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School, Family, & Community Partnership Committee Minutes February 18, 2026

A meeting of the Bristol Board of Education School, Family and Community Partnership Committee was held on February 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Auditorium and via the Zoom Meeting Platform

PRESENT: Commissioner Barbara Tedesco, Kara Ledger and Jennifer Van Gorder; Chair Shelby Pons (Virtual)

ALSO, PRESENT: Deputy Superintendent Mary Hawk, Erika Treannie, Director of Climate, Culture & Student Services

1. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Tedesco called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Minutes - January 28, 2026 Regular SFCP Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Tedesco called for a motion to approve the January 28, 2026 Regular SFCP Meeting Minutes. The motion was made by Kara Ledger and seconded by Jennifer Van Gorder.

The School, Family, & Community Partnership Committee voted to 2-1, with (1) abstention from Commissioner Jennifer Van Gorder. approve the January 28, 2026, regular meeting minutes as written.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment this evening.

4. Community Partnership

4.1 Dad's Up Front Program Presented by Mr. Morris Patton

Commissioner Tedesco welcomed Mr. Morris Patton who provided an overview of his program that is geared towards fathers of all ages. Mr. Patton's vision and mission is to restore the value of fatherhood so that every child has a present, loving, and nurturing father. Mr. Patton shared that on Saturday January 31, 2026 he held an event at the Boys and Girls club that it was an opportunity for fatherhood advocacy, support and networking. Mr. Patton

shared personal experiences since starting this program about fellow fathers and how he hopes to build the relationship with the education community to ensure that fathers are part of their students' lives and education processes.

Questions and discussion to Mr. Patton about his programming and future goals.

5. SFCP Goal and Action Plan

Commissioner Tedesco, now serving as Chair of the SFCP Committee reviewed the current goal and action plan and would like to create a log to show work completed.

Question and discussion about the future of the SFCP Committee and how working together with Erika Treannie to provide the SFCP Committee with the current partnerships that are involved with Bristol Public Schools.

6. Review Bylaw 9132: Duties and Responsibilities of SFCP

Commissioner Tedesco reviewed Bylaw 9132 and discussed with Commissioner Ledger and Deputy Superintendent Hawk how the SFCP Committee is focused on improving students' social, emotional, and academic outcomes, in alignment with the Committee's previously established goal and action plan as well as the Superintendents goals.

7. Adjournment:

There being no other business before the committee, the School, Family, Community Partnerships Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Recording Secretary

Bristol Board of Education