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Cambridge College well represented in Deval Patrick Working Groups

CAMBRIDGE— Cambridge College will be well represented when Deval Patrick moves into the Governor's office in January. Not only has Cambridge College's President Mahesh C. Sharma been appointed to serve on the Higher Education Working Group, but one of the institution's alumni, **Dr. V. James Marini**, will be serving on a Working Group.

Dr. Marini, who is the Superintendent for Winchester Public Schools, will serve on Patrick's Education/ Pre-K-12 Working Group. Mr. Marini graduated from Cambridge College in 1974, when the institution was named Antioch University/Institute of Open Education. The Pre- K-12 Working Group will focus on issues like expanding early education opportunities, extending the school day, reducing class size, coordinating after-school programs, supporting high quality teaching, providing adequate resources for public schools, and improving assessment tools.

Governor-elect Patrick is assembling 15 individual Working Group committees as part of his state policy reconstruction. Each of the groups consists of high profile members in their respective field, who will all meet, gather information, and report their findings to Patrick.

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