

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

**Minutes Approved  
Monday, June 29, 2023**

The meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held in person on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at Reynolds School Building in the 1st Floor Conference Room located at 235 High Street, Bristol, RI 02809.

Present: Nicky Piper, Chairperson; Adam McGovern, Vice-Chairperson; Jessica Almeida, Treasurer; Karen Cabral, Kyle Jackson, Marjorie McBride, Carly Reich, and Sarah Bullard; Ana Riley, Superintendent of Schools; Danielle Carey, Director of Finance & Administration; Frank Caliri, Facilities Director;

Absent: Tara Thibaudeau, Secretary

Guests: Chad Crittenden from PMA Consultants; Mark McCarthy from Perkins Eastman

**I. OPEN SESSION**

Chairperson Nicky Piper called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 pm

**II. OPENING BUSINESS**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Piper invited all present to stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairperson Piper asked if any member of the School Committee wanted to remove any items from the Consent Agenda. No items were removed and Chairperson Piper asked for a motion to approve all the items under the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Ms. McBride made a motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mr. Jackson. The motion was approved unanimously.

A. Minutes of 6-12-23 School Committee Meeting

B. School Property Disposal

C. Standardized Monthly Financial Reports

i. Cash Disbursements

ii. Monthly Financial Report with Variance Analysis

iii. Budget Transfer Report

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

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- A. Vote on the recommendation from the School Building Committee to build a new high school or renovate existing building.

MOTION: Mr. McGovern made a motion to recommend building a new high school based on the cost schedule and academic implications as recommended by the School Building Committee; seconded by Ms. Bullard.

DISCUSSION: Presentation given by PMA Consultants (PMA) and Perkins Eastman (PE) regarding the proposals to build a new high school and the design options.

PMA advised that the School Building Committee voted today to recommend building a new high school based on the cost schedule and academic implications.

- Option - Repair/Renovate: 36-48 month duration; \$152M Conceptual Estimate
- Option - Addition/Renovate: 30-36 month duration; \$167M Conceptual Estimate
- Option - New Build: 24 month duration; \$158M Conceptual Estimate

PMA presented the updated breakdowns on construction cost efficiency. PMA presented the overall comparative cost analysis of the total project cost. Presented the difference in contingency and swing space and why it is higher in add/reno as opposed to all new construction.

Discussion ensued regarding how the School Building Committee came to the vote to recommend the new build for the high school versus the other options listed above to Repair/renovate or Addition/Renovate.

Discussion ensued regarding the options for new high school design options presented for building a new high school or renovate existing building.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously (8-0).

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Ms. McBride made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. McGovern. The motion was approved unanimously (8-0). The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tara Thibaudeau, Secretary

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