

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
WORKSHOP MEETING
Tuesday, November 12, 2019**

A meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held on November 12, 2019, at Mt. Hope High School, 199 Chestnut Street, Bristol, RI. Chairperson Erin Schofield, called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM.

Present: Erin Schofield, Chairperson; Adam Ramos, Vice-Chairperson; Brian Bradshaw, Treasurer; John Saviano, Secretary; John Bento (arrived 6:55pm), Victor Cabral, Marjorie McBride, and Carly Reich, Sheila Ellsworth (absent); and Mary Ann Carroll, Esq., District Solicitor

Administrators: Jonathan Brice, Ed.D, Superintendent; Diane Sanna, Assistant Superintendent; Mary Almeida, Literacy, Christine Hughes (KMS teacher), Raquel Pellerin, Finance Director (absent); Kimberly Aguiar, HR Director (absent)

Guest: Mary Cabral, KMS Math teacher

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Pursuant to Open Meeting Laws 42-46-5 (a)(1) for the following:

1. Job Performance of Individuals - Said persons have been notified in advance, in writing, and advised that they may require that the discussion be held in open session.

MOTION: Mr. Bradshaw made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m.; seconded by Mrs. M. McBride. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: At 6:44pm, Mr. Saviano made a motion to recess the executive session to enter into open session but to return afterwards; seconded by Mr. Bradshaw. The motion passed unanimously.

OPEN SESSION:

Public Comment:

There was no public comment

OPENING BUSINESS:

All present were invited to join in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ACCOLADES:

MOUNT HOPE HIGH SCHOOL

On behalf of the Bristol Warren Regional School District School Committee, I would like to congratulate the team for winning the Northeast Regional "Go For Launch" Competition by Higher Orbits and NASA. They are now in the national round.

The students are:

**Kristinna Cabral
Mikayla Hudon
Aditi Mehta
Shivani Mehta**

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of October 28, 2019 Regular SC Business meeting minutes.
2. Appointment of Superintendent: Approval of Contract

MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. M. McBride to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. B. Bradshaw. The motion passed with an 8 - 0 vote. The motion passed unanimously.

I. AGENDA FOCUS

A. RICAS and SAT Scores: Presentation and Discussion.

Diane Sanna gave the presentation and discussed RICAS and SAT Scores.
Mary Almedia spoke regarding literacy
Christine Hughes spoke to Math Scores

Discussion:

Dr. Brice suggested to the School Committee to award the student with the highest test score a citation at the next meeting.

V. Cabral wanted to know how many students in the 5th grade continue onto KMS and how many students leave to attend a private school.

R. Ramos wanted to know is the change from end of elementary and beginning of middle school usually drop off. Is this trend also a state and national happening.

Mary Almedia spoke on LA expectations.

B. Bradshaw wanted to know is the curriculum material aligning with what students will be tested on, also are your students being tested on curriculum that has not been covered in the classroom by the time the tests are taken? Is it possible this is having an affect on the test grades?

D. Sanna discussed line analysis chart given by RICAS.

Math:

Christine Hughes, KMS Math teacher, spoke to math techniques of learning, fluency, and strategy of learning.

C. Reich spoke to how are teacher absences affect these grades and would like to also know how student social-emotional difficulties affect testing outcome.

J. Bento suggested some focused on looking for the delta with the lower economic students.

SAT Scores

D. Sanna spoke on results.

Dr. Brice spoke regarding students reaching their highest level of academic performance across the board. He spoke of student interventions that is presently being put in place to assist students in reaching their highest potential.

Mr. Ramos asked for clarification of the 5 of 5 motto. These standardized tests take on an outsized exaggeration.

Dr. Brice clarified that teaching should be balanced across the board, not just geared towards state test results.

V. Cabral spoke on parental participation in student success.

Discussion ensued.

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS

None.

III. SUBCOMMITTEE/SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORTS & INITIATIVES

Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee

Reich: Next meeting is TBD @ 6:00pm Oliver School

Budget/Facilities Subcommittee

Bradshaw: Next meeting is TBD @ 6:30pm at MHHS

Personnel/Contract Negotiations Subcommittee

Ramos: BWEA is ready to discuss Teacher Union contract

Wellness Subcommittee

Reich: Wed, December 4th at 4:00pm at Oliver School

There will be student representation.

Chairperson's Initiatives

Scholfield: Revisit student Rep to the School Committee Position.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

OPEN ADJOURNMENT ENDED at 8:14 PM

There being no further business to discuss, a MOTION was made at 8:17 PM to reconvene to Executive Session, by M. McBride; seconded by Mr. B. Bradshaw. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Saviano, Secretary
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