

**MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Special School Committee Meeting

Virtual

Monday, December 13, 2021

Committee Present:

Sean Nicholson, Dorothy Scally, Erick Brown, Dorothy Scally, Kerry Laurence

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Kerry Laurence.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: On a motion of Phil DeZutter, seconded by Sean Nicholson, to approve the agenda.

VOTED:

Sean Nicholson, yes

Erick Martin, yes

Vikki Ludwigson, yes

Kerry Laurence, yes

Phil DeZutter, yes

Dorothy Scally, yes

**III. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT FINALISTS**

Vikki Ludwigson updated the School Committee with the report of the Superintendent Screening Committee.

She read the following:

*We are pleased to report on the activities of the Mendon Upton Regional School District Superintendent Search Screening Committee.*

*Over a period of three weeks this November and December, the Screening Committee met on several occasions to organize for the work, review applications, and interview candidates for the position of Superintendent of Schools. We enjoyed our conversations with applicants representing a range of experiences and backgrounds. We thank all those who expressed an interest in becoming our next Superintendent.*

*The Screening Committee reviewed all the completed applications and subsequently selected a number of candidates, who were invited to meet with the Screening Committee for a preliminary interview. Following the preliminary interviews and after much in-depth discussion and consideration, the Screening Committee, during its meeting on December 8, 2021, voted to recommend **two** candidates for further consideration by the Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee.*

*The two candidates, listed in **alphabetical** order, are:*

**Dr. Margaret Adams**, Assistant Superintendent of the Melrose Public Schools, Melrose, MA

**Dr. Maureen Cohen**, Interim Superintendent of the Mendon Upton Regional School District, Mendon, MA

*On behalf of the School Committee and the Towns of Mendon and Upton, we would like to thank the members of the Screening Committee for the many hours they devoted to reviewing applications, interviewing candidates, and deliberating during the preliminary selection process. The conversations were lively, insightful, and courteous. It was a pleasure to work with this group of truly dedicated people.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Vikki Ludwigson, Chair, Superintendent Search Screening Committee  
Philip De Zutter, Vice Chair, Superintendent Search Screening Committee*

Vikki stated resumes of the finalist will be posted to the website. School Committee will need to schedule a meeting to determine upcoming timeline/questions/calling references so interviews can be held after the winter break.

It was determined the next meeting will be Monday December 20 at 6:30 pm. Vikki will follow up with the School Committee with additional information from the consultant.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: MOTION: On motion of Phil DeZutter, seconded by Sean Nicholson to adjourn

VOTED:

Sean Nicholson, yes  
Erick Martin, yes  
Vikki Ludwigson, yes  
Kerry Laurence, yes  
Phil DeZutter, yes  
Dorothy Scally, yes

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.  
Minutes by Kelly McElreath