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# SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
# MINUTES
# MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026
# 1:30 PM
# REMOTE MEETING WITH ZOOM ACCESS

Present via Zoom – School Committee: Lynette Kelleher, Scott Jamison, James Steele, Brian Waterson, Sharon Whitt
Present via Zoom – School Administration: James O'Shea, Superintendent; Mary O'Regan, Assistant to the Superintendent

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I. **Call to Order -** Mr. Waterson called the meeting to order at 1:37 PM.

II. **Search Committee Finalists -** The School Committee received an update on the Interim Superintendent search process. A 15 member Search Committee, consisting of administrators, teachers, and community members, was formed to identify candidates for the one-year Interim Superintendent position. It was noted that a search for a permanent Superintendent will be conducted during the next school year. The Committee reviewed 36 applications and used a rubric to identify a shortlist of candidates. Following an additional round of review, five candidates were invited to interview with the Search Committee. Reference checks were conducted for three candidates, and the Search Committee ultimately voted to bring forward two finalists to the Carlisle School Committee: Linda Dwight and Lucia Sullivan. Mr. Waterson will provide School Committee members with copies of the finalists' resumes and the questions asked during the first round of interviews. Mr. Waterson expressed appreciation for the significant amount of work completed by the Search Committee in a short period of time and noted the value of the Committee's work.

III. **Finalists Interview Process Timeline -** The Committee discussed the schedule and logistics for the finalist school visits and interview process. Linda Dwight will visit the schools on Friday, May 1, and Lucia Sullivan will visit on Monday, May 4. Each visit will include approximately one and a half hours for a school walkthrough and classroom visits, followed by lunch with both elementary and middle school staff. Opportunities for community engagement during the process were discussed. Members noted that there is community interest in meeting the candidates; however, due logistical considerations and the short time frame there will not be a

community meeting planned. Interested community members may provide public comment at the May 13 School Committee meeting. Interviews will be conducted in a public format at a meeting yet to be scheduled, and the School Committee will deliberate and vote at its May 13 meeting. Public interviews are expected to last approximately one hour for each candidate. Committee members were asked to submit interview questions to Mr. Waterson by the end of the day on May 3. Mr. Waterson will also connect with CTA President David Zuckerman regarding how to collect feedback from teachers following the school visits. Members noted that the current process provided valuable learning experiences and that lessons learned would be applied to the search for a permanent Superintendent during the 2026–2027 school year.

**IV. Adjournment -** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Jamison and seconded by Ms. Whitt. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 2:04 PM.
Roll Call Vote: Kelleher, aye; Jamison, aye; Steele, aye; Waterson, aye; Whitt, aye

Respectfully Submitted
Mary O'Regan
Assistant to the Superintendent
April 27, 2026