

## NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES

### **POLICY:**

Policy of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee in regard to naming school facilities is to follow current R.I. G. L. 45-2-16 Naming of city or town constructions. – Every city or town has the exclusive right, power, and authority to name any and all city or town sponsored projects, including, but not limited to, buildings, bridges, edifices, and any and all other construction or erection sponsored by the town or city and also including all projects constructed or erected pursuant to authority extended to municipal committees of city or town government, including, but not limited to, school committees or housing authorities. Each city and town may select committees through their representative councils for the purpose of determining the name to be selected.

The principles of good government would certainly encourage the Town Councils of the respective communities to work collaboratively with the Bristol Warren Regional School District committee in arriving at naming choices for facilities.

### Naming of Rooms within a building, Special Areas or Ways (ie. Memorial Plaques, Trees, Benches, etc.)

The Bristol Warren Regional School Committee believes that the naming or rededication of school facilities is a matter of great importance. The Committee will consider requests from school and community groups to name an athletic facility, library, auditorium, classroom, and other special areas or ways, provided the proposed name has special significance and/or the person has made an outstanding contribution to the school or school system. Only those individuals whose record of service is such as to inspire pride and honor to those utilizing the facility will be considered.

Relative to the implementation of this policy, the following regulations have been established.

- 1) When a name is presented for consideration as either the name for a school facility room or as a memorial plaque in honor of an individual, the Superintendent will appoint an ad hoc committee of up to three members to consider the request.
- 2) The subcommittee shall consider in their deliberations:
  - a) The recognition and overall acceptance of the individual by the community; b) The contribution the individual has made to the educational programs and students of Bristol Warren.
- 3) The subcommittee, within twenty-five days of their first meeting, shall present to the School Committee their recommendations regarding the request.
- 4) The School Committee shall have final say on the request; however, an affirmative or negative vote must be made by a quorum of the Committee.

ADOPTED: July 17, 2006

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REFERENCE:

BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BRISTOL, RI 1