

Report of the **MASC NOMINATING COMMITTEE-2026**

The Nominating Committee met on June 25, 2026 in Marlborough. The following members were present: Division I: Kayla Biagioni-Smith, Tewksbury; Division IV: Katherine Hennessy, Marlborough; Division V: Sarahbess Kenney, Pelham and Amherst-Pelham Regional; Division VI: Carrie Greene, Mt. Greylock Regional; Division VII: Glenda Cohen, Falmouth; Division VIII: Charlie Ellis, Nashoba Reg. Voc. Tech.; Division IX: Melissa Costa, New Bedford.

Following the interview of the candidates, it was voted that the following nominations be forwarded to the Board of Directors for presentation at the Delegate Assembly, which will be held on Friday, November 6 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Boston North Shore in Danvers, MA.

President-Elect: Stephanie Clougherty, Carver ■ Vice President: Michelle Bodin-Hettinger, Marlborough ■
Secretary-Treasurer: Bridget Garabedian, Tewksbury

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Fraser, Plympton and Silver Lake Reg., Immediate Past President
Chair, Nominating Committee

NOMINATED FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT

Stephanie M. Clougherty, Carver

Stephanie Clougherty currently serves as Vice President of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC), having previously served as Secretary-Treasurer and Chair of Division VII (Cape and Islands). As a member of the MASC Executive Committee and Board of Directors, she provides statewide leadership on issues impacting public education across the Commonwealth. She also currently serves as Chair of the Personnel Committee and Vice Chair of the Budget Committee. Stephanie has previously served as Vice Chair of the Legislative Committee; Chair of the Investments Committee; Chair of the Mission/Value Statement Committee; and as a member of the Budget, Policy, Resolution, Strategic Planning, and Diversity, Belonging, Inclusion, and Equity (DBIE) Steering Committees.

Stephanie is currently serving her tenth year as an elected member of the Carver School Committee and her fifth year as Chair. Throughout her tenure, she has served on numerous subcommittees, including Athletic Policy, Negotiations, Policy, Student Advisory, and Superintendent Evaluation. Her commitment to Carver Public Schools began in 2011 through her service on the Carver Elementary School Handbook Committee, Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), and School Council.

A dedicated community volunteer, Stephanie has devoted more than fourteen years to Girl Scouting in Carver, serving in numerous leadership roles including Leader, Co-Leader, Encampment Director, Certified Archery Instructor, Certified Canoe Instructor, Cookie Coordinator, Secretary/Treasurer, Service Unit Coordinator, and Social Media Coordinator. Her commitment to community ser-

vice has also included appointments to the Carver Finance Committee, Carver Cultural Council, Carver Council on Aging Board of Directors, Carver Music Boosters, Carver Athletic Boosters and other civic organizations.

Professionally, Stephanie brings more than three decades of accounting and management experience spanning private industry and municipal government. Her expertise includes financial reporting, budgeting, payroll, general ledger management, reconciliations, regulatory compliance, and fiscal stewardship. Her experience in municipal finance, combined with her extensive governance and leadership roles, has earned her a reputation as a collaborative leader committed to transparency, accountability, strategic planning, and responsible management of public resources.

Stephanie is passionate about strengthening public education, promoting sound governance, and serving her community through collaborative leadership, fiscal responsibility, and a steadfast commitment to excellence.

NOMINATED FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Michelle Bodin-Hettinger, Marlborough

Michelle is currently serving her 21st year as a member of the Marlborough School Committee, and has been on the MASC Board of Directors as Division IV Chair since 2018.

On the Marlborough School Committee she has served as Vice Chair since 2012 and prior to that as Secretary (2005-2012). She has also served on numerous of its subcommittees, including: Policy; Negotiations; Wellness; Evaluation; ABAR; as well as numerous hiring and search committees. Michelle has also been an active presence in the city's community, as founder of the Marlborough Education Foundation; as President of the Jaworek Elementary

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School PTO and Chair of Cultural Programming; as volunteer social worker for over 15 years at the Metro West Free Medical Program; as a longtime member of the Marlborough Democratic City Committee; a participant of Habitat for Humanity; and a multi-year coordinator for the Walk to End Alzheimer's.

Having had the privilege of attending high school at The Peddie School in Hightstown, NJ, Michelle has been the Class Secretary for 45 years and serves on the Peddie Leadership Council.

Michelle received her B.S. in Human Development and Family Studies from Cornell University and her MSW from the University of Pennsylvania. She is a licensed clinical social worker, currently working for a visiting nurse company, following a career helping elders and their families navigate the aging process. Michelle has lived in Marlborough for over 30 years with her husband Lee Hettinger, an Assistant District Attorney in Middlesex County, and daughter Alexis and son Benjamin who both went through the Marlborough Public Schools.

NOMINATED FOR SECRETARY-TREASURER

Bridget Garabedian, Tewksbury

Bridget Garabedian has served on the Tewksbury School Committee since 2021 and has served as Chair since 2022. Her committee work includes the Policy Subcommittee, where she helped establish the district's first formal policy review process. She has participated on the Wellness Subcommittee and as the SEPAC liaison. She has also served on the TTA and ESP collective bargaining negotiating teams, including the Secretarial, Nurses and Custodial negotiating teams. She chaired the district's full superintendent search with MASC and again chaired an internal superintendent search. She has also served on search committees for two Assistant Superintendents, the Director of Special Education, a Middle School Principal, an Elementary Principal, and several central office staff.

