BRISTOL-PLYMOUTH REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Estele C. Borges, Chair; Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., Zoey Onuegbu, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:
James W. Clark, Richard J. Spada, Jr.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Andrew Rebello, Superintendent-Director; Nadine Rose, School Business Administrator; Pamela Casna, Assistant Director/Principal; Jacqueline Boudreau, Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT:
Matthew Grenon, Athletic Director; Marc Montesano, Guidance Counselor; Amy Slavin, Special Ed Teacher; Junior Student Edward Norton; Junior Student Hannah Slavin; Junior Student Annabelle Boucher; Junior Student Andersyn Farley; Kenneth Sutcliffe, Academic Coordinator; Glenn Lopes, Program 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.

Mr. Dutra asked for a moment of silence for B-P Class of 1976 alumni Kenny Lortie who recently passed.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information: A. Calendar

Mr. Rebello informed the Committee that Columbus Day is October 12, Open House is October 17, the Advisory Board is October 29, the MASC/MASS Joint Conference is November 4-6, Veterans' Day is November 11, and Thanksgiving recess is November 26-27.

3. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action, Minutes: A. Regular Meeting - September 2, 2026

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 2, 2026.
Motion by Edward F. Dutra, Jr., second by Timothy J. Holick
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Action: B. Personnel Subcommittee - September 2, 2026

Motion to approve the minutes of the Personnel Subcommittee of September 2, 2026.
Motion by Timothy J. Holick, second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information: C. Policy Subcommittee

Mr. Rebello reported the Policy Subcommittee met earlier tonight to discuss additions of certain sections to the Policy Manual, specifically to include the Protect Act, the Teen Dating Violence Policy, and the Freedom to Read Act.

Miss Borges suggested the rules of the committee be suspended and move the policies to a first reading.
Motion by Michael J. Dolan, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information: D. Athletic Subcommittee

Mr. Dutra reported the Athletic subcommittee met earlier this evening to discuss updates for the Fall. The Athletic Director made a presentation regarding banners for the gym, and the Subcommittee approved him to move forward.

Motion to accept the change to the banners.
Motion by Timothy J. Holick, second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information, Report: E. Warrant Subcommittee

Miss Borges reported that fourteen (14) warrants have been signed for the month of September.

Motion to approve the warrants.
Motion by Timothy J. Holick, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

4. AUDIENCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Information: A. Automotive Donation

A letter was sent to Susan Hines thanking her for donating a 2015 Kia Sorento to the Automotive program.

Information: B. Retirements/Resignations

Mr. Rebello informed the Committee of 2 resignations: Health/PE Teacher Bethany Daniels and Graphics Teacher Danielle Gracie, and one retirement: Technical Secretary Patty Medeiros.

Questions were asked and answered regarding exit meetings, late notice of resignations, and the need for an HR Department.

Motion to refer this matter to the Personnel Subcommittee.
Motion by Michael J. Dolan, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Information: C. SRO Transition

Mr. Rebello reported that SRO Jay LaPlante will be retiring on October 15, and the next step is to work with the Taunton Police Department for his replacement.

5. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Information: B. Student Experience

Mr. Rebello introduced Student Representative Zoey Onuegbu.

Zoey Onuegbu explained a little about where she came from (Stoughton), she never went to Taunton High so

she did not know anyone, and she has accomplished a lot at B-P. She went on to add her future goals, experiences, co-op, and internship.

Discussion was made regarding Zoey's adjustment, acclimating quickly, and welcomed her.

Student Representative Report

Zoey Onuegbu discussed senior projects, student council, freshmen exploratory, and homecoming.

Athletics Report

Mr. Grenon discussed divisional alignments, football, cheerleading, boys soccer, girls soccer, golf, volleyball, cross country, field hockey, and winter sports begin November 30.

Information: D. Student Voice & Global Engagement

Mr. Rebello welcomed the student ambassadors group who helped with the Portuguese delegation that won a national competition. Their award was to come to the United States, and their organization FLAD chose to tour B-P.

Mr. Montesano introduced the student ambassadors in attendance this evening and gave a little background about BPSA.

Ms. Slavin informed the Committee how the program started out small, and how the student ambassadors informed the Portugal students about our vocational education.

Students Edward Norton, Hannah Slavin, Annabelle Boucher, and Andersyn Farley discussed the Portuguese visit, toured all the shops, exchanged social media information, discussed how their academics were different than B-P, the white boards, what time their school begins compared to ours, and their lunch period is two hours long.

Information: A. Academic & Vocational Advancement

Mr. Rebello reported that MCAS are no longer tied to graduation, but we are still being held accountable as MCAS results produce one number for accountability percentile. B-P is 56 this year. Our administration is stressing the importance of MCAS to the students.

