

**BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 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., Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Timothy J. Holick

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Melanie Shaw, Pupil Services Administrator

**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 yesterday was the Teachers' first day, today was the Students' first day, October 1 is the next School Committee meeting, October 13 is Columbus Day, October 18 is open house, and November 5 is the Advisory Board meeting after the regular School Committee meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****Action, Minutes: A. Regular Meeting - August 6, 2025**

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 6, 2025.

Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**4. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS****5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****Information, Report: A. Warrant Subcommittee**

Mr. Randall reported that ten (10) warrants have been signed for the month of August.

**Information: B. Policy Subcommittee**

Mr. Borges reported that the Policy Subcommittee met this evening to discuss changes, modifications, deletions, and additions to Sections G and H of the Policy Manual. The Subcommittee is recommending a first read by the Full Committee of Section H.

**6. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT****Information: A. Freshmen Orientation**

Mrs. Shaw reported to the Committee about Freshmen Orientation. She discussed the trained ambassadors working with the Freshmen, the activities being held for the Freshmen, and the Family/Student presentation.

Dr. Magalhaes thanked Mrs. Shaw for a smoother transition than the past.

#### **Information: B. Food Truck**

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee that B-P was awarded \$75,000 for a food truck. He explained we received a grant from Bristol County Savings Bank, and we will be looking for a truck.

#### **Information: C. Admissions**

Mrs. Shaw explained the new admission policy since the State decided on a lottery system for admissions. State guidelines were used, we decided on a weighted lottery, she explained the extra points students would receive, there will be a public lottery, and this will also be used for the 10th graders.

Questions were asked and answered regarding the new policy being as close to what we are currently doing, how does the weighted system work, is there a video involved, extra points, more of a burden on the sending schools, and the biggest challenges of this new system.

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

Dr. Magalhaes reported two articles in the Taunton Gazette: a B-P student giving his father CPR to save his life, and Taunton softball dedicating a scoreboard to Dave Lewry, a retired history teacher from B-P.

It was suggested by Committee members to have these people attend a School Committee meeting to be recognized.

### **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **8. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Information: A. 2025-2026 District/School Improvement Plan - First Reading**

The 2025-2026 District/School Improvement Plan is being submitted for a first reading.

Ms. Casna gave a summary of the changes to the four topics of the District/School Improvement Plan: Student Outcomes, School Engagement/Accountability/Climate, Community & Family Communication/Involvement, and Professional Development. She explained the topics are consistent every year but how we address them changes from year to year.

#### **Information: B. 2026 Admission Policy - First Reading**

The 2026 Admission Policy is being submitted for a first reading.

#### **Information: C. Policy Manual, Section G - First Reading**

Dr. Magalhaes indicated Section G of the Policy Manual is on hold as it is still being revised.

#### **Information: D. Policy Manual, Section H - First Reading**

Section H of the Policy Manual is being submitted for a first reading.

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

#### **Action: F. 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. Chapter 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 Louis Borges, Jr., second by Estele C. Borges

Roll call: Estele C. Borges, yes; Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr., 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 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. Costa  
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:

Calendar

8/6/25 Regular Meeting Minutes

Warrant Report

Freshman Orientation PowerPoint

Taunton Gazette article "B-P student leaps into action to save father's life"

Taunton Gazette article "Taunton softball dedicates scoreboard to longtime coach Dave Lewry"

2025-2026 District/School Improvement Plan

2026 Admission Policy

Policy Manual, Section H Changes