



May 21, 2024

Minutes of the Lawrence Alliance for Education Board – LAE

The FY 25 Budget Hearing was held at the South Lawrence East Educational Complex Auditorium with the following members present: Patricia Mariano, Chair; Dr. Dolores Calaf, Early Childhood and K-12 Education, Consultant with Community Collaborative; Juana Matias, Regional Administrator for the New England Regional Office, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); via Zoom Edgar De Leon, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Director at Noble and Greenough School; Maria Moeller, CEO/The Community Group; Arlene Garcia, Parent Liaison, Lawrence Family Development Charter School. Absent: Mayor Brian De Peña

Also present, Mr. Juan Rodriguez, Interim Superintendent and Maria L. Campusano, Recording Secretary for this meeting.

Chair Mariano, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Chair called the audience to recite the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Patricia Mariano read a notice that appeared in the local newspaper: *“A public hearing on the proposed 2024-2025 Lawrence Public School budget will be held on May 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the South Lawrence East educational complex auditorium at 165 Crawford Street Lawrence, MA the proposed budget is for the time period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. A copy of the proposed fiscal year 2025 budget will be made available on the LPS website by the end of the day on May 14, 2024.*

Public Comments

No one came forward to speak about the LPS Budget

Chair Mariano also indicated that the public will have another opportunity to weigh in at the City Council Budget and Finance Subcommittee meeting which will be held at City Hall. As soon as that date is available we'll make that public to the citizens

VOTED: To close the Public Budget Hearing at 6:13 p.m.

Vote: Upon the recommendation of the Chair Patricia Mariano to close the public hearing; So move by Juana Matias; Seconded by Maria Moeller.

The Vote
Yes - Dr. Dolores Calaf
Yes - Edgar de Leon
Yes - Arlene Garcia
Yes - Juana Matias
Yes - Maria Moeller
Yes - Chair Patricia Mariano



VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Vote: Upon the recommendation of the Chair Patricia Mariano to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.; So move by Juana Matias; Seconded by Arlene Garcia

The Vote	Yes - Dr. Dolores Calaf
	Yes - Edgar de Leon
	Yes - Arlene Garcia
	Yes - Juana Matias
	Yes - Maria Moeller
	Yes - Chair Patricia Mariano

Ms. Patricia Mariano, Chair
Date