

The minutes presented within this document are a summary of the discussion that took place at the Budget Workshop. To view the meeting in its entirety please go to: [February 4, 2025 Budget Workshop Recording](#)

**BRISTOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, February 4, 2025**

A Budget Workshop of the Bristol Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Auditorium and via the Zoom meeting platform.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners: Russell Anderson, Jill Fitzsimons-Bula, Kristen Giantonio, Lorianne Osenkowski, Maria Simmons(virtual), Dante Tagariello, Jennifer Van Gorder and Chair Shelby Pons

**ALSO PRESENT:** Iris White, Acting Superintendent, Lynn Boisvert, Business Director, and Erick Rosengren, Council Liaison

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Eric Carlson

**Call to Order:**

Chair Pons called the workshop to order at 6:01 p.m. and asked the audience to stand for The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Budget Workshop #1 Q and A**

Central Office Administration opened the evening by responding to the questions that had been asked at the first budget workshop which was held on Saturday, January 25, 2025, and commissioner questions that had been received over the past two weeks. Some of the questions answered focused on academic performance metrics, an HQI institute presentation; reducing non-certified staff; accurate benefits reporting; staffing counts; insurance increases; salary to benefits ratio; tuitions for outplaced students; leases/rentals; costs and percentage of reimbursement; cost savings related to school start; transportation for housing insecure student; details regarding unspent grants; Special Education programs and funding explanations; legal fees increase; fiduciary review and oversight, custodial fees; field maintenance, enrollment numbers and conference fees.

**Budget Workshop #2 Presentation**

The administrative team presented the Grant Revenue Review, Alliance Grant Funded staff and grant entitlements.

Commissioners did not have any questions following the presentation, should they have any questions they can email the central office leadership. They will receive a copy of the slide presentation used this evening and it will also be available on the Board of Education's website.

**Adjournment**

With no other business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned. (7:04 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted:



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