

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

**DATE: February 25, 2020**

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

**Time: 6:30pm**

**In attendance:** Carol Coles, ~~Cherieann Harrison~~, Kirk Doyle, ~~Doug Dunlap~~, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, ~~Jeff Harris~~, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Olivia Schanck, Riley Drummond, Whitney Fraser, Alejandro Magdelano

**Also present:** Monique Poulin, James Black, Keith Acedo, Lisa Sinclair, Melissa Williams, ~~Andy Hutchins~~, ~~Jonathan Chalmers~~, ~~Richard Joseph~~, ~~Katie Duchesne~~, ~~Todd Demmons~~, ~~Joel Smith~~, John Jones, ~~Cynthia Bernstein~~, ~~Laura Columbia~~, ~~Kris Pottle~~, ~~Chad Brackett~~, Darcy Dunphy, Ray Therrien, Nichole Goodspeed, ~~Tracy Williams~~

- I. Call to Order: 6:30PM by Irv Faunce
- II. Pledge
- III. Public Comment
  - A. Marcia Donald wanted to know an update on the live streaming of Board meetings. Tina reported that we are in the process of updating the sound system. We are also testing out a cost-effective way of recording our meetings. We have a quote from an outside group to stream the meetings. The board will discuss the next steps during the budget process but it's looking good to start recording again by next year.
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
  - A. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
    1. Melissa Williams shared that Foster CTE center's Forestry and Wood Harvesting program is offering new programs and more certifications. The Foster Tech Electrical program was accepted to be housed at Spruce Mountain High School starting the 20/21 school year. The newspaper included an insert highlighting Foster Tech programs recently.
    2. Mr. Ryder created tokens to invite people to the SIC.
    3. Girls Alpine and Nordic Teams won the Class A State Championships as well as the Sportsmanship Awards.
    4. For the first time all classes A,B,C raced together at Titcomb. Emma Charles won the State meet and qualified for the Junior Nationals.
- V. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve

- A. Hires and Retirements-four new hires, one retirement
- B. Strategic Planning Update-Logo selection is in progress, the Board is comfortable with a subgroup choosing the final logo. News and invitations will go out with the logos soon. The survey will include open-ended questions to gain quality feedback from constituents. Wayne and Debbie will work with Tina to determine any other questions that might be asked.
- C. Fuel Bid Results-\$2.059 for regular fuel, \$2.459 Kerosene, Diesel \$2.109
- D. Bus Purchase Notification-Purchased a white 14 passenger van for FTC for 57,500. This was paid for by the Bjorn funds.
- E. Substitute Update-Sue Pratt will continue working two days a week through the end of the school year.
- F. Financial Audit Extension - Audit report is in and we are working to have a presentation in March.

Motion to bring the audit to the full Board for presentation	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Jesse Sillanpaa Motion: Passed
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VI. Presentations-None

VII. Consent Agenda

- A. Board meeting minutes from February 11, 2020

Motion to approve consent agenda with the change in spelling of the name.	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Debbie Smith Seconded: Lisa Laflin Motion: Passed
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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. Robotics field trip request

Motion to approve the Robotics field trip	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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- B. Dissolve policy CAA Superintendent's Evaluation Procedure Criteria

Motion to dissolve policy CAA Superintendent's Evaluation Procedure Criteria	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Lisa Laflin Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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C. Electrical Trades Satellite Program Approval

Motion to approve the Electrical Trades Satellite Program at Spruce Mountain	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Jesse Sillanpaa Seconded: Dennis O'Neil Motion: Passed
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D. Solar Array Contract

1. Discussion by the Board about the percentage, stay at 80% or go up to 85% or 90%.

Motion to postpone the vote until Agnieszka Dixon can be contacted about changing the purchase percentage.	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Jesse Sillanpaa Motion: Passed
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- X. Executive Session - 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E) to consult with legal counsel  
No action taken

- XI. Executive session- 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) employment of an employee

Time entered: 8:03 pm

Motion to enter into Executive Session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A) employment of an employee	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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Time exited: 8:39

Motion to authorize the Superintendent to sign MOU with the employee as discussed in executive session.	Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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<p>I move that the Vote entitled, "Vote to Authorize Long-Term Solar Power Purchase," to be adopted in form presented to this meeting.</p>	<p>Yeas: Lisa Laflin, Irv Faunce, Debbie Smith, and Kirk Doyle</p> <p>Nays: Carol Coles, Dennis O'Neil, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J. Wayne Kinney, and Craig Stickney</p> <p>Abstained: None Vote: 222/545</p>	<p>Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Lisa Laflin Motion: Failed</p>
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<p>Motion to approve vote and amend percent from 80% to 90% and direct the Superintendent to update.</p>	<p>Yeas: Betsey Hyde, Dennis O'Neil, J. Wayne Kinney, Josh Robbins, Tami Labul, and Angie LeClair</p> <p>Nays: Craig Stickney, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Irv Faunce, Carol Coles, Lisa Laflin, and Kirk Doyle</p> <p>Abstained: 0 Vote: 386/381</p>	<p>Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: J. Wayne Kinney Motion: Passed</p>
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XII. Adjourn 9:15 pm

<p>Motion to adjourn</p>	<p>Yeas: All Present Nays: None Abstained: None Vote: Unanimous</p>	<p>Motion: Angie LeClair Seconded: J. Wayne Kinney Motion: Passed</p>
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**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

- March 10, 2020-6:30pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus
- March 24, 2020-6:30pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

- Budget Committee-February 26, 2020-9:00am-4:30pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus
- Budget Committee-March 6, 2020-9:00am-4:00pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus
- Operations- March 3, 2020-5:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus
- Personnel & Finance- March 3, 2020-6:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus
- Educational Policy-March 3, 2020-7:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus

