

School, Family & Community Partnership Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 21, 2026 6:00 PM

BOE Auditorium and via Zoom Meeting Platform, 129 Church Street, Bristol, CT 06010

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. September 16, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1. Principal Update: Latanya Farrell, Stafford School

4.2. Climate, Culture and Student Services Update

5. ADJOURNMENT



**School, Family, & Community Partnership Committee Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2026**

A meeting of the Bristol Board of Education School, Family and Community Partnership Committee was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Auditorium and via the Zoom Meeting Platform

PRESENT: Commissioner Barbara Tedesco (virtual/in-person), Kara Ledger, Jennifer Van Gorder (virtual) and Chair, Shelby Pons (virtual)

ALSO, PRESENT: Superintendent Iris White, Deputy Superintendent Mary Hawk, Erika Treannie, Director of Climate, Culture & Student Services, Megan Rheiner (Principal of Hubbell Elementary School) and Julia Pahl (Hubbell Elementary School Teacher)

1. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Approval of Minutes -May 20, 2026 Regular SFCP Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Ledger called for a motion to approve the May 20, 2026 Regular SFCP Meeting Minutes. The motion was made by Jennifer Van Gorder and seconded by Barbara Tedesco

The School, Family, & Community Partnership Committee voted unanimously to approve the May 20, 2026, regular meeting minutes as written.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment this evening.

4. School, Family & Community Partnership Updates

4.1 Reviewing Spring District Climate Survey

Commissioner Ledger welcomed Erika Treannie, Director of Climate, Culture & Student Services, who provided the Committee with a review of the Spring District Climate Survey. Ms. Treannie explained that, pursuant to state legislation, the district climate surveys are administered twice annually, in the fall and spring.

Questions and discussion followed regarding the survey data, including whether survey submissions are anonymous and whether the data can be disaggregated by individual school. The Board discussed the importance of utilizing school-level data, when available, to identify areas of need and support continued efforts to improve school climate.

4.2 Community Engagement and Partnership Overview

Commissioner Ledger welcomed Erika Treannie, Director of Climate, Culture & Student Services, who provided the Committee with an overview of current Bristol Public Schools community engagement initiatives and partnerships.

Discussion followed regarding the various community partnerships utilized by Bristol Public Schools to engage, support, and assist students and families.

4.3 Principal Update: Megan Rheiner, Hubbell School

Commissioner Ledger welcomed Megan Rheiner, Principal of Hubbell Elementary School, who introduced Julia Pahl, Hubbell Elementary School Teacher, who assists with school climate and community engagement. The presentation focused on current student enrollment, student engagement, and parent engagement at Hubbell Elementary School.

Questions and discussion followed regarding the connection between TESOL students and chronic absenteeism, including potential barriers to attendance and strategies for supporting students and families.

5. Adjournment:

There being no other business before the committee, the School, Family, Community Partnerships Meeting was motioned to adjourn.

Motion made by Barbara Tedescom and seconded by Jennifer Van Gorder. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sydney Molina
Recording Secretary
Bristol Board of Education



PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

The Bristol Board of Education welcomes public participation in accordance with Policy 1120, Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings. Board meetings are meetings held in public and are not public hearings. Public participation is subject to recognition by the Chairperson and the requirements of Board policy.

A. Public Participation During Meetings

1. **Recognition:** Individuals wishing to speak must address the Chairperson for recognition and state their name, address, and topic.
2. **Speaking Time:** Each speaker is limited to four (4) minutes and may speak only once. Speakers may not transfer their allotted time to another individual or speak on behalf of another person or organized group.
3. **Subject Matter:** Comments should concern matters within the Board's jurisdiction or the topic for which the speaker signed up. The Chairperson may remind speakers of this requirement but shall not restrict or terminate speaking time solely because of the viewpoint expressed or specific subject addressed. Speakers whose comments fall outside the Board's jurisdiction will be advised accordingly, and their comments will be noted for the record.
4. **Public Input:** The Board welcomes and values a variety of perspectives and encourages community members to share their thoughts, questions, and concerns respectfully.
5. **Student Confidentiality and Personnel Matters:** Comments involving confidential student information protected by FERPA are prohibited. Individuals with complaints concerning district personnel are strongly encouraged to use the appropriate administrative chain of command.
6. **Meeting Conduct:** All participants are expected to conduct themselves respectfully and help maintain an orderly meeting. Disruptive behavior, harassment, obscene language, and threats are prohibited. Individuals who disrupt the meeting may be warned and, if the behavior continues, asked to leave.
7. **Board Responses:** Board members do not respond directly to public comments during meetings. The Chairperson or Superintendent may provide brief factual clarification or refer questions and concerns to appropriate district personnel for follow-up.

B. Written Public Comments

Members of the public may submit written comments for distribution to Board members.

1. Email written comments to sydneymolina@bristolk12.org with the subject line **PUBLIC COMMENT-SFCP COMMITTEE**
2. Include your full name, address, and topic.
3. Comments should concern matters within the Board's jurisdiction.
4. Do not include confidential student information protected by FERPA. Complaints involving individual district personnel should be directed through appropriate administrative channels.

5. Comments received by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to Board members before the meeting. Comments received after that time may be distributed following the meeting.
6. Written comments and supporting materials may be made available to Board members but are not automatically read aloud or included on the meeting agenda.

C. Administration of Procedures

The Chairperson is responsible for maintaining order and administering public participation in accordance with Policy 1120. Public participation during consideration of regular agenda items is permitted at the Chairperson's discretion, consistent with Board policy. These procedures are intended to provide clear, consistent guidance and do not supersede Policy 1120 or applicable law.