At MASC, Bridget is in her second term as Chair of Division I and is the 2026 Legislative Chair, where she has focused on rebuilding legislative outreach and supporting staff at Day on the Hill. She also serves on the Budget and Finance Subcommittee, the Personnel Subcommittee, and the Resolutions Committee, and previously served two terms as Division I Secretary-Treasurer and on the Nominating Committee for the Executive Committee. She represents MASC on the MIAA Tournament Management Committee and has been a delegate to the annual MASS/MASC Joint Conference, moderating sessions since joining the Board. She has attended NSBA conferences in Atlanta and San Antonio, the NSBA Advocacy and Equity Institute and Leadership Seminar — where she met with Massachusetts Congressional delegation members — and participated in MASC's strategic planning retreat and workshop process.

Beyond MASC, Bridget is active in her community of Tewksbury, including the Patriotic Committee, Safe Halloween, the Tewksbury School Facility Study Committee, Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library, and as a board member of the Dr. Sandy Johnson Creamer Foundation nursing scholarship. Professionally, she has worked as an Emergency Room nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital for 26 years, and in a Level 1 trauma and burn center serving both adult and pediatric patients—experience she credits with shaping her approach to school committee work.

PRESIDENT, 2027

Beverley Griffin Dunne, Peabody and Essex Tech.

A life-long resident of Peabody, Beverley Griffin Dunne is now completing her 23rd year as an elected member of the Peabody School Committee. Her service and interest in working for the improvement and protection of public education began long before that, when she served during her high school years as a member of the First Student Advisory Board in Massachusetts. Beverley takes the words of her City's namesake, George Peabody, to heart: "Education – A debt due from present to future generations". Her commitment to education is also demonstrated through her representation for the past nine years as the Peabody representative on the Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School Committee, where she presently serves as Vice-Chair of the Committee and as Chair of the Admissions Subcommittee.

Beverley's involvement with MASC began as soon as she became a school committee member. She has served every year since 2004 as the Peabody Delegate to the MASC Delegate Assembly. Beverley believes participating in the trainings provided by MASC has been vital to her work on her school committees, and she strongly encourages her fellow committee members to take part in all that MASC offers its members. The advocacy work of MASC has been a particular interest of Beverley's. Ten years ago, Beverley became a member of the MASC Board of Directors serving as Chair of Division I, then as MASC Secretary-Treasurer, Vice President, and President-Elect. She has served as a member of the Policy, Investment, and Regional Schools Subcommittees, the Nominating Committee, as Vice-Chair of the Legislative Committee, and has served as a facilitator at the Annual Conferences. Beverley has attended the NSBA Equity and Advocacy Symposiums and NSBA Conferences and Regional Conferences. Beverley has never forgotten her roots and continues to advocate strongly for strengthening student leadership in addition to always advocating for public schools.

Beverley is a graduate of Peabody Veterans Memorial High School, Northeastern University, and Vermont Law School. A practicing attorney, Beverley is a solo practitioner concentrating in general practice, mental health law,

probate and estates law, education law, military issues and government and policy issues.

Beverley is very active in her community and serves on several Boards of Directors and City committees as well as Military organizations and boards. She is presently the Chair of the Peabody Veterans Memorial High School Building Committee, an MSBA project to build a new high school, and served as Chair of the Welch School Building Committee - a \$32M MSBA project, and as Chair of the Higgins School Building Committee- a \$92M MSBA project. Beverley was awarded the MASC Lifetime Achievement Award, the Pride of Peabody Award, and is the recipient of a Navy Letter of Appreciation for her service as a Navy Ombudsman. Beverley also was awarded Peabody's Mary Upton Ferrin Award and recently received the Scouting America, Greater Boston Spirit of Adventure Council Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Beverley is a proud military spouse and has been serving her community and serving and running for office during her husband's combat deployments while keeping

everything on track at home. Married to Robert Dunne, a retired Federal Agent and a now-retired US Navy Mustang Intelligence Officer, Beverley and Bob are the parents of four wonderful children – a son and three daughters, two sons-in-law, a soon-to-be son-in-law, and a beautiful new grandson. Each of their children has carried forth their family dedication to service with their career choices, a fact of which Bev and Bob are especially proud. And that new grandson has even further strengthened Beverley's desire to work towards a strong future for public education.

As President, Beverley plans to continue the good work of MASC: to strengthen the connections between School Committee members and MASC through increased and targeted trainings and outreach, to be a fierce advocate for public education, to support the role of students as leaders of our schools, and to be a strong voice on Beacon Hill and Capitol Hill for our MASC Priorities on funding and educational representation on the issues directly facing our districts and members.

New Location

MASC/MASS Joint Conference November 4-6



Doubletree by Hilton Boston North Shore, Danvers

MASC DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

Friday, November 6

Resolutions Clinic: 2:00pm

Annual Meeting: 3:15pm

**Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Boston North Shore,
Danvers**

Full text of the resolutions will be printed in the upcoming Delegate Manual and will be posted online.

Register for early-bird savings online: www.masc.org

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