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

**Minutes**

**DATE: February 27, 2018**

**Place: Mt. Blue Campus- Forum**

**Time: 6:30 p.m.**

**In attendance:**  Jennifer Zweig Hebert, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb,  Irv Faunce, Richard Hargreaves~~, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde~~, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Robert Patterson, Lidie Robbins,  Iris Silverstein, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, ~~Joe Crandall~~, Griffin Mayhew, ~~Chris Marshall~~, Hallie Pike

**Also present:**  Monique Poulin, James Black, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams, Darlene Paine, Keith Acedo, Melissa Williams, ~~Andy Hutchins,~~ Glenn Kapiloff, Jonathan Chalmers~~, Richard Joseph, Katie Duchesne~~, Christine Gatto-Shea, ~~Cynthia Bernstein~~, Laura Columbia

1. Call to Order at 6:36 p.m.
2. Pledge
3. Consideration of the Minutes of February 13, 2018

Motion: Irving Faunce Second:  Cherieann Harrison

Vote: Unanimous

1. Consideration of the Minutes of February 15, 2018

Motion: Irving Faunce  Second: Cherieann Harrison

Vote: 8-4 (494/234) (Abstain:Lidie Robbins, Tami Labul, Jen Zweig-Hebert, Doug Dunlap)

1. Report of the Chairperson
2. Good news stories from Board/Admin

Mt. Blue Boys X-C ski Team are state champions. This is their fourth of fifth consecutive year as state champs.

Cherieann Harrison- Mara Black, MB Indoor Track member, placed 7th in the 55 meter event in the state championships.

Doug Dunlap had a nice visit at AHS. Scott Erb was volunteering there at that time.

Monique Poulin shared that Kyla LeGrand, senior at MBC, organized a Civil Rights/Racial Justice panel as part of her internship with Maine People's Alliance. She invited several speakers to present on their experiences, and teachers signed up to attend with their students. It was an informative and educational experience for all involved.

Dr. Tom attended the state wrestling meet in Sanford and our young team did very well. One wrestler, Jagger Bullen, placed in the top four and qualified for the New Englands.

Laura Columbia shared that Jake Bogar has been nominated for Franklin County Teacher of the Year.

  VI. Public Comment

Nancy Porter- tried to watch the live stream of the last meeting and could not hear due to folks not using the microphones.

She also is disappointed in the survey about the superintendent’s position.

  VII. Old Business

1. Personnel

New Hires-FYI

Ben Davis JV Baseball Coach MBHS

Matt Reynolds JV Boys Lacrosse Coach MBHS

Resign-

Griffin Conlogue Ed Tech III MBMS

Lisa Goucher School Lunch MBMS

Retire-

Carolyn (Kim) Fast Title I Teacher MBMS

 VIII. New Business

1. Maine Integrated Youth Health Survey Presentation-Lorri Brown and Katherine Lemieux shared the results of the MBC/Franklin County survey. This survey asked questions about safety at home and risky behaviors of students. 478 students responded to the survey. One positive piece of information is that 93% of MBC students feel safe at school, which was one of the highest in the state.The Healthy Community Coalition is concerned about the mixed messages around marijuana. Students perceive it as very low risk. Prime for Life is a program/resource that the HCC has shared with the middle and high school administrators.
2. Betsey Hyde arrived at 6:55, Scott Erb arrived at 7:06
3. Board Committee Reports-                 Finance-Kris is preparing the final report of the audit.             Drop-Out Prevention-                 Policy- met 2/26/18 very close to finalizing the new co and extra curricular policy first reading ready in two weeks.

Administrative Evaluation-meets Thursday, 3/1. They are still seeking input from staffs.

Negotiations-will meet 2/28 and things are going well.

1. Superintendent’s Report-Dr. Thomas J. Ward mentioned that the board will need to decide whether they want a full-time Curriculum Coordinator or a CC/Assistant Supt.

  IX. Budget Workshop

**Review of the Increased Positions Proposed by RSU 9 Administrative Team**

Update on Elementary Alternative Ed Program

Class-size Reduction Teacher moved from Grant money to local budget.

50% ASL Teacher

50% Science Teacher

FRATC with the Bjorn Donation

½ Composites Teacher

Pre Engineering Teacher

Forestry Ed Tech III to Teacher

Plumbing Ed Tech III to Teacher

Program Ed Tech III

Teacher Evaluation Stipends

Special Services increases

Accountant to the Business Office

50% Nurse

Freshman Coaches

Robotics Coach

Dr. Tom shared that next Tuesday the administrators will share final minimal needs of students.

He also shared what occurred regarding the threat at the middle school today.

    X. Adjournment at 8:38

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**March 6, 2018-6:30pm-Board Business/Budget Meeting-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**March 13, 2018-6:30pm-Board Business/Budget Meeting-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Policy- February 26, 2018-5:00pm-Chef’s Table-Mt. Blue Campus**

**Administrative Evaluation-March 1, 2018-6:00pm-Central Office**