AGREEMENT

between the

TOWN OF LENOX SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and the

LENOX EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

(UNIT C)

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2020
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AGREEMENT made as of this 1st day of July 2017 by and between the SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWN OF LENOX, MASSACHUSETTS (hereinafter the Committee), and the LENOX EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (hereinafter the Association).

ARTICLE 1
RECOGNITION AND JURISDICTION

The Committee recognizes the Lenox Education Association as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent of Instructional Paraprofessionals, Non-instructional Paraprofessionals, Clerical Staff and Food Service/Transportation Workers (Appendix B) employed by the Committee except (a) employees employed at the Superintendent's office, (b) part-time employees who work an average of 20 or less hours per week per fiscal year, (c) probationary employees, (d) BTEP employees, (e) students, (f) seasonal, temporary or part-time employees working fewer than 100 days in a fiscal year, and (g) substitutes.

ARTICLE 2
COMMITTEE RIGHTS AND PREROGATIVES

The Association agrees that the Committee has complete authority over the policies and the administration of the Lenox public school system, which it exercises under the provisions of law. It further agrees that the Committee will continue to retain, whether exercised or not, the responsibility and prerogative to direct in all aspects the operation of the Lenox public school system except as same shall be exercised in violation of any of the express terms and provisions of this agreement. Such authority includes, but is not limited to: the right to (a) decide the method of performing its work; (b) formulate, modify and alter work rules for the conduct of its business; (c) maintain order and enhance efficiency; (d) hire, lay off, assign, transfer and promote employees; (e) determine the starting time, quitting time, and the number of hours and days to be worked; (f) determine care, maintenance, and operation of the facilities, equipment of the Lenox public schools; (g) establish methods, procedures and requirements for the employment of employees and other personnel; (h) establish the hours of operation and use of buildings, land, apparatus and other school property; (i) prepare and submit budgets; (j) expend money for the maintenance and operation of the school system; and (k) make transfers of funds within an appropriated budget. The action of the Committee with respect to such retained authority shall not be subject to any grievance or arbitration.
ARTICLE 3
ALTERATION OR AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT

3.1 The parties acknowledge that during the negotiations which resulted in this agreement, each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining, and that the undertakings and agreements arrived at by the parties after the exercise of that right and opportunity are set forth in this agreement. Therefore, the Committee and the Association, for the life of this agreement, each voluntarily and unqualifiedly waive the right and each agrees that the other shall not be obligated to bargain collectively with respect to any subject or matter referred to or covered in this agreement, or with respect to any subject or matter not referred to specifically or not covered in this agreement, even though such subject or matter may not have been within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties at the time that they negotiated and signed this agreement.

3.2 No agreement, alteration, variation, waiver or modification of any of the terms or conditions contained herein shall be binding upon the parties hereto unless agreement is made and executed in writing between the parties to this Agreement.

3.3 If any of the parties desires to make any proposal to modify or alter the terms of this agreement, then that party may submit such proposal, in writing, to the other parties and request a meeting. Within ten (10) days of the submission of such proposal, the recipient thereof shall acknowledge the receipt of the proposal and indicate whether or not it wishes to have a meeting to discuss the proposal. The agreement by any party to meet to discuss a proposal shall not be interpreted as an agreement to enter into collective bargaining about the proposal unless and until any agreement is reduced to writing and signed by all necessary and appropriate parties.

ARTICLE 4
UNIT REPRESENTATIVES

The Association shall deliver to the Superintendent a written list of the unit representatives, all of whom shall be employees of the Committee and within the bargaining group, immediately after their designation and the Association shall notify the Committee of any changes.

ARTICLE 5
DUES AND AGENCY FEE

5.1 The Committee agrees that upon the receipt of written authorization in the form set forth below, the Committee will deduct Association dues monthly in the amount specified in such authorization, and transmit same to the Lenox Education Association provided the amount to be deducted is the same for all employees. Such authorization shall be revocable on 60 days written notice to the Committee.
CHECK-OFF AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Lenox School Committee to deduct monthly from his/her wages the sum of $______, representing his/her Association dues, and to pay over said sums so deducted periodically to the Lenox Education Association.

I understand that the Lenox School Committee will discontinue such deductions 60 days after written notice to the Lenox School Committee. I hereby waive all right and claim for said monies so deducted and transmitted in accordance with this authorization and relieve the Lenox School Committee and all its officers and employees from any liability therefor.

Date

__________________________
Employee’s Signature
AGENCY FEE

5.2 Effective Thirty (30) days after the first day of the 2004-2005 school year in accordance with M.G. 150E, Section 12 each employee identified in the recognitions clause of this contract will be required to pay either membership dues or an agency fee, except that an employee who on the date of the execution of this agreement is not a member of the Association shall not be required to pay an agency fee to the Association. An employee who is a member of the Association and shall be required in accordance with M.G. L. Chapter 150 E, Section 12 to pay the agency fee to the Association.

A. An employee who is a member of the Association on the date of the execution of this agreement may cease membership in the Association and shall be required in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 150E, Section 12 to pay the agency fee to the Association.

B. Notwithstanding Section 1 above, employees covered by this Agreement shall upon the operative date of this section have the following options: (a) payment of annual dues by authorized dues deduction; or (b) payment of agency fee by authorized dues deduction.

C. The Association will be solely responsible for enforcing the provisions of this section. The Committee will not be responsible for enforcing any provision of this section. Neither the Committee nor any member of the Administration will be required to take any action to compel an employee to pay to the Association the Agency Fee nor shall any employee be disciplined or discharged as a result of his/her failure to make any payment provided for in this Article.

