# BRISTOL BOARD OF EDUCATION FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET WORKSHOP Tuesday, January 26, 2021

A Budget Workshop of the Bristol Board of Education was held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. via the Zoom meeting platform.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners: Eric Carlson, Jennifer Dube, Kristen Giantonio, Thomas O'Brien, Shelby Pons, John Sklenka, Karen Vibert, Allison Wadowski and Christopher Wilson; Dr. Catherine Carbone, Superintendent, Dr. Michael Dietter, Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Sam Galloway, Director of Talent Management, Jill Browne, Business Director, Carly Fortin, Director of Teaching and Learning

Absent: Commissioner John Sklenka

### Call to Order:

Chair Dube called the workshop to order at 6:33 p.m.

As was done last week, Commissioners were informed that the chat feature had been turned off and there would be breaks within the presentation for commissioners to ask questions or discuss a topic.

### **Question and Answer**

Administration answered questions from last week's workshop questions topics included: Budgeting and planning as a 1:1 device district; Certification for PE/Health Teachers; Support for scholars receiving Special Education Services or any scholar negatively impacted by COVID closures; Number of PreK-4 scholars in non-BPS programs; Field Trips; homeless transportation CCSU Interns; Frontline, Securely, PowerSchool & Cylance-City's role; FTE School Climate and Safety support; Did the city give us additional appropriations this year? and What-ifs regarding Claims experience, Grant funds, and cuts.

### Discussion of the Superintendent's 2021-2022 Recommended Budget

Central Office Administration continued the presentation of the 2021-2022 budget. The following topics were covered: an overview of Grant Revenue, the FY 22 Cafeteria Budget, and an overall summary of the Superintendent's Recommended Budget.

Following the presentation, commissioners posed questions regarding moving Kindergarten teachers out of the Alliance Grant and into the General Fund; anticipated participation rate for the cafeteria; the absence of a position for the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; timeline for bringing a principal at MBIAMS and will there be a Dean or Assistant Principal at MBIAMS.

Commissioners will have an opportunity to pose additional questions at the Monday night Special Finance Committee meeting.

## Adjournment

With no other business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned. (8:07 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted: *Susan Everett* Susan Everett Executive Assistant to the Board of Education