A question was asked and answered regarding DART data.

2026 MCAS & Accountability Results

Mr. Sutcliffe reported on MCAS and graduation requirements, 2025/2026 Statewide MCAS results, B-P MCAS results in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Biology, the Governor's Graduation Council and proposed EOCs, and the educational outcomes plan.

Graphic Design & Visual Communication

Mr. Rebello stated that the State has combined Chapter 74 programs Graphic Design and Design and Visual Communications into one framework.

Mr. Lopes discussed the next steps to make sure the Graphic/Visual Communication program is on track, and it is a lengthy endeavor to add a new shop. The three steps are: establishing a program with DESE and make sure all Chapter 74 requirements are met, form advisory board, and design the program with curriculum.

Information: C. Finance and Enrollment

FY27 First Quarter Budget Report

Mrs. Rose reported the first quarter budget update including comparisons, assessments, and expenditures. She discussed DESE functions 1000-8000, utilities, substitute teacher expenditures, and the first quarter is on track with the approved budget.

October 1 Enrollment

Mr. Rebello reported the total enrollment for October 1, 2026 is 1355. He referred to the pages in the packet for the October 2026 and October 2025 enrollment and the Class of 2029 and Class of 2030 comparisons.

Questions were asked and answered regarding substitutes and utilities.

Information: E. B-P in the News

Mr. Rebello notified the Committee of articles in the Taunton Gazette: 1) B-P football; and 2) a write up regarding the new building.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Action: A. 2026-2027 District/School Improvement Plan - VOTE

Mr. Rebello discussed a couple of additional changes to the District/School Improvement Plan: the budget process, new language offerings, dual enrollment, and night school.

Motion to accept the changes, including the most recent additions, to the 2026-2027 District/School Improvement Plan as presented.
Motion by George L. Randall, III, second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Action: B. Bristol-Plymouth Promise - VOTE

Mr. Rebello reminded the Committee of the B-P promise that was shared last month and a vote is needed to make it official.

Motion to accept the Bristol-Plymouth Promise as presented.
Motion by Edward F. Dutra, Jr., second by Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. NEW BUSINESS

Action: A. FY 2026 Budget Closeout - VOTE

Mrs. Rose summarized the FY26 budget closeout. She explained the DESE functions, the budget spending, the surpluses and deficits, the OPEB Trust Fund, the net school spending, and the unexpended balance is to remain in the general fund.

Motion to accept the end of FY26 summary as presented with the understanding that unexpended funds will remain in the General Fund balance.
Motion by Michael J. Dolan, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Action: B. 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).

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)(3) to discuss strategies for collective bargaining matters with the Bristol-Plymouth Educators Union. Immediately following this Executive Session, the Committee will enter into a second Executive Session to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2) because to do so in open session could be detrimental to the position of the School Committee.

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

Motion by Michael J. Dolan, second by Edward F. Dutra, Jr.
Roll call: Estele C. Borges, yes; Louis Borges, Jr., yes; Michael J. Dolan, yes; Edward F. Dutra, Jr., yes; Timothy J. Holick, yes; George L. Randall, III, yes; Joseph M. Zinni, Jr., yes.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

8. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion by Louis Borges, Jr., second by George L. Randall, III
Yes: Louis Borges, Jr., Michael J. Dolan, Edward F. Dutra, Jr., Timothy J. Holick, George L. Randall, III, Joseph M. Zinni, Jr.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy A. Costa
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Documents referenced during the meeting:
Calendar
9/2/26 Regular Meeting Minutes
9/2/26 Personnel Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
Teen dating violence policy mandate
AC-R – Non-Discrimination Policy Including Harassment and Retaliation
Teen Dating Violence Prevention (TDVP)
Teen Dating Violence Policy
Interacting with Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Civil Law Enforcement (Protect Act)
PROTECT Act Administrative Procedures
IJL - Library Materials Selection and Adoption
IJLA - Library Resources
9/3/26 Memorandum from KTG Law Group LLC regarding Freedom to Read Act
Warrant Report
9/11/26 Thank You Letter
Resignations/Retirements
9/16/26 Letter to Chief Walsh
9/24/26 Letter to Patrick Dello Russo
Report of the Superintendent

Student Count Charts
Taunton Gazette article "B-P seeking to keep momentum in 2026"
Taunton Gazette article "B-P has new building, dress code and more"
Additions to 2026-27 School/District Improvement Plan
MCAS Report 2026
FY26 General Fund Budget Closeout
FY27 First Quarter Budget and Expenditure Update