D. The Association will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Committee against any and all claims, actions or lawsuits of any kind or description, whether at law or in equity, and whether based on statute, constitution of common law, made or instituted against the Committee or its agents, employees or administrators, resulting from this section. Specifically, the Association will have no right of action, by way of contribution, counterclaim or other basis against the Committee. Should any administrative agency or court of competent jurisdiction find the Committee liable for any damages as a result of this section, the Association will pay any and all of those damages, including interest and charges.

E. If any court of competent jurisdiction determines that any part of the Article 24 Section F is unconstitutional, in violation of statute, or otherwise enforceable, all of the other parts of this section will be null and void.

F. The service fee shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 150E, Section 12, and applicable state and federal constitutional law shall not exceed the periodic dues required to be paid by employees to remain members in good standing with the Association.
ARTICLE 6
SALARIES

6.1 The beginning wage for each new Unit C employee covered by this Agreement shall be determined utilizing the wage formula set forth in Appendix A. An employee shall receive the negotiated wage increase on July 1 of each calendar year. New employees shall be considered eligible for the negotiated wage increase if hired prior to January 1 of the previous school year.

6.2 If an employee whose job description does not ordinarily require the monitoring of classes on a regular basis and is assigned to monitor in the classroom for a teacher or teachers who are absent from work, such employee shall be paid, in addition to their regular daily rate according to the following scale:

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*The additional compensation rates shall only apply to times when the employee is monitoring classes and is in direct contact with students.
The employee will be expected to maintain district attendance and behavioral policies and to follow any guidelines provided by the teacher during the time the employee is monitoring the classroom.

6.3 Employees covered by this agreement shall be paid overtime at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times such employee's regular straight hourly rate of pay for work assigned by the Superintendent in writing in excess of 40 hours in one work week.

6.4 An employee assigned to perform specific, extraordinary duties as provided in a student's Individual Education Plan shall be paid an additional 5% of their regular hourly rate for the time worked in providing such extraordinary services. These duties could include, but not be limited to, toileting and diapering, lifting to assist a student in and out of a wheelchair, and feeding where specialized training is required to prevent choking because of a swallowing disability and such other extraordinary duties as may be identified by the Superintendent or his/her designee. If a situation occurs when the Superintendent or his/her designee is
required to identify such extraordinary duties that are not contained in a student’s IEP then the Superintendent will notify the Association. The Superintendent may proceed to implement such duties provided that such implementation meets the conditions of new and extraordinary duties. Every reasonable effort will be made by the administration to insure that two adults are present when a student requires toileting or diapering assistance.

6.5 Unit C employees whose job title is classified in the ‘instructional’ or ‘clerical’ column in Appendix B of this agreement will be compensated at the ‘AS’ rate (Appendix A, Section 1) if they hold an associate’s degree or higher at the time of hire or when the Employee earns an associate’s or higher degree during the course of employment. Employees seeking movement to the ‘AS’ pay level during the course of a school year may be asked to submit a transcript showing satisfactory completion of the degree.

6.6 Existing Unit C employees who make a higher rate of pay than in Appendix A, Section 1, shall at no time be reduced in their level of compensation. Any increases for existing Unit C staff who have surpassed the current level shall be fixed by contract as described in Appendix A, Section 2.

ARTICLE 7
HOURS, CONDITIONS AND DUTIES

7.1 The work year of the paraprofessional, except those with extended contracts, will not exceed one hundred eighty-three (183) days during any one school year. The work year shall include the two work days immediately preceding the first day that pupils begin a new school year, and the district-designated professional development day when students are not in attendance, and any other days on which attendance, in the opinion of the Superintendent is desirable. If any paraprofessional is required to work additional days, he/she shall be notified in a timely fashion and shall be compensated at his/her hourly wage.

Of the one hundred and eighty-three days, two days shall be immediately before school begins and one additional day shall be scheduled for professional development. Paraprofessionals shall be consulted (by committee if they so designate) regarding the professional development for the one day that they attend.

Fulltime paraprofessionals shall work full days when students are dismissed for a half day for the purpose of faculty and staff professional development.

7.2 An employee’s regular daily scheduled hours and work days shall from time to time be established and revised by the Superintendent or his/her designee. After implementation thereof and upon written demand to bargain given by the Association to the School Committee within those 30 days immediately following implementation the parties shall meet and bargain any mandatorily bargainable matters.

7.3 Prior to the last day of the school year, the administration shall notify each member of the unit as to his or her employment for the upcoming school year. The Superintendent or his/her designee, may change the employment status of a unit member prior to August 1 for any unanticipated exigency that may occur and will provide the unit member with the
reason for that change. After August 1 a change in employment status shall be covered by section 5 of this article.

7.4 Any reasonable request by the Administration to one or more employees to work more than regularly scheduled hours or regularly scheduled work days shall not be refused.

7.5 The Association and each employee recognize the authority and responsibility of the administration to discipline, reprimand, suspend and dismiss an employee for just cause. The presence or absence of just cause shall be subject to grievance and arbitration as provided in Article 23. An employee who receives a written notice of layoff shall be deemed to be laid off and not disciplined, reprimanded, suspended or dismissed.

7.6 An employee who has worked less than 91 working days from his or her most recent date of hire is a probationary employee and whose employment may be terminated with or without cause by written notice to the employee and such termination of employment shall be final and conclusive in all respects and not subject to the provisions of Article 23.

