

**BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024  
6:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Louis Borges, Jr., Chair; Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph Zinni (non-voting member), Kelsie Farrah, Student Representative

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:**

Dr. Alexandre Magalhaes, Superintendent-Director; Karen Guenette, Assistant Director/Principal; Nadine Rose, School Business Administrator

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Jennifer Karamanian, Business & Applied Technology Instructor; Amy Cohen, Special Education Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Mr. Borges leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Borges informed everyone that the meeting is being recorded.

Mr. Borges made a statement regarding the search for a new Superintendent. He stated the School Committee employs the Superintendent, the date the position was posted, an anticipated start date, preliminary screening committee, interviews, the School Committee will make the decision to select a Superintendent-Director, and if the steps being taken are not fruitful, then the MASC or NESDEC would be contacted for guidance.

**2. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS****Information: A. BPTA**

Mrs. Karamanian thanked the Committee for the opportunity to address them. She discussed the search for the next Superintendent-Director and gave the Committee a handout of her speech.

Miss Borges commented that she has received every e-mail that was sent to her, but it is impossible to respond to every one. She stated she is in agreement with the statement read by the Chair.

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS****Information: A. Calendar**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that March 13 is a full day professional development for staff, March 29 is Good Friday and school offices are closed, April 3 is the next School Committee meeting, April 15 is Patriots' Day and school offices are closed, and April 15-19 is Spring recess.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****Action, Minutes: A. Regular Meeting - February 7, 2024**

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 7, 2024.

Motion by Edward F. Dutra, Jr., second by Mark A. Dangoia

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

**Action, Minutes: B. Personnel Subcommittee - February 7, 2024**

Motion to approve the minutes of the Personnel Subcommittee meeting of February 7, 2024.

Motion by Estele C. Borges, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

## **5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **Information: B. Budget Subcommittee - February 29, 2024**

Miss Borges reported that the Budget Subcommittee met on February 29, and the FY25 budget was approved for \$33,505,724.

## **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Action, Minutes: C. Budget Subcommittee - February 29, 2024**

Motion to approve the minutes of the Budget Subcommittee meeting of February 29, 2024.

Motion by Estele C. Borges, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

## **5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **Information, Report: A. Warrant Subcommittee**

Mr. Borges reported that eight (8) warrants have been signed since the last meeting.

## **6. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

### **Information: A. FY25 Budget**

Mrs. Rose explained Schedules I, II, III, and the assessment comparisons between the FY24 and FY25 budgets. She reported there is an overall increase of 5.9%, and it is again at the minimum required contribution.

### **Information: B. Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)**

Mrs. Cohen thanked the Committee for having her attend the meeting, explained MTSS, discussed the competency, implementation, and leadership drivers, the MTSS Activities completed to date, MTSS goals, the timeline, and expected outcomes for 2024.

### **Information: C. Student Opportunity Act**

Mrs. Guenette explained the Student Opportunity Act Plan, how it was established, continuation of the 3-year plan needing the Commissioner's review, the "Student Outcome Comparison Tool" to help districts develop the plan, and the data targets both students with disabilities and low-income students into three categories.

### **Information: D. School Project**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that the School Building Committee met on February 29 to discuss the construction progress update, brick selection, and project schedule. He stated everyone can view the construction work through the camera links on the front page of the B-P website.

Dr. Magalhaes also stated that on Monday, March 4, he attended a meeting with MassDOT regarding the County Street lights and are discussing how best to connect their driveway to ours. Dr. Magalhaes thanked Miss Borges, Representative Doherty, Senator Pacheco, and Representative Orrall for their help in moving this forward.

### **Information: E. Wrestling**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that the wrestling team made history at the state championships: Brooke Weafer and Jacob Bettencourt were the first state champions in the history of B-P. He reported four wrestlers qualified for the New England tournament, where Brooke took second.

Miss Borges suggested we invite them to the next School Committee meeting to hear about their experiences and congratulate them in person.

Dr. Magalhaes stated there was a conflict for this month's School Committee meeting and we hope to get them here next month.

### **Information: F. Graduation**

Dr. Magalhaes reported that graduation will be the first Saturday in June and it will be held outside at Coyle Cassidy. If there is a weather problem, we will have graduation in the gym at B-P.

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Action: A. Student Opportunity Act - VOTE**

Motion to approve the Student Opportunity Act Plan as presented.

Motion by Estele C. Borges, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

### **Action: B. FY25 Budget - VOTE**

Motion to approve the FY25 Budget as presented.

Motion by Estele C. Borges, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Action: A. 2024-2025 School Calendar - VOTE**

Motion to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar as presented.

Motion by Timothy J. Holick, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

Mr. Dutra stated he has new business. 1) He acknowledged Mr. Vieira for attending the meeting; and 2) if possible, he would like to bring someone in to give a presentation from Crisis Go, a safety program for critical incidents.

Dr. Magalhaes stated he will forward this information to B-P's Crisis Committee.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

### **Action: A. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by George L. Randall, III, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, James W. Clark, Mark A. Dangoia, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tracy A. Costa  
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:  
Handout from Jennifer Karamanian  
Calendar  
2/7/2024 Regular Meeting Minutes  
2/7/24 Personnel Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
2/29/24 Budget Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
Warrant Report  
Draft FY25 Budget  
Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) PowerPoint  
Student Opportunity Act Plan  
School Project Slides  
2024-2025 Draft School Calendar