

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

**Minutes Approved
Monday, December 16, 2024**

The meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held in person on Monday, December 16, 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=XNE8eD-b3Rk>

Present: Adam McGovern, Nicky Piper, Jessica Almeida, Kyle Jackson, Carly Reich, Megan Ferreira, Glenn Donovan, Margaret Richards, Christine Barlow, Ana Riley- Superintendent, Diane Sanna- Assistant Superintendent, Lisa Colwell- Special Education Director and Mary Ann Carroll- Legal Council

Absent:

I. OPEN SESSION

Superintendent Riley called the meeting to order at approximately 6:31 pm.

II. OPENING BUSINESS

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Riley invited all present to stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Attorney Carroll asked all new members in addition to re-elect Nicky Piper to stand and repeat their Oath of Office.

Superintendent Riley then asked the four new School Committee members to introduce themselves. Please see the meeting video at 5:55.

Superintendent Riley asked for the election of School Committee officers starting with nominations for Chairperson. Ms. Piper nominated Mr. McGovern, seconded by Ms. Reich. With no other nominations, the motion was approved (9-0).

Chairperson McGovern asked for a nomination for Vice-Chairperson. Seeing none, Chairperson McGovern nominated Ms. Piper, seconded by Mr. Jackson. With no other nominations, this motion was approved (9-0).

Chairperson McGovern asked for a nomination for Treasurer. Mr. Jackson nominated Ms. Reich, seconded by Ms. Richards and then Ms. Ferreira nominated Ms. Almeida, seconded by Ms. Reich. Mr. McGovern asked for discussion and Ms. Richards requested that both candidates speak as to why they would like to serve in the role as treasurer. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 11:15.

Mr. McGovern then did a roll call for treasurer with Mr. Jackson voting Ms. Reich, Vice-Chair Piper voting Ms. Reich, Ms. Almeida voting herself, Ms. Reich voting herself, Ms. Ferreira

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voting Ms. Almeida, Mr. Donovan voting Ms. Reich, Ms. Richards voting Ms. Reich, Ms. Barlow voting Ms. Reich and Chairperson McGovern voting Ms. Reich. With Ms. Reich becoming Treasurer by majority vote.

Chairperson McGovern then asked for a nomination for Secretary of the School Committee. Ms. Piper nominated Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Reich. With no other nominations, this motion was approved (9-0).

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. PRESENTATIONS

The presentation was School Committee 101 presented by Attorney Carroll. Chairperson McGovern allowed for comments/questions from the committee. Please see the meeting video for presentation/discussion at 14:44 and 33:47.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson McGovern asked if any member of the School Committee wanted to remove any items from the Consent Agenda. Ms. Ferreira asked for item B. Homeschool Requests to be removed. Chairperson McGovern asked if anyone wanted to remove anything else from the Consent Agenda with nothing else, he asked for all in favor to say I.

MOTION: The motion was approved (9-0).

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - a. 11/18/24 School Committee Meeting
- C. Acceptance of Donation from SEACORP, LLC

VII. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

A. Homeschool Requests (11)

Chairperson McGovern asked for a motion to approve the Homeschool Requests.

MOTION: Ms. Almeida made a motion to approve the Homeschool Requests; seconded by Ms. Piper. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 37:19. The motion was approved (9-0).

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B. Consider and Vote to Approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 317 Market Street, Warren, Rhode Island pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws 16-3.1-10

Chairperson McGovern asked for a motion to Consider and Vote to Approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 317 Market Street, Warren, Rhode Island pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws 16-3.1-10.

MOTION: Ms. Reich made a motion to Consider and Vote to Approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 317 Market Street, Warren, Rhode Island pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws 16-3.1-10; seconded by Ms. Almeida. Please see the meeting video at 40:27 for discussion. The motion was approved (9-0).

C. Superintendent Goals

This item was discussion only. Please see the meeting video for discussion at 43:47.

D. 2025 School Committee Meeting Dates

Please see the meeting video for discussion at 44:39.

Chairperson McGovern asked for a motion to approve the 2025 School Committee Meeting Dates.

MOTION: Ms. Piper made a motion to approve 2025 School Committee Meeting Dates; seconded by Mr. Jackson. The motion was approved (9-0).

Chairperson McGovern asked for a motion to adjourn Public Session.

Motion: Ms. Reich made a motion to adjourn Public Session; seconded by Ms. Piper. The motion passed (9-0). The public meeting adjourned at approximately 7:14 PM.