7.7 An employee may be laid off upon fourteen (14) days notice. An employee may grieve the action of the Superintendent relative to said layoff and the decision of the school committee shall be final and conclusive in all respects and not subject to the provisions of Article 23.

7.8 At the request of an employee and with the written approval of the Principal, the employee’s work hours may be altered to permit work to commence up to one hour earlier and end up to one hour earlier during the period beginning two weeks after the close of school in June and ending two weeks before the start of school in the fall.

7.9 The Committee may elect to create and have filled a job sharing position provided (a) one job in the job sharing position is at least .5 FTE, and (b) the job sharing position is used to fill a new position or a vacant position and not to lay off an employee.

ARTICLE 8
CHANGES OF ASSIGNMENT

Whenever the Superintendent or his designee deems it advisable to change the work assignment (including building change) of one or more employees, he/she will provide the notification of change to the employee or employees involved fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the change. At the time of notification, the Superintendent shall indicate whether the change of assignment is permanent or temporary. If the assignment is deemed temporary, the unit member shall have the option of returning to his/her assignment held before said change of assignment. Whenever an assignment is in a category that pays a higher rate, the unit member shall be paid at that rate. In cases of emergency, reasonable notice will be provided. If any one or more of the involved employees wishes to discuss such change of work assignment with the Superintendent or his designee prior to the effective date of the change of work assignment, the employee shall request a conference within five (5) days of the receipt of the notice of change of work assignment. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall confer with the employee within five days of receipt of such request and consider the employee’s comments. The decision of the Superintendent or his/her designee shall be conclusive with respect to all matters coming within the purview of this article and not subject to grievance or arbitration.
ARTICLE 9
VACANCIES AND PROMOTIONS

9.1 Whenever, after all assignments have been made, there is or occurs a vacancy in a unit position, the Superintendent or his/her designee shall, as soon as practicable, so advise the Association by posting a notice in a conspicuous place in each school building. Such notice shall briefly describe the position involved, the date that the position is expected to be filled and the time within which current employees must apply for the position. Such notice shall be posted for five (5) calendar days, and copies shall be forwarded to the President of the Association.

9.2 Applications for such position shall be accepted from personnel within and outside the Lenox Public Schools. The Superintendent or Principal, as the case may be (appointing official), in filling the position shall consider the background, skills and experience of each applicant together with such other factors as it shall deem to be relevant. If, in the judgment of the appointing official, the background, skill and experience of applicants deemed by it to be most qualified are substantially equal, it will give preference to an applicant then currently employed by the Lenox Public Schools unless, in the opinion of the appointing official consideration of such other factors as he/she deems to be relevant causes him/her to conclude that the grant of such preference is not in the best interests of the Lenox Public Schools.

9.3 The Committee may create different position(s) for work to be done by employees and may make changes in job descriptions and positions and may eliminate positions. As needed, the Superintendent and LEA leadership agree to work on new and revised job descriptions for Unit C employees. The new job descriptions will be compliant with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). The Committee shall establish a temporary wage rate for each such position. Thereafter, the School Committee shall notify the Association of each position, the duties to be performed (which may include duties performed under one or more existing positions), the number of positions established and the temporary wage rate to be paid for each such position and may proceed to fill such positions, provided always, that after implementation and upon written demand from the Association, the Committee shall meet and bargain a final wage rate for such positions.

9.4 The Association and Committee agree that the Committee has the sole right to create and eliminate positions and to determine which and how many positions shall be eliminated. When in the discretion of the Committee, it elects to reduce the number of Unit C employees such reduction shall be exercised in reverse order of seniority. However, if in the opinion of the administration, a reduction by seniority is not in the best interest of the school district, the administration may reduce the number of employees in a category based upon the skills, knowledge and qualifications needed to fulfill the requirements of the position. Such decision by the administration shall not be grieved by the employee beyond level three (School Committee).

Unit members shall accrue seniority determined by length of continuous service in the Lenox Public Schools. Length of service will be determined from the first and actual day of permanent employment within the district. Any leave granted, pursuant to this agreement, shall not be considered a break in service. Any paraprofessional who is laid
Improvement Plan (IP)

If, at the end of the one- or two-year cycle, the evaluation rates the Employee as unsatisfactory, then improvement of that rating must be one of the goals in the next cycle.

10.4 The supervisor or administrator will conduct at least two informal observations during the school year and one formal observation (prior to March 1) during the evaluation cycle of the Employee (one- or two-year). The evaluator shall consult with others who work with or supervise the Employee as part of the evaluation process.

10.5 The Principal or Superintendent may at any time place an employee on a One Year Improvement Plan (IP)-if the Principal or Superintendent believes the work of the Employee needs improvement. The IP shall set forth the improvement expected in order to become eligible for reappointment. If an employee achieves the improvement expected, the Employee shall be notified in writing and be removed from the IP.
The Employee may not be reappointed or his or her employment may be terminated by the Principal or director of student services with the approval of the Superintendent at any time after the Employee has been on an IP for (90 days) if in the opinion of the Principal, director, or Superintendent, the Employee has not or is not likely to achieve the improvement expected within 12 calendar months.

10.6 Two copies of the final evaluation form shall be prepared. One shall be placed in the personnel file and one shall be given to the Employee.

10.7 Anytime within two weeks of receipt of the written final evaluation, the Employee shall have the opportunity to make written comments regarding the evaluation. Said Employee’s written comments shall be attached to the final evaluation form.

