

**Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors
Minutes**

DATE: October 23, 2018

Place: The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus

Time: 7:00 p.m

In attendance: ~~Heather Ahern-Huish,~~ Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, ~~Lisa Laffin,~~ Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde (arrived at 7:08), Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Lidie Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Iris Silverstein, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, ~~Chris Marshall,~~ Hallie Pike

Also present: Monique Poulin, James Black, Nichole Goodspeed, ~~Tracy Williams,~~ Keith Acedo, ~~Melissa Williams,~~ Andy Hutchins, Glenn Kapiloff, Jonathan Chalmers, ~~Richard Joseph,~~ Katie Duchesne, John Jones, ~~Gynthia Bernstein,~~ Laura Columbia

<p>Amended Agenda- A second executive session has been added to the end of the agenda.</p>

- I. Call to Order
- II. 7:02
- III. Pledge
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
 - A. The state has recently received funding for mental health services. Currently, funds are going towards RSU 10, Calais and Waterboro. RSU 9 recognized that need two years and hope to access funds in the future.
 - B. Attendance at Forestry Conference to expand the industry.
- A. Good news stories from Board/Administrators
 - a. Mock election at CBS went well.
 - b. Red Ribbon Week at MBMS.
 - c. Safety Forum at MBC 10/24
 - d. Mock Election at MBC will be next week.
 - e. MBC Update on Sports:
 - i. Field Hockey will play Skowhegan in the Eastern Maine Regional Championship Game at Thomas College.
 - ii. Boys Soccer will play at Brunswick High School in a Quarter-Final playoff game.
 - iii. Varsity Football plays a Quarter-Final Game at Lawrence HS. The Cheer Team will also be at this game.
 - iv. Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams have qualified to compete in the Class A State Championship at Belfast.
 - f. Adult Ed completed substitute teaching training and CDL certification class has started.
 - g. Doug Dunlap shared visit of English Literature class.

- B. The resignation of Board member
 - a. Heather Ahern-Huish resigned.
 - b. Town of Farmington hopes to appoint an applicant on November 13th and will serve until March.
 - c. The application is available on the town website.

V. Public Comment

- A. Request to have Safety Forum prior to school drills was requested.

VI. Consent Agenda

- A. Resignations
- B. Consideration of Committee Minutes
 - i. Operations Committee minutes from October 16, 2018
 - ii. Personnel and Finance Committee minutes from October 16, 2018
- C. Consideration of the Board minutes from October 9, 2018

<p>Motion to approve consent agenda.</p>	<p>Yeas: 14</p> <p>Nays: 0</p> <p>Vote: unanimous</p>	<p>Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Angie LeClair</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>
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VI. Committee/Board Reports

- A. Operations

Jeff Harris updated on current work that is being completed and Dick Bjorn has expressed interest in expanding the foster tech program. A long-term facility plan will be one of the Operation's Committee's Goals

Doug Dunlap shared the idea of teaming with local solar farm and the district. As well as some of our schools being close to the biomass facility. Suggested looking at additional people for bus drivers.
- B. Personnel and Finance

Irv Faunce reported meeting with the new accountant, as well as reviewing our grants and management of grants.

Kris Pottle reviewed Board Expense Report. Technology lines are being watched.

 - i. Adult Ed work agreement has been created and ready to be signed.

VII. New Business

- A. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve
 - a. Safety Forum update and goals.
 - b. Community Health Forum on 10/25 at MBC

- c. Assessment Data has been released and is beginning to be analyzed by the administration. Reports will be provided to the Board next month.
- d. Committee (Operation and Finance) change to November 19th (instead of the 20th)
- e. Bullying Prevention Month and each administrator has reported to Superintendent what they are doing to work on bullying. Teachers and students are involved in prevention at each school.
- f. A board member asked a question on how to add an item to a board agenda. Request are sent to Tina Meserve and/or Cherieann Harrison for consideration. Request will be placed on board agenda, committee agenda or referred to administration. Superintendent and Board Chair create the agenda for the school board.
- g. Tina Meserve reviewed enrollment changes, opened tech positions, and impact on students.
- h. Confidentiality & FERPA
Tina Meserve updated the board on the recent training of administration on Confidentiality and FERPA laws. Privacy rights of teachers and students were reviewed.

VIII. Executive session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(F) Information in confidential records; discussion or review

<p>Motion to enter into Executive session under 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(F) Information in confidential records; discussion or review</p>	<p>Yeas: 12</p> <p>Nays: 1 (Craig Stickney)</p> <p>Jesse Sillanpaa abstained</p> <p>Vote: 12:1:1(752/74/50)</p>	<p>Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Angie LeClair</p> <p>Motion passed</p>
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Craig Stickney left after vote to go into executive session: 7:53.

Executive session

Returned to public session:

<p>Motion to deny requested leave</p>	<p>Yeas: Lidie Robbins, Doug Dunlap, Jeff Harris, Irv Faunce, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith</p> <p>Nays: Scott Erb, Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Betsy Hyde, Angie LeClair, Tami Labul, Iris Silverstein,</p> <p>Vote: 6:7(338/464)</p>	<p>Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Jesse Sillanpaa</p> <p>Motion: Failed</p>
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<p>Motion to approve requested leave without pay.</p>	<p>Yeas: Scott Erb, Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Betsy Hyde, Angie LeClair, Tami Labul, Iris Silverstein,</p> <p>Nays: Lidie Robbins, Doug Dunlap, Jeff Harris, Irv Faunce, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith</p> <p>Vote: 7:6(446/336)</p>	<p>Motion: Angie LeClair Seconded: Betsy Hyde</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>
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IX. Executive session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees

<p>Motion to enter into Executive session under 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees</p>	<p>Yeas: all present (Lidie Robbins, Doug Dunlap, Jeff Harris, Irv Faunce, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Scott Erb, Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Betsy Hyde, Angie LeClair, Tami Labul, Iris Silverstein)</p> <p>Nays:</p> <p>Vote: unanimous</p>	<p>Motion: Angie LeClair Seconded: Debbie Smith</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>
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Returned to the public session:

X. Adjournment: 9:30 pm

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

November 13, 2018-7:00pm-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus
November 27, 2018-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Educational Policy Committee-October 30, 2018-6:30pm-Chef's Table-Mt. Blue Campus
Operations Committee-November 19, 2018-6:00pm-Chef's Table
Personnel & Finance Committee-November 19, 2018-7:00pm-Central Office Conference Room