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BRISTOL COMMUNITY COLLEGE NAMES NEW DEAN OF THE BCC TAUNTON CENTER

Robert Rezendes, of Westport, Mass., has been appointed Dean of the Bristol Community College Taunton Center. He earned a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth; a Master of library and information studies at the University of Rhode Island, South Kingstown, Rhode Island; and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in educational leadership and policy studies at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

As Dean of the BCC Taunton center, Rezendes will oversee and foster the continued expansion of the center. He will provide day-to-day management and administrative oversight of all programs, services, staffing, and budgeting related to the operation of the Taunton center serving a growing population of nearly a thousand students.

An employee of Bristol Community College for more than 20 years, Bob is well known throughout the BCC Community. In 1996, he was hired as the coordinator of circulation and interlibrary loans, a position he held until 2003, when he became an access services librarian. In 2010, he became the assistant director of library services, and in 2013, was selected to lead all BCC libraries, serving as associate dean of library services. In addition to those duties, in 2015, he served as acting dean of the BCC New Bedford campus.

Rezendes has served the college in a variety of leadership positions, including serving as a NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) co-chair, and since 2007, has served as chair of the college's Budget Committee. In recent years, he has also served as a driving force in the development of BCC's growing open educational resources. He

has also been a regional and statewide leader in professional organizations, serving on the board of directors and as president of the SAILS Library Network, and as president of the Massachusetts Commonwealth Consortium of Libraries in Public Higher Education Institutions.

He begins his new duties as the dean of the BCC Taunton center on May 27, 2018.

About Bristol Community College

Bristol Community College is a leading resource for education and workforce development in Southeastern Massachusetts. BCC has locations in Fall River, Attleboro, New Bedford, and Taunton, along with flexible online offerings that lead to an associate degree, a career-ready certificate, or the ability to seamlessly transfer to baccalaureate colleges throughout the state and country.

The College's Center for Workforce and Community Education provides customized training for businesses and the community including healthcare, workforce and sustainable initiatives, and corporate services.

The BCC Foundation, a non-profit organization utilizing community donations and partnerships, supports the College's mission to meet the lifelong educational needs of the community. For more information, visit <http://www.bristolcc.edu/about>.