10.8 A final evaluation is to be signed by the Employee. The signature indicates that the Employee has seen and read the evaluation before it is placed in the personnel file and does not imply agreement with the contents.

10.9 Failure of the Employee to sign the evaluation report within five school days of being requested to do so may be noted on the evaluation report by a statement signed by the evaluator making the request and the evaluation report with the evaluator’s signed statement shall be filed in the Employee’s personnel file.

10.10 Compliance with the procedural provisions of the Article 10, but not the substantive decisions including but not limited to decisions as to the information considered in reaching any opinion made under Article 10 shall be subject to Article 23 (Grievance Procedures).

ARTICLE 11
MEDICAL LEAVE

11.1 Definitions:

Medical Leave includes:

Employee: An employee that works at least 20 hours per week and at least 100 work days per year shall be entitled to Medical Leave under this article.

Personal Medical Leave: shall be defined as leave used when the Employee has a personal illness, injury or disability.

Immediate Family Medical Leave: shall be defined as leave used for rendering necessary care or comfort to an ill member of the Employee’s immediate family or a person living within the Employee’s household.

Immediate Family: shall be defined as spouse, child or parent or a person living within the Employee’s household.

11.2 An employee shall be credited with seventeen (17) days of paid medical leave during each work year of employment which can be used for either personal medical leave or for rendering necessary care or comfort to an ill member of the Employee’s immediate
family or a person living within the Employee’s household. Part-time employees (under 20 hours) shall be eligible for medical leave on a prorated basis.

11.3 No more than twelve (12) Medical Leave days may be carried over each year. Such carried over medical leave may be accumulated without limit while continuously employed within the district.

11.4 An employee may use any of his/her accumulated Medical Leave for personal medical leave.

11.5 An employee shall be allowed to use up to a total of twenty (20) days for the necessary care and comfort of immediate family members in each school year, if adequate days have been accrued by the individual employee.

11.6 Medical leave and/or accumulated medical leave may be used for the purposes of illness only, unless otherwise specified in this Article.

11.7 In the event of the absence of an employee because of illness for more than five (5) consecutive days or the development of a pattern of absences in any work year, the Employee shall, upon request of the Superintendent or his/her designee, submit to the Superintendent a certificate of a duly practicing physician substantiating such illness, or the Employee may be required to comply with the documentation requirements in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act of 1993.

11.8 If a quarantine is established by the local Department of Public Health because of exposure to a contagious disease during performance of professional responsibilities, then any absence due to quarantine periods shall be paid for in full and shall not apply against the credit of medical leave. In all such cases the Department of Public Health or its designated agent, such as the school nurse, must submit the notice of quarantine to the Superintendent to include the beginning and closing of the quarantine period.

ARTICLE 12
TEMPORARY LEAVES OF ABSENCE

An employee shall be granted temporary leaves of absence without loss of pay for the following reasons and upon the terms and conditions set forth: Normally, a temporary leave request form for absence, must be submitted to the Principal at least 24-hours in advance. If advance notice is impossible, the Employee shall submit a temporary leave request form upon return:

12.1 Bereavement Leave: For bereavement purposes in the event of a death in the immediate family of the Employee, or a person living within the Employee’s household, a period not in excess of five (5) school days. Any one or more said days may be used to attend the internment and related services. In the event of a death outside the immediate family, leave may, but need not be granted, at the discretion of the Superintendent. The aforementioned leave need not be taken consecutively but is to be used within thirty (30) days immediately following the date of death except where internment is delayed. Under unique circumstances, the Superintendent may but need not approve the extension of the taking of bereavement days beyond the thirty (30) day period.
12.2 **Jury Duty:** Employees who are required to perform jury duty which occurs during their regularly scheduled work day shall receive that portion of their regular salary which, together with compensation for jury duty, equals the normal salary for that period of time. The Employee shall be expected to report for duty during his/her normal work hours when he is not actually performing jury duty or commuting thereto.

12.3 **Personal Days:** For reasons personal to the Employee which cannot be performed outside of the "work day." Said leave shall not cumulatively exceed three (3) days in any one work year and shall not be used as additional vacation, extension of holidays, or as time off for the convenience of an employee when other arrangements may be made. Employees may but need not provide reasons for leave taken under this Section but shall abide by the standard outlined. Unused personal days at the end of each fiscal year shall be added to accumulated medical leave under Article 11 hereof to be used for the purposes of illness only as provided in Article 11.6, and may not be used for personal or other non-illness leave. The Association and Committee shall work cooperatively to achieve a better understanding by employees of what is and is not permitted under this Section. The Committee or designee gives up its right to challenge an individual employee’s use of leave under this Section unless the day(s) requested precedes or follows a vacation or occur at the beginning or end of the school year. Patterns of absences may be brought to either party’s attention at any time.

12.4 The Superintendent may grant an unpaid temporary leave of absence to an employee who has been employed by the Committee for at least three consecutive months, and is a full-time employee. The Employee shall be granted, upon request, a leave for the purpose of giving birth. The Employee must intend to return to work at the conclusion of the leave of absence. The Employee shall notify the Superintendent and building Principal in writing at least 45 school days prior to the probable date said leave is to commence or as soon as is practical. The length and conditions of the leave will comply with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 or any other applicable federal and state laws.

