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The Longy School of Music and the Longy Faculty Union Reach Agreement

Cambridge, MA – The Longy School of Music and the Longy Faculty Union (American Federation of Teachers, Massachusetts, AFL-CIO) are pleased to announce that they and all the affected individuals have reached a global settlement. After fourteen months, the parties held round-the-clock and sometimes challenging negotiations in January and early February. In doing so, the parties resolved the pending National Labor Relations Board complaints against the School and reached a first-time, three-year collective bargaining agreement. The Longy Faculty Union, in a unanimous vote, ratified the contract on March 6.

The School and the Union believe that the pending merger between Longy and Bard College is an important next step in the future of Longy and both parties look forward to a productive and rewarding relationship in the years ahead.

About Longy School of Music
Located in Harvard Square, Longy School of Music is a degree-granting Conservatory that also offers a wide range of Community Programs for children (Preparatory Studies) and adults (Continuing Studies). With a curriculum rooted in the traditions of Western music, Longy serves 225 undergraduate and graduate students from 37 states and 21 countries, and nearly 1,000 children and adults from the Greater Boston area. Longy’s overarching mission is to prepare musicians to make a difference in the world. For more information, including our concert schedule, directions, and information about classes and degree programs, visit our website at www.longy.edu.

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