

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**Minutes Approved  
Monday, January 8, 2024**

The meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held in person on Monday, January 8, 2024 at Mt. Hope High School, Cafeteria located at 199 Chestnut Street, Bristol, RI 02809. The meeting link can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IL56qljXOpg>

Present: Nicky Piper- Chairperson, Adam McGovern- Vice-Chairperson, Kyle Jackson, Carly Reich, Jessica Almeida- Treasurer, Karen Cabral, Tara Thibaudeau, Marjorie McBride, Ana Riley- Superintendent of Schools, Danielle Carey- Director of Finance & Administration, Lisa Colwell- Director of Student Support Services, Diane Sanna- Assistant Superintendent and Frank Caliri- Facilities Director  
Absent: Sarah Bullard

**I. OPEN SESSION**

Chairperson Nicky Piper called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 pm

**II. OPENING BUSINESS**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Piper invited the Boy Scouts of America Troop 6 up to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. MOTION TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES (Meeting Dates 1/8/24)**

MOTION: Ms. Reich made a motion seal the Executive Session Minutes for Meeting Date 1/8/24; seconded by Mr. Jackson. The motion was approved (8-0).

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**V. ACCOLADES**

The Girls Soccer Team was recognized for making it to the finals.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairperson Piper asked if any member of the School Committee wanted to remove any items from the Consent Agenda. Ms. Almeida asked for Consent item A. Approval of School Committee Minutes and Ms. Thibaudeau asked for Consent item C. JFAA/JFAB- Admission of Resident/Nonresident Students to be removed and added to the Business Agenda.

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MOTION: Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to approve the items B and D on the Consent Agenda; seconded by Ms. Reich. The motion was approved (8-0).

- B. Homeschool Requests (2)
- D. Contract for District Administrative Manager

**VII. PRESENTATION**

Chairperson Piper stated that the first presentation is the PMA/Perkins Eastman Update, which is focused on the necessity of school construction. Chairperson Piper allowed for comments/questions from the committee and the public. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 29:46.

**VIII. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Approval of Minutes 12/11/23 School Committee Meeting**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the 12/11/23 School Committee Meeting.

Motion: Ms. Reich made a motion to approve the Minutes of the 12/11/23 School Committee Meeting, seconded by Mr. Jackson. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 40:54. This motion passed (5-3) with Ms. Almeida and Ms. Cabral voting in descent and Ms. Thibaudeau abstaining.

**B. 2024 Rhode Island Student Survey**

Please see the meeting video for discussion at 47:00.

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve the 2024 Rhode Island Student Survey.

Motion: Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to approve the 2024 Rhode Island Student Survey, seconded by Ms. Reich. This motion passed (8-0).

**C. DDA- Funding Sources outside the School System (New)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve policy DDA- Funding Sources outside the School System for a First Read.

Motion: Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to approve policy DDA- Funding Sources outside the School System for a First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 51:06. This motion passed (7-1) with Ms. McBride voting in descent.

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**D. IGAE/AGAF/IGAG- Health Education/Physical Education/ Teaching about  
Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy IGAE/AGAF/IGAG- Health Education/Physical Education/ Teaching about Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco (Removal)- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy IGAE/AGAF/IGAG- Health Education/Physical Education/ Teaching about Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:02:44. This motion passed (8-0).

**E. IIAB/IIAC- Supplementary/Library Materials Selection and Adoption  
(Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy IIAB/IIAC- Supplementary/Library Materials Selection and Adoption (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to motion to remove policy IIAB/IIAC- Supplementary/Library Materials Selection and Adoption (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:06:31. This motion passed (8-0).

**F. JLD-Guidance Program (Revision)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to revise policy JLD- Guidance Program- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to revise policy JLD- Guidance Program- First Read, seconded by Mr. Jackson. This motion passed (7-1) with Ms. McBride voting in descent.

**G. IKACA- Parent Conferences (Revision)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to revise policy IKACA- Parent Conferences- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to revise policy IKACA- Parent Conferences- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. This motion passed (8-0).

**H. IKFA- Early Graduation (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy IKFA- Early Graduation (Removal)-

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First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to remove policy IKFA- Early Graduation (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:09:15. This motion passed (5-3) with Ms. McBride, Ms. Cabral & Ms. Thibaudeau voting in descent.

**I. IKFB- Graduation Exercises (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy IKFB- Graduation Exercises (Removal)- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy IKFB- Graduation Exercises (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Mr. Jackson. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:13:49. This motion passed (8-0).

**J. JFAA/JFAB- Admission of Resident/Nonresident Students (Renewal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to renew policy JFAA/JFAB- Admission of Resident/Nonresident Students (Renewal)- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to renew policy JFAA/JFAB- Admission of Resident/Nonresident Students (Renewal)- First Read, seconded by Mr. McGovern. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:16:40. This motion passed (8-0).

**K. JECB-R- Admission of Nonresident Students (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JECB-R- Admission of Nonresident Students (Removal)- First Read.

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to remove policy JECB-R- Admission of Nonresident Students (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. This motion passed (8-0).

**L. JECD- Assignments of Students to Classes (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JECD- Assignments of Students to Classes (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy JECD- Assignments of Students to Classes (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Mr. McGovern. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:22:15. This motion passed (8-0).

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**M. JFCE- Secret Societies (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JFCE- Secret Societies (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to remove policy JFCE- Secret Societies (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. This motion passed (8-0).

**N. JFI- Student Demonstrations and Strikes (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JFI- Student Demonstrations and Strikes (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to remove policy JFI- Student Demonstrations and Strikes (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Reich. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:24:23. This motion passed (8-0).

**O. JI- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JI- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy JI- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:25:20. This motion passed (8-0).

**P. JI-R- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JI-R- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy JI-R- Student Awards and Scholarships (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. This motion passed (8-0).

**Q. JL- Student Gifts and Solicitations (Removal)- First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to remove policy JL- Student Gifts and Solicitations (Removal)- First Read

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**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to remove policy JL- Student Gifts and Solicitations (Removal)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:27:00. This motion passed (8-0).

**R. GBOB- Reporting Known or Suspected Child Abuse And/Or Neglect (Review)-  
First Read**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to accept the reviewed policy GBOB- Reporting Known or Suspected Child Abuse And/Or Neglect (Review)- First Read

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to accept the reviewed policy GBOB- Reporting Known or Suspected Child Abuse And/Or Neglect (Review)- First Read, seconded by Ms. Thibaudeau. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:28:00. This motion was then withdrawn so this item could be tabled for Attorney Carroll's review.

**S. MOA for the projects approved by the Council as part of the Necessity of School  
Construction Application**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve the MOA for the projects approved by the Council as part of the Necessity of School Construction Application

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to approve the MOA for the projects approved by the Council as part of the Necessity of School Construction Application, seconded by Ms. Cabral. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:29:58. This motion passed (7-1) with Ms. McBride voting in descent.

**T. MOA for the PAYGO funding that can be used for any approved project**

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve the MOA for the PAYGO funding that can be used for any approved project

**Motion:** Ms. Reich made a motion to approve the MOA for the PAYGO funding that can be used for any approved project, seconded by Mr. McGovern. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 1:31:22. This motion passed (7-1) with Ms. McBride voting in descent.

Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:** Ms. Thibaudeau made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Reich. The motion passed (8-0). The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:27 PM