12.5 The Superintendent may grant an unpaid temporary leave of absence to an employee for the purpose of adoption, foster placement and for rearing of a newly adopted or newly placed foster child seven (7) years old or younger or, in the case of a physically or mentally disabled child, 22 years old or younger. The said leave shall be without pay except that the Employee may utilize accumulated sick leave days during the leave granted hereunder. No provision of this section shall be deemed to be in conflict with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 or any other applicable federal or state laws.

12.6 **Superintendent Discretionary Leave:** The Superintendent or his/her designee may, but need not, upon Employee’s written request, grant temporary leaves of absence of short duration for such reasons as the Superintendent or his/her designee deems appropriate without pay and upon such other terms and conditions as the Superintendent or his/her designee may determine and the grant, denial and imposition of terms and conditions by the Superintendent with respect to such leave shall be conclusive and shall not be subject to grievance or arbitration.
12.7 **Statutory Leave**


2. Up to fifteen (15) days of Domestic Violence Leave will be granted to eligible employees in accordance with M.G.L. c. 149, s. 52E and applicable District policy. This leave is unpaid except that an employee may use up to fifteen (15) days of paid leave consistent with the definition of family contained in Article IX, Medical Leave.

12.8 **Religious Leave:** An employee shall be granted leave for part of or all of a day for the purpose of religious observance. Religious leave in excess of three days in a fiscal year shall be granted at the discretion of Superintendent.

**ARTICLE 13**

**INJURY IN THE COURSE OF EMPLOYMENT**

13.1 If an employee, because of injury sustained in the course of and arising out of employee's employment by the Committee, is receiving benefits under Section 34 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Workmen's Compensation Act), the Committee shall, if the Employee so elects, pay to such Employee each pay period so long as such Employee is receiving benefits under said Section 34, an amount equal to the difference between the Employee's salary at the time of such injury and amount of weekly indemnity being received by the Employee. The total amount payable under this article because of any one injury shall not exceed an amount obtained by multiplying the number of such Employee's accumulated medical leave days by such Employee's per diem rate. (Total amount payable = number of employee's accumulated sick days x employee's per diem rate.) The number of accumulated medical leave days available to the Employee shall be reduced by an amount equal to the total sum paid to employee under this article divided by the employee's per diem rate. (Number that accumulated sick days is to be reduced by = total sum paid to employee divided by employee's per diem rate.)

13.2 If the illness or injury of an employee comes within the purview of both this article and Article 11 "Medical Leave," it shall be deemed to come within the purview of this article, and such employee shall not be paid any benefits pursuant to Article 11 for such illness or injury except as is provided in the preceding paragraph.

**ARTICLE 14**

**INSURANCE**

14.1 The Committee will pay 75% of the cost for individual or family coverage, as the case may be, for the HMO plan selected by the Town, with such benefits and through such organizations as may from time to time be selected by the Town of Lenox. This benefit shall be available to employees who work 20 or more hours per week and at least 700 hours per year.
14.2 For coverage under the Town’s POS or PPO plans (or any future plan where the monthly cost to the Town is more than the monthly cost for the HMO plan selected by the Town), the Committee will pay a dollar amount equal to 75% of the individual or family coverage, whichever is applicable, of the HMO plan as the Town of Lenox shall from time to time select; provided, however, that in no case shall the Committee pay less than 50% of the cost of individual or family coverage, as the case may be. This benefit shall be available to employees who work 20 or more hours per week and at least 700 hours per year.

14.3 The Association waives all rights to bargain over any and all changes in the movement of prescription drugs from one tier to another.

14.4 For the 2017-2018 work year, The Town Manager will negotiate a mitigation plan with all bargaining units per M.G.L. Chapter 32B, Sections 21-23. This mitigation plan will address allocation of town savings following a plan design change for health insurance, in accordance with state law.

14.5 The Committee and participating LEA members will share the administrative costs of a Flexible Spending Account program. The Committee will assume 80% and participating members will assume 20% of said costs.

14.6 The Committee shall continue to offer a dental insurance plan for employees who work 20 or more hours per week and at least 700 hours per year. The cost of dental insurance shall be borne by the Employee.

14.7 At least once each year, the Committee shall provide employees with an open enrollment period during which each employee may select from the plans offered under paragraphs 14.1 – 14.2 above. During such open enrollment, the Town or Committee shall provide written notice of the plans to be offered during the following fiscal year and the expected cost for each of the plans for the coming fiscal year.

14.8 The Committee shall continue to offer a 403(b) plan to all employees, funded entirely by deductions from employee salaries.

14.9 The employees will be eligible to participate in a group life insurance plan. A $5,000 life insurance policy is available, 75% of the premium cost of which is borne by the Town of Lenox unless modified in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32B.

14.10 The Committee will continue to contribute to the existing group disability insurance program established by the MTA for eligible employees within its employ who work 20 or more hours per week (700 hours per year) and will pay the premiums for each participating paraprofessional to a maximum of $4.29 per month provided each participating paraprofessional authorizes payment of the balance of the premium, if any, through payroll deduction.
ARTICLE 15
RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE

After the Employee has worked in the Lenox Public Schools for a period of ten (10) years and is 55 years of age, such Employee shall be paid a retirement allowance to be determined in the following manner:

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<th>Days Accumulated Medical Leave</th>
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<td>0-100</td>
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<td>101+ (no maximum accumulation)</td>
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In order to receive the aforementioned retirement allowance, an employee must: (a) have completed his or her work assignment for the school year immediately preceding the date of retirement, (b) have worked an average of at least 900 hours per work year during the immediately preceding three work years (c) have provided the Committee written notice of intent to retire at least 90 calendar days in advance of the retirement date. An employee who gives six (6) months’ notice of intent to retire shall receive, in addition to the sum paid for accumulated sick leave, the sum of one thousand ($1000) dollars. An employee may request that the limitations of sections (a), (b), and/or (c) of Article 15 be waived. The Superintendent will consider such an employee’s request and render a decision. The Employee may appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the School Committee. The decision of the School Committee shall be final and shall not be subject to grievance or arbitration.

