

**BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025  
6:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

George L. Randall, III, Chair; Estele C. Borges, Louis Borges, Jr., James W. Clark, Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, Richard J. Spada, Jr. (6:10), Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., Alexis Frye, Student Representative

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:**

Dr. Alexandre Magalhaes, Superintendent-Director; Andrew Rebello, Assistant Superintendent; Nadine Rose, School Business Administrator; Karen Guenette, Assistant Director/Principal; Jacqueline Boudreau, Treasurer

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

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

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS****Information: A. Calendar**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that President Trump declared February Career and Technical Education month. He stated February 17 is Presidents' Day and school offices are closed, February 17-21 is Winter Recess, March 5 is the Budget Public Hearing followed by the School Committee meeting, and March 19 is a full PD for staff and students do not have school.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****Action, Minutes: A. Regular & Reorganization Meeting - January 8, 2025**

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular and reorganization meeting of January 8, 2025.

Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by Timothy J. Holick

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, Louis Borges, Jr., James W. Clark, Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

**4. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS****Information: A. 2024 Annual Report**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that the 2024 Annual Report was sent to the Mayor's office, City and Town Councils, Selectmen offices, Finance offices, Town Administrators and Town Managers, and City/Town Clerks.

**Information: B. NIAAA - Certified Athletic Administrator**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that Mark Lebeda received recognition as a Certified Athletic Administrator by the NIAAA. He explained this is a very prestigious certification that is recognized nationwide.

**Information: C. Donations**

A letter was sent to Paul and Lisa Livingstone thanking them for donating a 2003 Chevrolet Silverado to the Automotive Program.

A letter was sent to Frank and Jill Judd thanking them for donating a 2011 Nissan Altima to the Automotive Program.

## **5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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

Mr. Randall reported that eleven (11) warrants have been signed for the month of January.

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

### **Information: A. Student Representative Report**

Alexis Frye stated she would like to speak about more important things than school dances, etc. She discussed concerns from students about the lack of variety in class options, restrictive flexibility in course progression, quality of community college courses, and AP courses. She discussed concerns from faculty members about addressing discrimination and school climate, lack of accountability and discipline, dress code enforcement, why the gate was installed in the main office, MCAS policy updates, teachers swiping in the building, substitute coverage, student representative speaking at every School Committee meeting, and shop teacher involvement in hiring.

Miss Borges asked that these concerns be placed on file. All Committee members agreed.

Dr. Magalhaes asked Mrs. Guenette to report on student activities.

Mrs. Guenette reported on winter sports teams, DECA, SkillsUSA, fundraisers, Student Council, Community Service Club, BPA, and B-P Student Ambassadors.

### **Information: B. DECA District Conference 2025**

Dr. Magalhaes read the first place winners of the DECA District Conference. He stated 46 students competed at the District Conference and 27 are going on to States.

### **Information: C. Freshmen Placement**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee of the two charts in the packet: exploratory and final choices for Freshmen placement. He explained the differences, gave highlights, and the single digit programs will be reviewed.

A question was asked and answered regarding the number of students that did not receive their top three choices.

### **Information: D. Crisis To Go Committee**

Mrs. Guenette discussed the software used in case of a crisis, now installed on every device in the school, stated it is used as a communication and safety tool for any serious emergencies, and check sheets in case of a lockdown.

Questions were asked and answered about plans for this software and expanding it in the new building.

### **Information: E. B-P News**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee of three newsworthy events: B-P Student Volleyball Player of the Year, B-P Student Girls Soccer Play of the Year, and the SpongeBob musical receiving 23 nominations from the Ocean State Star Awards.

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Action: A. Bond - VOTE**

Motion to approve the votes prepared by Bond Counsel to the District, in the form presented to this meeting, which votes, among other things, make the formal award of the bonds to the purchaser, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, and approve the 4% and 5% coupon interest rate on the bonds plus the \$118,345,000 premium, as determined in the competitive sale held on January 29, 2025, and shall be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

Motion by Estele C. Borges, second by Louis Borges, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Estele C. Borges, Louis Borges, Jr., James W. Clark, Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

**Action: B. Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to hear and review BPTA Grievance.**

**Action: C. B. Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategies for collective bargaining matters with the Bristol-Plymouth Teachers Association Unit B in accordance with M.G.L. 30A, Section 21 (a)(3).**

Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing and reviewing the BPTA Grievance pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2). Immediately following this Executive Session, the Committee will enter into a second Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategies and negotiations with the Bristol-Plymouth Teachers Association Unit B Paraprofessionals in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) because to do so in open session could be detrimental to the position of the School Committee.

Mr. Randall stated the Committee will not be returning to open session after adjourning from the executive sessions.

Motion by Timothy J. Holick, second by Michael J. Dolan

Roll call: Estele C. Borges, yes; Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr., yes; Timothy J. Holick, yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

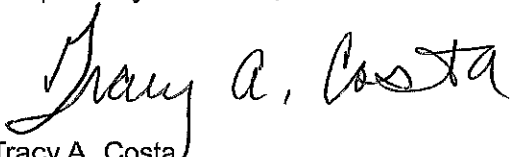
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

**Action: A. Adjournment**

The regular meeting ended at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tracy A. Costa

Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:

2/3/25 Presidential Action: Career and Technical Education Month, 2025

Calendar

1/8/25 Regular & Reorganization Meeting Minutes

2024 Annual Report

12/17/24 Press Release from NIAAA

1/29/25 Thank You Letter

1/29/25 Second Thank You Letter

Warrant Report

Student Representative - Summary: School Committee - February 3rd, 2025  
2025 DECA District Conference Results  
Freshmen Exploratory Choices 2024-2025  
Freshmen Final Choices 2024-2025  
Taunton Gazette article "2024 Taunton Gazette All-Scholastics" (Volleyball)  
Taunton Gazette article "2024 Taunton Daily Gazette All-Scholastics" (Soccer)  
The SpongeBob Musical Press Release  
Bond Votes