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SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

For the purpose of organizing, the School Committee at its first regular meeting in January will select from its members a vice-chairperson and representative before the city government. Following an election year, the selection of officers will take place at the first regular meeting following the swearing in of elected members. Persons selected for these positions shall hold their respective offices for one year or until the next organizational meeting the following January.

The Superintendent of Schools will be Secretary of the Committee. The Mayor, as chairperson, will preside over the meeting. Nominations for the office of vice-chairperson will be made from the floor. The vice-chairperson must be elected by majority roll call vote of the whole Committee. If no nominee receives a majority vote, nominations will be re-opened. If the Committee is unable to successfully elect a vice-chairperson, the chairperson may entertain a motion to suspend the election, which would require a two-thirds vote of those present and voting. In the event that the election process is suspended, the most senior member of the School Committee will be offered the opportunity to serve as interim vice-chairperson. In the event that two or more members have the same level of seniority, names will be drawn by lot. If the most senior member declines, the next most senior member will be offered the opportunity in succession until the position is filled. This same procedure will also be used for selecting the representative before the city government.

Thereafter, the Mayor may call for the election process to resume at his discretion or upon a motion passed by a majority vote of the whole Committee. Following the selection of officers at its organizational meeting, by election or otherwise, the School Committee may proceed into such regular or special business as scheduled on the agenda.

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Note: The Treasurer of the City of Chicopee serves as the Treasurer of the School Committee.