ARTICLE 16
VACATION and HOLIDAY PLANS

16.1 Employees shall be entitled to paid vacation time and for given holidays each fiscal year in accordance with the following chart:

16.2 Definitions –
  a. Year-round Employee – works 52 weeks
  b. School year plus Employee – works 44 weeks but fewer than 52 weeks
  c. School year Employee – works 170 days up to 44 weeks
  d. A year of service is a 12-month period measured from the day the Employee first worked 44 or more weeks per year.
  e. Years of service - the number of years of continuous employment working 44 or more weeks per year measured from the day the Employee first worked 44 or more weeks per year.
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<th>REGULARLY SCHEDULED WORK YEAR</th>
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<td><strong>YEARS OF SERVICE</strong></td>
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<td>After one year and through and including four years of continuous service</td>
<td>1 week (Christmas vacation) + Columbus Day</td>
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<td>After four years through and including nine years of continuous service</td>
<td>2 weeks (Christmas and February vacations) + Columbus Day and MLK Day</td>
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<td>After nine or more years of continuous service</td>
<td>3 weeks (Christmas, February, and April vacations) + Columbus Day, MLK Day, and Memorial Day</td>
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16.3 Vacation/holiday time does not accrue from year to year, and must be used within the 12 months that such "vacation time" becomes available to an employee. For employees whose work year exceeds 44 weeks the Superintendent or his designee will request each employee to indicate his/her preference for vacation times. Insofar as feasible, vacation requests will be honored, but the Superintendent shall have final authority to determine when vacations may be taken. Generally, vacations will not be granted for days with students in attendance.

16.4 Any employee who leaves employment will be paid for unused "vacation time."
HOLIDAYS

16.5 All employees will be paid holiday time for the day after Thanksgiving. Such pay shall be equal to such employee's regular day's pay at straight time rates. In addition, an employee whose regularly scheduled work year is 52 weeks per fiscal year shall be paid "holiday time" subject to those provisions hereinafter set forth, for the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King Day
- Presidents' Day
- Patriots Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Columbus Day
- Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

16.6 An employee whose regularly scheduled work year is 44 weeks per fiscal year but less than 52 weeks per fiscal year shall be paid "holiday time" for such of the above-named holidays as fall within such employee's regularly scheduled work year.

16.7 An employee shall, subject to the provisions set forth in this subsection, receive as holiday pay a sum equal to such Employee's regular day's pay at straight time rates. Such pay shall be in addition to all other compensation due to the Employee for hours actually worked on such holiday if the Employee shall be required to work on a holiday.

16.8 Vacation/holiday pay shall not be paid to an employee who has not worked his/her entire last regularly scheduled work day preceding the holiday involved and his/her first regularly scheduled work day subsequent to said holiday. An employee shall, for purposes of this subsection, be deemed to have worked the last regularly scheduled work day preceding the applicable school vacation period or given holiday and the first regularly scheduled work day subsequent to said school vacation period or given and holiday if his/her absence from work on said days is excused by the Superintendent or for leave granted under the terms of this agreement except for personal day leave under paragraph 16.3. An employee whose regularly scheduled work year is 44 weeks per fiscal year but less than 52 weeks per fiscal year shall be paid "holiday time" for such of the above-named holidays as fall within such Employee's regularly scheduled work year.

16.9 For the purposes of paragraph 16.10, years of service are the number of years of continuous employment. After one year of continuous service, a unit member is entitled to the next vacation period following his/her anniversary date. An employee's service shall be deemed to be interrupted if the Employee works fewer than 170 days in a given September 1 through August 31, provided always that authorized leaves shall not interrupt continuous service.

16.10 Vacation/holiday pay will be calculated as follows: employee's regular straight hourly rate x number of hours in the Employee's regular work week.

ARTICLE 17
CONTRACTING OF WORK

No provision hereinafter set forth shall preclude the Committee from having work of any nature performed by employees within this unit be done in whole or in part by employees who are not members of this unit or by persons who are not employees of this Committee. If contracted work may result in the reduction of Unit positions, the Committee shall, at the earliest possible
date but no later than 14 days prior, provide notice to the affected employee(s) and the LEA President. The Committee shall meet all bargaining obligations under M.G.L. 150E. The Committee shall allow the affected Employee to transfer to a vacant position for which the Employee is qualified. If no vacant positions exist, the Committee shall execute any reduction in Unit C employees per the provisions of Article 9.4.

ARTICLE 18
MISCELLANEOUS

18.1 The Committee agrees that employees covered hereunder shall be supplied with a printed copy of this agreement.

18.2 The Committee shall reimburse employees for use of their own vehicle at the standard mileage rate provided for under the Internal Revenue Service Rev. Proc. 88-52 as amended on September 1. Reimbursement shall only be approved for such trips taken at the direction of the Superintendent of Schools or his designee.

18.3 The Association agrees that no employee employed by the Committee shall, during the course of his employment by the Committee, participate in any strike, slowdown, walkout, sit-in or similar activity disruptive of the conduct of the affairs of the Committee or of the educational process of the Committee.

