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Jeffrey C. Riley
Commissioner

January 31, 2020

State Ethics Commission
One Ashburton Place, Room 618
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, please find the fully executed Disclosure by Non-Elected State Employee of Financial Interest and Determination by Appointing Authority, as Required by G.L. c. 268A, §6.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah Steenland".

Deborah Steenland
Deputy General Counsel

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**DISCLOSURE BY NON-ELECTED STATE EMPLOYEE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST
AND DETERMINATION BY APPOINTING AUTHORITY
AS REQUIRED BY G. L. c. 268A, § 6**

STATE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION	
Name:	Patricia Mariano
Title or Position:	Lawrence Alliance for Education, Inc. Board Member <i>*Also elected to the Lawrence Public Schools Committee, which is currently subject to the state non-profit receiver board under M.G.L. c. 69, §1K as explained below.</i>
State Agency:	Lawrence Alliance for Education, Inc.
Agency Address:	237 Essex Street, Lawrence, MA 01840
Office Phone:	978-265-5208
Office E-mail:	patriciamariano@verizon.net
	My duties require me to participate in a particular matter, and I may not participate because of a financial interest that I am disclosing here. I request a determination from my appointing authority about how I should proceed.
PARTICULAR MATTER	
Particular matter E.g., a judicial or other proceeding, application, submission, request for a ruling or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest, decision, determination, or finding.	Under M.G.L. c. 69, §1K, the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education appointed the Lawrence Alliance for Education ("LAE"), a non-profit organization to serve as the receiver for the Lawrence Public Schools. All LAE Board members of the non-profit organization are appointed by the Commissioner and serve as volunteers. LAE Board members do not receive compensation for their service. Among other responsibilities, LAE votes annually on the budget for the Lawrence Public Schools. From time to time, LAE also votes on employment contracts. The Lawrence Public Schools Committee does not currently have responsibility for or take action on the annual budget or employment contracts.
Your required participation in the particular matter: E.g., approval, disapproval, decision, recommendation, rendering advice, investigation, other.	As one of the seven appointed board members comprising LAE, I participate in approving the annual budget, contract negotiations, and other related actions which come before me as a LAE Board member. In addition, in the past I served on the budget subcommittee and might be reappointed to serve on this subcommittee again.
FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE PARTICULAR MATTER	
Write an X by all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> I have a financial interest in the matter. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> My immediate family member has a financial interest in the matter.

	<input type="checkbox"/> My business partner has a financial interest in the matter. <input type="checkbox"/> I am an officer, director, trustee, partner or employee of a business organization, and the business organization has a financial interest in the matter. <input type="checkbox"/> I am negotiating or have made an arrangement concerning future employment with a person or organization, and the person or organization has a financial interest in the matter.
Financial interest in the matter	My son has recently applied for a custodial job in Lawrence Public Schools. I have not been involved in the hiring process in any way. However, if my son accepts the job, he will likely have a financial interest in certain votes before the LAE, including the annual budget and any votes related to the custodial services contract.
Employee signature:	<i>Patricia M. Mianian</i>
Date:	<i>1-27-2020</i>

DETERMINATION BY APPOINTING OFFICIAL

APPOINTING AUTHORITY INFORMATION	
Name of Appointing Authority	Jeffrey C. Riley
Title or Position:	Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education
Agency/Department:	Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Agency Address:	75 Pleasant Street Malden, MA 02148
Office Phone:	781-338-3100
Office E-mail	jriley@doe.mass.edu
DETERMINATION	
Determination by appointing authority:	As appointing official, as required by G.L. c. 268A, § 6, I have reviewed the particular matter and the financial interest identified above by a state employee.
Write an X by your selection.	<input type="checkbox"/> I am assigning the particular matter to another employee, or <input type="checkbox"/> I am assuming responsibility for the particular matter, or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I have determined that the financial interest is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the Commonwealth may expect from the employee.
Appointing Authority signature:	<i>Jeffrey C. Riley</i>
Date:	<i>1/31/2020</i>
Comment:	Please see attached.

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Attach additional pages if necessary.

File copy with:

State Ethics Commission, One Ashburton Place, Room 619, Boston, MA 02108

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Addendum to
Disclosure by Non-elected State Employee of Financial Interest
and Determination by Appointing Authority as Required by G.L. c. 268A, § 6.

As appointing official, as required by G.L. c. 268A, § 6, I have reviewed the particular matter and the financial interest identified above by a state employee. With respect to Ms. Mariano's participation on the Lawrence Alliance for Education (LAE) as it relates to serving on the budget subcommittee and approving the annual budget, I make the following determination:

I am assigning the particular matter to another employee, or
 I am assuming responsibility for the particular matter, or
 I have determined that the financial interest is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the Commonwealth may expect from the employee.

With respect to Ms. Mariano's participation on the LAE as it relates to any votes concerning the custodial services contract, I make the following determination:

Ms. Mariano should recuse herself and I am assigning the particular matter to another employee (i.e. the remainder of the members of the LAE board), or
 I am assuming responsibility for the particular matter, or
 I have determined that the financial interest is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the Commonwealth may expect from the employee.