



Springfield Public Schools
Office of the School Committee
1550 Main Street, 2 FLR
Springfield, MA 01103-1410

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, March 12, 2026

LOCATION

City Hall, 36 Court Street, Room 220, Springfield, MA

I. CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL MEETING – ROLL CALL

Chairman, Mayor Sarno called the Special Meeting to order at 5:16 PM.

Roll Call Attendance:

Ms. Valentin - Present
Ms. Crawford - Present
Ms. Hurst - Present
Mr. Gomez, Jr. - Present
Ms. Gresham - Absent
Ms. Monroe-Naylor (Vice Chair) - Present
Mayor Sarno (Chair) - Present

A. Invocation

A moment of silence was held.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Sarno.

II. Vote to enter Executive Session for the following:

A. Pursuant to Mass. G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares:

- i. Springfield Public Health Nurses, Professional and Health Care Division, United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local 1459 (School Nurses) - Successor Contract Negotiations.**
- ii. Technical Employees Association MTA/NEA - Successor Contract Negotiations.**

B. Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (a)3, for purposes of discussing strategy with respect to pending litigation before the Bureau of Special Appeals (BSEA NO.

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2605261) as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the School Committee.

C. Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21, (a)1, for purposes of discussing an Open Meeting Law Complaints against the School Committee.

On a motion made by Ms. Crawford and seconded by Mr. Gomez, Jr., a roll-call vote was taken. It was noted that the School Committee will not reconvene into open session concluding the Executive Session.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Valentin - Yes
Ms. Crawford - Yes
Ms. Hurst - Yes
Mr. Gomez, Jr. - Yes
Ms. Gresham - Absent
Ms. Monroe-Naylor (Vice Chair) - Yes
Mayor Sarno (Chair) - Yes

Motion passes to enter into executive session. The School Committee moved into the mayor's chambers at 5:18 PM to commence the Executive Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Triny Vargas
Executive Assistant to the School Committee