18.4 An employee whose regularly scheduled work day is six or more hours shall be entitled to an unpaid, duty-free lunch period of 30 minutes. Such employee may not be required to forego his or her 30-minute lunch period, but may voluntarily waive the same, which waiver shall be in writing if requested by the Superintendent or Principal. Any employee who works at the request of the Principal or the Employee’s immediate supervisor during such Employee’s unpaid lunch period shall be paid for such time worked at the Employee’s regular rate of pay. In addition to an unpaid, duty-free lunch period, an employee, who works a minimum of four hours per day, shall have a paid 15-minute break that shall not be taken at the end of the work day.

18.5 The Lenox Education Association (Unit C) and the Lenox School Committee agree to the establishment of a joint labor-management committee for the purpose of enhancing communication between the members of Unit C and the district, employees and supervisors, and to provide all parties with an ongoing forum to discuss, but not collectively bargain, the work practice of the district during the term of the collective bargaining agreement and other matters of concern to the parties. In addition to planned meeting either party may request a meeting to discuss issues and concerns.

ARTICLE 19
PERSONNEL FILES

19.1 Each employee will have the right, upon request, to review the contents of his/her personnel file, by appointment, excluding personal and confidential recommendations. An employee will be entitled to have a representative of the Association accompany him/her during such a review and the Superintendent or his/her designee may be present if he/she so desires.
19.2 No material other than (a) personal and confidential recommendations, (b) material not derogatory to an employee's conduct, service, character or personality, and (c) material of a routine financial nature shall be placed in an employee's personnel file unless a copy is delivered to the Employee. If requested, an employee must affix his/her signature to the copy of the material to be filed. The Employee's signature to the copy only signifies that the Employee has reviewed the material and has been given a copy. Failure of the Employee to so sign when requested may be noted on the material by a statement signed by the administrator making such request. An employee may submit a written response to any material that is placed in his/her personnel file and his/her response shall be reviewed by the Superintendent and placed in the Employee's personal file.

ARTICLE 20
SUMMER POSITIONS

A summer position may but need not be offered to one or more employees. An employee who is offered a position must accept within five calendar days and shall be paid at the Employee's regular hourly rate of compensation or the rate of compensation provided for in any grant received to fund such positions. A summer position shall be posted by placing a notice on the school bulletin board in every school and during the months of July and August a copy shall be given to the President of the Association, provided always that a summer position which the Superintendent deems to be a continuation of or a part of a school year program and a summer position which is being filled by the person last holding the position need not be posted.

ARTICLE 21
EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT

Committee shall reimburse an employee in an amount not to exceed $400.00 per fiscal year for those reasonable expenses incurred by an employee for tuition in attending in-service courses, courses at accredited colleges and professional training schools provided that: (a) such attendance has been with prior approval of the Superintendent; (b) the Employee shall have, in the opinion of the Superintendent, satisfactorily completed such course or courses or shall have attained a grade not lower than "B" or its equivalent; (c) the Employee has submitted evidence of payment. The Committee shall set aside $1600.00 for unit reimbursement under the provisions of this article. Employees must request such reimbursements in writing and submit documentation satisfactory to the Superintendent or his/her designee as to the amount reimbursable. Such reimbursements shall be paid in the order of request from available funds.

ARTICLE 22
LONGEVITY PAYMENT

A longevity payment shall be paid to eligible employees according to the following terms and conditions:

1. To be eligible, an employee must have completed as of the first day of a given "work year" fifteen (15) "work years" of service in the Lenox Public Schools.
2. For the purpose of establishing "work years of service" in paragraph 1 above, the years of service need not be consecutive. In order to count as a "work year of service" an employee must have worked on at least 75% of the regularly scheduled "work days" for the particular position during the particular "work year."

3. The longevity payment, payable to each eligible employee in a given pay period, shall be determined by multiplying the appropriate hourly rate set forth below by the number of hours the Employee is to be paid for that particular pay period.

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<td>21st year and beyond</td>
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ARTICLE 23
GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION

23.1 A "grievance" is a dispute concerning the interpretation or application of this agreement or any amendment or supplement thereto.

23.2 All time limits herein shall consist of consecutive calendar days exclusive of holidays, as defined in section 16.5, Saturdays, and Sundays. The time limits provided herein shall be the maximum unless extended by written agreement of the Association and Committee.

23.3 A grievance shall be deemed to be waived if it shall not have been presented at Level 1 or pursued by the grievant within those time limits hereinafter set forth.

23.4 **Level 1**: An employee desiring to present a grievance must, within fifteen (15) days immediately after the first day of the occurrence of those acts or omissions upon which the grievance is premised, present the grievance in writing to his/her Principal. In the event that the Employee is not directly responsible to an individual Principal, then such Employee shall present the grievance in writing to his/her immediate administrative supervisor. The Principal or immediate administrative supervisor shall respond in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days after the day of presentation (the reply deadline). Failure to so respond in writing within the fifteen (15) days shall be a denial of the grievance.

**Level 2**: If the Employee wishes to further pursue the grievance, the Employee must present the grievance in writing to the Superintendent within fifteen (15) calendar days following the date that the response at Level 1 was submitted to the grievant or if no written reply, the reply deadline. The Superintendent shall respond to the grievance in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days of the presentation of the grievance (the reply deadline). Failure to so respond within fifteen (15) days shall be a denial of the grievance.
**Level 3:** If the Employee wishes to further pursue the grievance, the Employee must present the grievance in writing to the Committee within those fifteen (15) calendar days following the date that the response at Level 2 was submitted to the grievant or if no written reply, the reply deadline. The Committee shall respond to the grievance in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the presentation of the grievance (the reply deadline). Failure to so respond within thirty (30) days shall be considered to be a denial of the grievance.

