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Trustees chairman out in BC High shake-up

Down to 12 members, board reaffirms it has no plans to allow female students

By James Vaznis
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The chairman of the trustees at Boston College High School has left the board as part of a massive restructuring that aims to restore confidence and transparency in its

leadership, following a public uproar about the idea of admitting female students to the all-boys institution.

It remains unclear whether John McQuillan, the chairman who faced heated accusations

from parents and alumni about allegedly orchestrating a coeducation movement, resigned or was forced out. About two dozen other trustees, from both sides of the coeducation debate, have also left the board, according to the new roster of trustees.

In announcing the changes, the board of the school, which was founded in 1863, reaffirmed that it

has no plans to allow female students to attend.

The outgoing board of trustees announced the changes late Wednesday afternoon in a letter to the BC High community, two days after the board decided to dramatically shrink the number of trustees serving the Dorchester school. The new board has 12 members, down

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City scraps summit on climate with China

Walsh decries lack of help from Trump White House

By David Abel
GLOBE STAFF

As the Trump administration considers withdrawing from the Paris climate accord, Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh said Wednesday that plans to hold an international climate summit in Boston this summer, an event announced to fanfare last year in Beijing, have been scrapped for lack of federal support.

"The administration just hasn't been responding to us to see if they're interested in working on bringing folks here," Walsh said at a City Hall news conference, held amid reports that President Trump may be poised to abandon the landmark climate agreement. "It doesn't seem like there's any interest at all in moving forward."

Trump, who campaigned against the Paris agreement and has called climate change a hoax, said on Twitter Wednesday night that he would announce his decision about whether to remain in the pact at 3 p.m. Thursday at the White House.

Threat by Musk

The Tesla CEO says he'll resign as an adviser if Trump pulls out of climate deal. **A4.**

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SUICIDE ATTACK SHATTERS KABUL



SHAH MARAI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

A massive truck bomb targeted the heart of Afghanistan's capital on Wednesday, killing 90 people and wounding 400, most of them civilians. The blast gouged a crater about 15 feet deep in the heavily guarded diplomatic quarter. There was no claim of responsibility for the attack, one of the worst since the drawdown of foreign forces from the country in 2014. **A3.**

New screens a feature of plan for Harvard Sq. Theater

By Dan Adams
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The former Harvard Square Theater, a cornerstone of Cambridge's signature neighborhood for decades before its closure in 2012, would be demolished and replaced with a five-story office and retail complex under a new plan floated Wednesday by owner Gerald Chan.

And in a significant concession to neighbors, Chan plans to include a new, two-screen cinema in the below-ground level of his 50,000-square-foot

development on Church Street. The theater business would probably be managed by Richard Fraiman, the owner of independent theaters in Arlington and Somerville's Davis Square.

"We are excited to have the opportunity to create a building of contemporary urban design in Harvard Square," a spokeswoman for Chan said in a statement. "We've heard the community concerns about reactivating Church Street and are responding with a plan

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MERGE ARCHITECTS

The five-story office and retail complex on Church Street would include a two-screen cinema.

JetBlue to test face recognition on Logan travelers

Airline is first to try system for boarding, on Aruba route

By Adam Vaccaro
GLOBE STAFF

JetBlue Airways will be the first airline to test facial-recognition systems with passengers at Logan Airport in June, part of a broader rollout of the nascent technology at US airports this year.

The carrier will allow passengers on its Boston-to-Aruba route to be photographed at the gate instead of checking in with boarding passes. JetBlue will check those images against the passengers' passport or visa photos on file with Customs and Border Protection, and those with successful matches will be allowed to board without showing a ticket or a passport.

Joanna Geraghty, JetBlue's vice president of customer experience, said the system could be a first step in a broad reworking of air travel, substituting face checks for travel documents at every step of the process: check-in, baggage drop, securi-

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In the news

The House Intelligence Committee issued subpoenas for former national security adviser Michael Flynn and President Trump's personal lawyer as part of its Russia probe. **A2.**

A woman in Cambridge and her children are the first in Massachusetts to take refuge in a church since groups began offering sanctuary to undocumented immigrants. **B1.**

The owner of Westport Tenant Farm pleaded not guilty to a host of animal cruelty charges. **B1.**

Westborough-based eClinicalWorks reached a \$155 million settlement with federal prosecutors over alleged false claims and kickbacks. **B10.**

Harvest Co-op Markets sent a plea to members urging them



Bright you are

Thursday: Clearing, pleasant. High 72-77. Low 53-58.

Friday: More of the same. High 68-73. Low 52-57.

Sunrise: 5:10 Sunset: 8:14
Complete report, **B15.**

to spend more on groceries as sales plummet. **B10.**

The number of depressed children is considerably higher than previously estimated, a large new study found. **A5.**

"Hedwig and the Angry Inch" at the Shubert is full of verve and ferocity, as well as stillness and reflection, writes critic Don Aucoin. **G1.**

BELLA BOND TRIAL

'Please say it ain't so, Mike. She said you killed Bella, bro.'

MICHAEL SPRINSKY in a 2015 text to friend Michael McCarthy, after he was allegedly told by Rachelle Bond that McCarthy was to blame for her daughter's death

The DCF 'took Bella. That's what she told me.'

MCCARTHY'S TEXT RESPONSE

'They [both] thought the child was possessed by demons.'

SPRINSKY, in court

Story on testimony, **B1.**

HE'S GOT SOMETHING IN STORE FOR CORPORATE FOE

By Billy Baker
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In 1946, a convenience store chain in Texas decided to change its name to reflect its new extended hours, from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

They called the stores 7-Eleven. Seven decades later in South Boston, a man named Abu Musa opened a convenience store on East Broadway.

He called his store 6-Twelve. Yes, those are the store's hours, but that's

not the only reason he named it 6-Twelve. Mostly, Musa did it because he hates 7-Eleven.

In particular, he is at war with the 7-Eleven franchise on the other side of the street, a store he knows very well.

He used to own it. Now he wants to destroy it.

"My goal is to get them to close," Musa says.

It is a twisted saga that involves personali-

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Abu Musa used to own a 7-Eleven in South Boston, but after battling the company, he's running a 6-Twelve on the other side of the street.

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