

BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Estele C. Borges, Chair; Louis Borges, Jr., James W. Clark, Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Timothy J. Holick

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Andrew Rebello, Superintendent-Director; 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 Miss Borges leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Miss Borges informed everyone that the meeting is being recorded, School Committee member Edward F. Dutra, Jr. will be attending the meeting by phone, and all votes will need to be roll call votes.

Mr. Dolan asked for a moment of silence for Sophomore student Emily Wilbur who recently passed. Mr. Rebello informed the Committee that B-P is making a donation in Emily's name to a cancer institute if anyone is interested.

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

Mr. Rebello informed the Committee that the students first day is tomorrow, the teachers came back Tuesday, and September 7 is Labor Day.

3. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/APPROVAL OF MINUTES**Action, Minutes: A. Regular Meeting - August 5, 2026**

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 5, 2026.

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

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information: B. Personnel Subcommittee

Mr. Randall reported the Personnel Subcommittee met earlier this evening to discuss Mr. Rebello's goals which the Subcommittee approved.

Motion to approve the Superintendent's goals.

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

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information, Report: C. Warrant Subcommittee

Miss Borges reported that eleven (11) warrants have been signed for the month of August.

4. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Information: A. Opening of the 2026-2027 School Year

Information: B. New School Opening and Building Update

Information: C. Community Partnerships and Upcoming Events

Mr. Rebello discussed the opening of the 2026-2027 school year, the new school opening and building update, and the community partnerships and upcoming events in the attached Report of the Superintendent.

Information: D. B-P in the News

Mr. Rebello informed the Committee of articles in the Taunton Gazette: 1) girls lacrosse; 2) golf champions; 3) boys track and field; and 4) girls track and field.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Action: A. 2027 Admission Policy - VOTE

Mr. Rebello discussed a proposed change to the 2027 Admission Policy: adding twin and sibling language.

Questions were asked and answered and a discussion was made regarding multiple siblings, adding a provision for the children of staff, staff and their children must reside in the community, residing in the same household, how this would work, sibling(s) already at B-P, mixed/blended families, waivers, and wanting parents to get involved and should contact their State Representatives and/or DESE regarding change, and if siblings would have the same lottery number.

Mrs. Shaw explained how this process would work, where they would be on the lottery list, waivers, and what other schools are doing.

Motion to accept the changes, including adding the provisions for siblings and staff, to the 2027 Admission Policy as presented.

Motion by James W. Clark, second by Louis Borges, Jr.

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, no; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. NEW BUSINESS

Information: A. 2026-2027 District/School Improvement Plan - First Reading

Mrs. Casna reported that the District/School Improvement Plan is written yearly with some goals being on a three year trajectory. She summarized the changes and updates for this year's plan and stated it is similar to last year's plan with a few enhancements.

A question was asked and answered regarding adding budget and night school goals.

Motion to submit the 2026-2027 District/School Improvement Plan for a first reading.

Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by James W. Clark

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information: B. Bristol-Plymouth Promise - First Reading

Mr. Rebello submitted Bristol-Plymouth's Promise and discussed B-P's shared purpose, what a graduate should look like, what a diploma should certify, MCAS, B-P's three domains, students' readiness and life after

high school, the B-P Guarantee, the Portrait of a Graduate, the B-P Seal of Distinction, and what information will be reported.

A question was asked and answered regarding if this was state mandated and if there were any roadblocks to get this done.

Motion to move the Bristol-Plymouth Promise to a first reading.

Motion by Richard J. Spada, Jr., second by George L. Randall, III

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: D. Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategies for collective bargaining matters with the Bristol-Plymouth Educators Union in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3).

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. Immediately following this Executive Session, the Committee will enter into a second Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategies for collective bargaining matters with the Bristol-Plymouth Educators Union because to do so in open session could be detrimental to the the position of the School Committee.

Motion by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr. second by James W. Clark

Roll Call: Louis Borges, Jr., yes; James W. Clark, yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr. (by phone), yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Richard J. Spada, Jr., yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

The Committee will be returning to open session after adjourning from the executive sessions.

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m. when Mr. Dutra left the meeting.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:08 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr. second by James W. Clark

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., James W. Clark, Michael J. Dolan, George L. Randall, III, Richard J. Spada, Jr., Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. Costa

Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:

Calendar

8/5/26 Regular Meeting Minutes

Warrant Report

Report of the Superintendent

Taunton Gazette article "2026 TDG Girls Lacrosse All-Scholastics"

Taunton Gazette article "Taunton, Bristol-Plymouth golfers among TJCO champions"

Taunton Gazette article "At the Top of Their Game" (Boys Track & Field)

Taunton Gazette article "Introducing 2026 Daily Gazette Girls Track & Field All-Scholastics"

Addition to 2027-2028 Admission Policy

Draft 2026-27 School/District Improvement Plan

The Bristol-Plymouth Promise