

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

1. Nominations

At the first meeting after new members have been sworn in, the Superintendent will open the floor for nominations and invite members to nominate another member or themselves as candidates to serve as the next Chairperson. A second is not needed for a nomination. Once all candidates have been identified, the Superintendent will ask for a motion to declare that nominations are closed.

2. Discussion

At the Superintendent's discretion, each nominee will be given an opportunity to speak to (or decline) their nomination. Members may speak in support of a candidate.

3. Voting

When discussion is complete, the Superintendent will call for a roll call vote. Each member will be polled, and they will vote for one candidate. A candidate must have a majority of weighted votes to be elected. The Candidate with the most weighted votes will be declared the new Chairperson unless no candidate receives a majority vote*. If no one receives a majority vote for the position, additional roll call votes will be taken until someone is elected. Discussion is allowed between each vote.

4. The new Chairperson will follow the same process to elect a Vice-Chairperson from Acton and a Vice-Chairperson from Boxborough.

5. The new Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons will take office on August 1 per the policy.

6. Per the Regional Agreement, a Secretary and a Treasurer will be appointed by a vote of the Committee.

*A majority vote means that more than half of the weighted votes of those voting approve a motion. More specifically, it means that more than half of the votes cast by persons legally entitled to vote at a properly called meeting with a quorum present approve a motion. Blank ballots or abstentions do not count. By this definition, the weighted votes of those voting - not necessarily those present - determine the majority.

REF: Acton-Boxborough Regional Agreement, effective July 1, 2014
Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, <https://www.kidlink.org/docs/RobertRules/toc.html>

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