

The minutes presented within this document are a summary of the discussion that took place at the SFCP Committee Meeting. To view the meeting in its entirety please go to: [3/27/24 - SFCP Meeting Recording](#).



**School, Family, and Community Partnerships Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 27, 2024**

A meeting of the Bristol Board of Education School, Family, and Community Partnership Committee was held on March 27, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Conference Room 36 and via the Zoom Meeting Platform.

**PRESENT:** Committee members: Maria Simmons, Jill Fitzsimons-Bula, Jennifer Van Gorder

**ALSO PRESENT:** Commissioners present: Kristen Giantonio (zoom), Lorianne Osenkowski, Shelby Pons, and Dr. Michael Dietter, Dr. Catherine Carbone, and Mr. Brian Burke (zoom).

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M.

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

On a motion by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Van Gorder, the minutes from February 28, 2024, were approved.

**3. Public Comment:**

There was no public comment this evening.

**4. Activating Well-Being:**

Commissioner Simmons discussed Activating Well-Being and made points about putting relationships first and thinking about how we want to spend our time together. She opened with an icebreaker by having the group share a favorite song and also gave out prizes.

**5. Report on Afterschool Programs Funded by Grants:**

Dr. Carbone reviewed the list of Afterschool Programs funded by Grants. The list included the After School Grant Funded Clubs and the Wraparound Supports offered through grants and listed per school. There was discussion around the

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21C vs clubs and discussed the idea of having the Parks and Recreation Department involved in applying for and overseeing 21C grants in the future.

**6. Relational Practices:**

Commissioner Simmons gave a quick summary of Relational Practices and discussed ideas on how to collaborate with others and where we can most serve the community. After a discussion with the group, it was realized that this agenda item is nicely tied into agenda item #7 because the Family/School Partnership Strategic Plan Leadership Institute will help plan this agenda item.

**7. Family/School Partnership Strategic Plan Leadership Institute:**

Dr. Carbone discussed Learning Heros and the Parent-centered approach, a collaborative approach that will tie nicely into our Communication goal. We will continue to discuss this in future meetings.

**8. Adjournment:**

The School, Family, Community Partnership Meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. by Commissioner Simmons.

Submitted by:

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