.

Ariana Langston

Ariana Langston, Clerk