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BERLIN-BOYLSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 13, 2026 | 5:00 pm
Tahanto Regional Middle/High School
Multi-Purpose Room

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The items listed on the agenda may be discussed out of order as the Chair decides due to potential scheduling and timing requirements.

Present: School Committee: Mr. Michael Totman, Chair; Mrs. Elisabeth Mancini, Vice Chair; Mrs. Jessica Deglialberti, Mrs. Meagan Grill, Mrs. Lisa Mair, Mrs. Jackelyn Hoffses

Administration: Dr. Brent Conway, Superintendent; Ms. Jennifer Fortune, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent; Ms. Lisa Sequeira, Director of Curriculum & Grants; Mr. Robert Pelzarski, Boylston Elementary Principal; Mr. Richard Cameron, Tahanto Regional Middle/High School Principal; Mr.Chris Terzigni, Berlin Memorial Principal; Mrs. Ellen Whittemore, Director of Finance and Operations

I. **Call to Order** Mr. Totman called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance**

III. **Public Comment**

IV. **Consent Agenda - A motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Mrs. Hoffses and seconded by Mrs. Mancini. -VOTE, 6-0, all in favor. Motion passes.**
- Warrants
- 09/08/2026 - Meeting Minutes
- 09/25/2026 - Meeting Minutes

V. Dr. Conway asked for a moment of personal privilege where he and Mrs. Mancini recognized this being Mr. Totman and Mrs. Deglialberti's last meeting on the School Committee. They were presented with a plant and each gave a little speech.

VI. <u>School Committee Chair Report</u> - *Mr. Michael Totman*

- Widow's Bay | BBRSD -Emmy Winning Team
    - Mr. Totman gave a brief update on the Emmy winning Widow's Bay series. The reasoning for this is due to Apple TV using Berlin Memorial for extra's, makeup area, and staging of cars. The town of Berlin was used as well for part of the show.

***VII.* <u>Student Liaison Report</u> -** *Miss Lauren Arakelian*

- Miss Arakelian gave some updates on what is happening at Tahanto Regional Middle/High School. A successful Evacuation Drill was completed last week. October 21st, PSATs; Fall Play is taking place October 29, 30, and 31st; October 30, Grades are Closing; October 29th, Haunted Hallway will be hosted; Middle School Halloween Dance is coming up; the school is participating in the River Classroom project; November 17, there will be a blood drive.

***VIII.* <u>Superintendent of Schools Report</u>** - *Dr. Brent Conway*

- Superintendent Update
    - Dr. Conway introduced Mrs. Whittemore, the new Director of Finance and Operations
    - Introduced the new District Treasurer, Cami Lamica
    - Spoke about the Open House at the schools and how there were great turnouts.
    - The Districts Data Specialist, Ms. Bonnie Morin, is retiring, we have posted and are expanding the position into a Data Information Manager position.
    - The Tahanto School Profile has been updated and is posted on our website
    - The District had their first evacuation drill last week which had all schools successful radio communication
    - We are aware of some busing issues, Mrs. Whittemore has been in communications with our transportation company.
    - Mr. Ayala walked the grounds around Tahanto with Dr. Conway to inspect trees on the property
    - Mrs. Whittemore and Dr. Conway purchased a District van last week.
    - Dr. Conway visited Leicester Public School with Boylston Town officials regarding the CTE program. The Town of Boylston may be signing an MOU with Leicester Public Schools for a preferred placement.
- Assabet Valley Collaborative Update | 1st Report
    - Dr. Conway serves on the board, we have been a part of the collaborative but we haven't had someone a part of the board in a while.
- MCAS
    - Dr. Conway gave a brief presentation of the MCAS results.
    - Tahanto was at the 94% percentile while they met 78% of their target.
    - BMS was at the 77% percentile while they met 44% of their target.
    - BES was at the 66% percentile while they met 46% of their target.

IX. **<u>Presentation of School Improvement Plans</u> - A motion to accept the school improvement plan as presented was made by Mrs. Deglialberti and seconded by Mrs. Mair. -VOTE, 6-0, all in favor. Motion passes.**

- Mr. Terzigni, Berlin Memorial School
- Mr. Pelczarski, Boylston Elementary School
- Mr. Cameron, Tahanto Regional Middle/High School

X. **<u>Subcommittee Updates</u>**

- Superintendent Evaluation Subcommittee - *Mrs. Jessica Deglialberti*
  - Mrs. Deglialberti gave a brief update of the subcommittee meeting. She explained how they went over Dr. Conway's timeline and planned for another subcommittee meeting on January 25, 2027 at 12pm.

XI. **<u>Second Public Comment</u>**

XII. **<u>Future Agenda Items</u>**

XIII. **<u>Business Items</u>**

A. Presentation of Superintendent Goals - **A motion to accept the Superintendent goals for this year was made by Mrs. Deglialberti and seconded by Mrs. Hoffses. -VOTE, 6-0, all in favor. Motion passes**

XIV. **<u>Executive Session</u> - A motion to enter executive session in accordance with Mass. G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) the School Committee will meet in executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares –Jane Doe and John Doe, individually and as guardians and next friend of Susie Doe, and Jane Moe and John Moe, individually and as next friend of Stephen Moe, Plaintiffs, v. Berlin Boylston Regional School District, Benjamin Dillman and Cinthia Sykes, Defendants, U.S. District Court (MA), Docket No. 4:26-cv-40119 (MRG) was made by Mrs. Hoffses and seconded by Mrs. Mair**.

<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>
Mrs. Grill - Aye
Mrs. Hoffses - Aye
Mrs. Mancini - Aye
Mrs. Mair - Aye
Mrs. Degliablerti - Aye
Mr. Totman -Aye

VOTE, 6-0, all in favor. Motion passes

XV. **<u>Upcoming Meeting</u>**

- Tuesday, November 10, 2026

XVI. **<u>Adjournment</u> -A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Mair and seconded by Mrs. Grill.**

<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>
Mrs. Grill - Aye
Mrs. Hoffses - Aye
Mrs. Mancini - Aye
Mrs. Mair - Aye
Mrs. Degliablerti - Aye
Mr. Totman -Aye

VOTE, 6-0, all in favor. Motion passes

The listing of items is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may, in fact, be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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