

**BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2026
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Estele C. Borges, Chair; Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., Abraham Oquendo, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:

James W. Clark, Edward F. Dutra, Jr.

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:

Senior student Nadia Swiader; Senior student Mackenzie Donofrio; Senior student Nathan Gagne; Jessica Holst, English Teacher and Head Cheer Coach; Senior student Ava Bettencourt; Senior student Riley Deveney; Mark Lebeda, Athletic Director; Kevin Smith, Electrical Instructor and SkillsUSA Advisor; Senior student Julianna Fyfe; Senior student Daniel Jackson

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Miss Borges informed everyone that the meeting is being recorded.

Miss Borges asked if anyone had public input. No public input was presented.

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

Dr. Magalhaes stated that May 6-10 is the BPA National Conference in Nashville, May 7 is the Executive Advisory Board meeting, May 8 is the Spring Fling school dance, May 15-17 is the Mean Girls performance, May 16 is the Alumni walk through of the old building not the new building, May 28 is Senior awards night, May 29 is the Senior project presentation day, and July 22 is the tentative date for ribbon cutting for the new school.

Discussion was made regarding the walk through of the old building, who was involved, and surplus items.

Motion to authorize the distribution of surplus sports jerseys.

Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by George L. Randall, III

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

3. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/APPROVAL OF MINUTES**Action, Minutes: A. Regular Meeting - April 1, 2026**

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 1, 2026.

Motion by Timothy J. Holick second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

Information, Report: B. Warrant Subcommittee

Miss Borges reported that nine (9) warrants have been signed for the month of April.

4. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Information: A. MASS Certificates of Excellence

Dr. Magalhaes reported that we award the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents Certificate of Excellence to two outstanding students. This year the certificates will be given to Valedictorian Nadia Swiader and Salutatorian Mackenzie Donofrio. Dr. Magalhaes and Miss Borges presented Nadia and Mackenzie with their certificates.

Nadia stated she is attending UMass Dartmouth in the Fall and Mackenzie stated she is attending Stonehill College in the Fall.

Information: B. Markham Award

Dr. Magalhaes read the qualifications for the Markham Award, reported this year's winner is B-P Senior Nathan Gagne, a Robotics and Engineering, and stated Bristol-Plymouth has not won this award since 1999. Dr. Magalhaes and Miss Borges presented Nathan with a plaque.

Nathan Gagne indicated he is going to UMass Dartmouth for Mechanical Engineering.

Information: C. Cheerleading

Mrs. Holst thanked the Committee for their support and discussed the Cheerleaders' win at the Americheer Internationals.

Ava Bettencourt and Riley Deveney discussed their experiences on the cheer team.

Mark Lebeda handed out grand champion plaques to the cheerleaders in attendance and all introduced themselves to the Committee members.

Information: D. Student Representative Report

Abraham Oquendo reported on end of the year events for the Seniors, the job fair, and Spring sports. He thanked the School Committee and everyone at the school, and he is grateful for this opportunity.

Miss Borges thanked Abraham for his work as Student Representative and presented him with a small token of the Committee's appreciation.

Information: E. 2026 SkillsUSA State Conference Results

Kevin Smith stated this is his first year as an advisor and the students represented the school in an exemplary way. He introduced Chapter President Julianna Fyfe and Chapter Vice President Daniel Jackson.

Julianna and Dan discussed the results of the State Conference, 4 students qualified for Nationals in June, B-P has a national delegate, they are now accepting applications for a new officer team, the main goal for next year is to grow the team and organization, and thanked the Committee for their support.

Dr. Magalhaes thanked them for their efforts and congratulated the award winners.

Information: F. Food Truck

Dr. Magalhaes stated they are making sure the food truck is ready, showed a picture of the wrap for the truck, and anticipates it will be ready for the ribbon cutting.

Information: G. Skills Capital Grant

Dr. Magalhaes reported that B-P received a \$1.5 million grant for Robotics & Engineering and Metal Fab equipment. They are looking into a discrepancy in the amount as we were told it would be \$2.2 million.

Information: H. B-P News

Dr. Magalhaes informed the Committee of three articles in the newspaper: 1) B-P student earns top honors at science fair; 2) Fans choice girls basketball player of the year; and 3) students tackling gambling awareness with Photovoice project.

Miss Borges stated it is nice to celebrate the students, thanked the students, teachers, and staff for attending tonight, and appreciates each of them.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

Miss Borges stated there is new business regarding the MCC Program. She asked Ms. Casna to discuss.

Ms. Casna reported that a letter was received from Mr. Jones regarding the MCC Program. She discussed the adjustments that have been made to the MCC program after finding out B-P was not offering accredited classes. She discussed how this came about, what steps they are working towards to fix this, and what to expect in the coming years.

Questions were asked and answered regarding the internal audit and curriculum changes.

Action, Information: A. School Choice Participation - VOTE

Motion to not participate in the School Choice Program for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion by George L. Randall, III, second by Michael J. Dolan

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

Action: B. 2026-2027 School Calendar - VOTE

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar as presented.

Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by George L. Randall, III

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

Action: C. Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel

Motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel because to do so in open session could be detrimental to the position of the School Committee.

Motion by Michael J. Dolan, second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

Roll Call: Miss Borges, yes; Mr. Borges, yes; Mr. Dolan, yes; Mr. Holick, yes; Mr. Randall, yes; Mr. Spada, yes; Mr. Zinni, yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Miss Borges stated the Committee will not be returning to open session after adjourning from executive session.

The regular meeting ended at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. Costa
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:

Calendar

4/1/26 Regular Meeting Minutes

Warrant Report

Markham Award Information

SkillsUSA State Competition 2026 Results

Picture of Wrap for Food Truck

Taunton Gazette article "Bristol-Plymouth students earn top honors at science fair"

Taunton Gazette article "The 2025-26 All-Scholastics"

Taunton Gazette article "B-P students' art project tackles gambling awareness"

2026-2027 Proposed School Calendar