**Level 4:** The Association may, but need not, submit the grievance to binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association. The submission of a claim for arbitration must be filed with the American Arbitration Association within thirty (30) days immediately following the date of the School Committee’s response or if no written reply, the reply deadline. The Association shall promptly notify the Superintendent of the filing of a claim for arbitration by delivering a copy of the claim.

23.5 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, an employee may pursue a grievance through Level 3 and have such a grievance heard without intervention by the exclusive representative of the Employee organization representing said Employee, provided that the exclusive representative is afforded the opportunity to be present at all proceedings and that any adjustment made shall not be inconsistent with the terms of this agreement.

23.6 The following general provisions shall pertain to arbitration:

1. A single arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with the Voluntary Labor Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association and the parties shall be bound by the rules and procedures of the American Arbitration Association unless contrary to the express provisions herein set forth.

2. The cost of the services of the arbitrator, including per diem expenses, if any, and actual and necessary travel and subsistence expenses, shall be borne equally by the Committee and the Association.

3. The arbitrator will confer with representatives of the Committee and the Association and hold hearings and will issue his decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of testimony and argument. The arbitrator’s decision will be in writing and will set forth his findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions on issues submitted. The decision of the arbitrator, other than the arbitrability of the issues involved, shall be final and binding upon the parties except that the arbitrator shall make no decision which alters, amends, adds to or detracts from this agreement, or which recommends a right or relief for any period of time prior to the effective date of this agreement, or which modifies or abridges the rights and prerogatives of the Committee as set forth in this agreement or as set forth in any provision of law or which is contrary to any provision of law.

4. The submission of any grievance to arbitration shall constitute a waiver of all other rights and remedies which the said grievant and Association may have with respect to the matter submitted to said arbitration unless the court shall determine that the matter submitted was not arbitrable.
5. The submission of any grievable matter to any judicial or administrative proceedings shall constitute a waiver of all rights and remedies to grieve and arbitrate with respect to the matter submitted.

6. An employee having a grievable matter is encouraged to seek an informal resolution prior to filing a grievance. Such efforts shall not extend the time within which to file a grievance but such time limit may be extended by mutual agreement in writing.

23.7 No reprisals of any kind will be taken by the Committee or its agents against any employee or the Association because of their participation in this grievance procedure or by the Association or any employee against the Committee, its members, the Superintendent of Schools or other employees of the Committee. All documents, communications and records dealing with the processing of the grievance shall be filed separately from the personnel files of the participants.

ARTICLE 24
DURATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement shall be effective July 1, 2017 and remain in full force and effect through June 30, 2020

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

LENOX SCHOOL COMMITTEE

By: __________________________
Robert H. Vaughan
Chairman

LENOX EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

By: __________________________
LEA Representative
APPENDIX A, SECTION 1

Hourly rates of pay for Unit C employees

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APPENDIX A, SECTION 2

Unit C employees who have surpassed the hourly rates as listed above in Appendix A, Section 1, shall receive increases in their hourly rate at the following percentages:

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## APPENDIX B

Categories of employees.

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<td>LMMHS Principal’s Secretary</td>
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<td>Elem. Library Para</td>
<td>Morris Principal’s Secretary</td>
<td>Van Driver</td>
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<td>Title I Interventionist</td>
<td>Director of SS Secretary</td>
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Goal Setting: In a discussion with supervisor, staff member is asked to identify a personal goal for improvement related to job competencies. By October 15, please use the space below to a.) clearly identify what you’d like to improve and b.) why you chose this goal. Attainment of goals will be discussed with the supervisor at the end of the year but will not impact the assignment of performance ratings on the evaluation form.

Goal Progress Feedback: To be completed by evaluator at end of evaluation cycle.
Supervisors base their assessments on a minimum of two informal observations of the Unit C member’s work and by feedback received from those who work for or also supervise the individual. Additionally, at least once annually prior to March 1, the supervisor conducts one formal observation of the Unit C staff member at work and shortly after provides feedback in written form. The feedback from both the informal and formal observations will be a significant part of the information used to complete the evaluation form at the end of the year.

1. The employee relates appropriately to students, being sensitive while encouraging positive behavior.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

2. The employee works cooperatively with others.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

3. The employee handles assigned responsibilities punctually and effectively.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

4. The employee anticipates the needs of students and other staff members and responds appropriately.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

5. The employee is dependable and punctual.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

6. The employee demonstrates flexibility in the course of handling day to day responsibilities.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

7. The employee maintains and respects confidentiality of all sensitive information concerning the students and other staff members of the school.
   - □ Excellent
   - □ Satisfactory
   - □ Improvement Needed
   - □ Unsatisfactory*

*Any item marked “unsatisfactory” will automatically be included on a Plan of Improvement for the next cycle.

**Overall Summative Rating**

| □ Excellent | □ Satisfactory | □ Improvement Needed | □ Unsatisfactory |
Supervisor Comments

____________________________________________

Staff Member Signature and Date*

Evaluator Signature and Date

*The signature of the staff member affirms that s/he has reviewed this completed evaluation with the evaluator and has been given the opportunity to provide comments and attach documentation related to this evaluation to the document