

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

## **Minutes**

**DATE:** December 8, 2020

**Place:** Zoom

**Time:** 6:30pm

**Meeting Video:** <https://vimeo.com/488929725>

**In attendance:** Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Chericann Harrison, Betsey Hyde, ~~J. Wayne Kinney~~, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, ~~Whitney Fraser~~

**Also present:** Keith Acedo, Nancy Allen, Cynthia Bernstein, James Black, Chad Brackett, Jeff Brazee, Laura Columbia, ~~Todd Demmons~~, Katie Duchesne, Nichole Goodspeed, ~~William Greenlaw~~, ~~Andy Hutchins~~, John Jones, ~~Richard Joseph~~, Kris Pottle, Monique Poulin, Lisa Sinclair, ~~Joel Smith~~, Melissa Williams, Tracy Williams

- I. Call to Order at 6:33 pm
- II. Pledge
- III. Public Comment
  - A. Vicky Cohen - Farmington, teacher in RSU 9, comment regarding interim superintendent and a team approach for leadership
  - B. Matt Wotton - Farmington, comment regarding the need for clear expectations for students on school cancellation/storm days
  - C. Nicky Ball - teacher, shoutout to the leadership at her school.
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
  - A. Updates
    1. Committee meetings will be next Tuesday, please email any questions to the board chair.
  - B. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
    1. Nancy Allen - Adult Ed Director, reported on the updates to the older portable and the work being accomplished.
    2. Debbie Smith - messaged staff, and reported the positive responses.
    3. Monique Poulin - principal at MBC, gave a shout out to the graduation committee.
    4. Laura Columbia - director of curriculum, reported on all of the good work the nursing team is doing to help keep our kids safe and in school.
    5. Chad Brackett - shared that an MBC student, Mason Biello was chosen as a kicker to go to the national conference.
- V. Superintendent's Report - Tina Meserve
  - A. [New Hires - Transfers - Resignations](#)
- VI. Presentations
  - A. [Year to Date Financial Report](#) (July - Nov 2020) - Kris Pottle
  - B. [Winter Sports Update](#) - Chad Brackett/Laura Columbia/Tina Meserve

VII. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes from [November 24, 2020](#)
- B. Minutes from [December 1, 2020](#)

<p>Motion to approve consent agenda</p>	<p>Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney                  Nays: 0                  Abstained: 0                  Vote: 13:0:0 (814:0:0)</p>	<p>Motion: Lisa Laflin                  Seconded: Scott Erb                  Motion: Passed</p>
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VIII. Committee Reports

- 1. Operations - none
- 2. Personnel & Finance - none
- 3. Educational Policy - none
- 4. Drop-out Prevention - none

IX. New Business

- A. Winter Sports

<p>Motion to move forward with the Winter Sports season as proposed by the Maine Principals' Association (MPA)</p>	<p>Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Betsy Hyde                  Nays: 0                  Abstained: 0                  Vote: 14:0:0 (843:0:0)</p>	<p>Motion: Jeff Harris                  Seconded: Debbie Smith                  Motion: Passed</p>
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No discussion

- B. JJJ-R/J.H.-Sports Physical Requirements

<p>Motion to grant a one-year waiver to the student athlete physical requirement due to COVID-19.</p>	<p>Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney</p>	<p>Motion: Kirk Doyle                  Seconded: Craig Stickney                  Motion: Passed</p>
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	Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 13:0:0 (814:0:0)	
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No discussion

C. JJIC-Eligibility Requirements: Extra- and Co-Curricular Participation

Motion to approve modifications to the eligibility requirements for extra- and co-curricular participation for the second quarter as proposed by the administration.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 13:0:0 (814:0:0)	Motion: Doug Dunlap Seconded: Scott Erb Motion: Passed
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No discussion

X. Executive Session

Motion to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(A) Discussion or consideration of the employment, appointment, assignment, duties, promotion, demotion, compensation, evaluation, disciplining, resignation or dismissal of an individual or group of public officials, appointees or employees of the body or agency	Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 13:0:0 (814:0:0)	Motion: Jeff Harris Seconded: Jesse Sillanpaa Motion: Passed
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Entered Executive Session: 7:22 pm

Exited Executive Session: 8:16pm

Motion to authorize the board chair to negotiate with the candidate for the interim	Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris,	Motion: Jeff Harris Seconded: Craig Stickney Motion:
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superintendent position in accordance with the terms discussed in the executive session	Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 13:0:0 (814:0:0)	
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XI. Adjourn

Angie LeClair motioned to adjourn with no objection. Motion passed.

Adjourn: 8:19 pm

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

Dec. 15, 2020 - 6:30pm - Location TBD

Jan. 12, 2021 - 6:30pm - Location TBD

Jan. 26, 2021 - 6:30pm - Location TBD

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Operations - Dec. 15, 2020 - 5:00pm - Location TBD

Personnel & Finance - Dec. 15, 2020 - 5:45pm - Location TBD

Educational Policy - Dec. 15, 2020 - 7:00pm - Location TBD