

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

**DATE: April 23, 2019**

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

**Time: 6:30pm**

**In attendance:** Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, ~~Scott Erb~~, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde (arrived at 6:34) , Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, ~~Ryan Morgan~~, Lidie Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Iris Silverstein, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, ~~Chris Marshall~~, ~~Hallie Pike~~, Olivia Schank, Riley Drummond

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

- I. Call to Order at 6:30 pm
- II. Pledge
- III. Report of the Chairperson
  - A. Good news stories from Board/Administrators
    1. General
      - a) During the legislature visit board members present and staff shared successes and struggles of RSU 9. Legislative members included:  
Dennis Keschl R - Rep - Vienna  
Russell Black R - Senator - All of Franklin County  
Randy Hall R - Rep - Chesterville, Industry, New Vineyard, Strong, Temple, Wilton  
Scott Landry - Rep- Farmington and New Sharon  
Ryan Angelo - Staff Assistant from Susan Collins  
Daniel Chuhta - Deputy Commissioner DOE  
Ben Tucker - Representative from Angus King  
After meeting the group toured MBC. Admin negotiations are still continuing.
      - b) James Black shared the Spring sports' season has started and has high participation.
      - c) Doug Dunlap shared his experience with the ASL event held at MBC and a large number of students participating.
      - d) Jonathan Chalmers shared that RSU9 hosted Maine Association of Pupil Transportation regional conference last Friday. RSU9 bus

drivers ranked number one in Team Skills Award with Eric Jones, Nancy Richardson, Ken Walter's placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd respectively in the transit division and Andrea Wing placing 2nd in the conventional division.

- e) Irv Faunce was recently trained and acting as a guardian ad litem for students in the court system.
- f) Monique Poulin shared an upcoming event, Empty Bowls, to help benefit local food pantries distributed by the United Way. As well as the Mud Bowl Improv Show.
- g) Melissa Williams shared that an FTC ed tech recently earned her bus driver's license. As well as FTC student of the year was selected, Mat Otte.

2. Presentation: Monique Poulin & Patti Millette - Geological Society of America

- a) Students from Patti Millette's current and past Honors Earth Science class reported on their research in Flint Woods.

IV. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve

- A. A truant student at CCHS was reported, 3 truancy letters mailed, 4 home visits, transportation, well child check was performed, as well as create plans for students to come to school was created by principal, Lisa Sinclair.

V. Public Comment

- A. Public comment was heard regarding live streaming and more information of the status of that, as well as copiers and printers available at MBHS.

VI. Presentation: State of Schools: Foster Career & Technical Education Center

- A. Melissa Williams shared Foster Career and Technical Center State of the Schools report.

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Dropout Prevention Committee

- 1. Carol Coles shared the data and resources that the Dropout Prevention Committee reviews.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. New Hire/Transfer/Resignation
- B. Consideration of the Board minutes from April 2, 2019
- C. Consideration of the Personnel & Finance Committee meeting minutes April 2, 2019

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| Motion to approve consent agenda | Yeas: all present<br>Nays: none | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Angie LeClair |
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|  | Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Passed |
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IX. New Business

A. To approve 2019-2020 Budget

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| Motion to set the 2019-2020 budget amount at: \$37,125,036 | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Angie LeClair<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to set the 2019-2020 Adult Ed budget at \$457,773 | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Tami Labul<br>Seconded: Angie LeClair<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to have the Annual Budget meeting on May 28, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium at Mt. Blue Campus | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Angie LeClair<br>Seconded: Betsey Hyde<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to have the budget Referendum on June 11, 2019 | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Angie LeClair<br>Seconded: Jeff Harris<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to have open articles at the May 28th annual budget meeting | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Iris Silverstein<br>Seconded: Betsey Hyde<br>Motion: Passed |
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Interlocal Agreement for the Western Maine Regional Service Center

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| Motion to add the Interlocal Agreement for the Western Maine Regional Service Center to the budget meeting warrant. | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Lisa Laflin<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to add an additional article to the warrant that allows authorization of the school board to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the school board and/or decrease the local cost share expectation for local property taxpayers for funding public education. | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Angie LeClair<br>Seconded: Tami Labul<br>Motion: Passed |
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B. To approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar

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| Motion to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Debbie Smith<br>Seconded: Jeff Harris<br>Motion: Passed |
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C. To appoint teachers to a 2nd or 3rd-year probationary contract or continuing contract

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| Motion to approve 2nd and 3rd-year probationary contracts or continuing contracts | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Betsey Hyde<br>Seconded: Angie Leclair<br>Motion: Passed |
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**2nd Year Probationary Contract for the 2019-2020 school year:**

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| Drew Blanchett          | MBMS      | Alicea Merrill     | MBC         |
| Griffin Conlogue        | MBMS      | Dean Merrill       | MBC-CTE     |
| Mindy Cousineau         | Mallett   | Kyle Minear        | MBC-CTE     |
| Sarita Crandall         | MBMS      | Jacob Perry        | CBS         |
| Brooke Cushing          | Mallett   | Mary Redmond-Luce  | MBC-CTE     |
| Carly Georgen           | Mallett   | Kasey Richards     | CCH         |
| Erica Grimaldi          | MBMS      | Jake Roberts       | MBC         |
| Thomas Harrison         | MBC - CTE | Gina Rondinone     | CBS         |
| Ashley Hinkley          | AHS       | Rebecca Sanchez    | MBMS        |
| Heather Ingraham-Quimby | MBMS      | Kendra Stenger     | AHS/CBS/CCH |
| Chantel Kemp            | CBS       | Janneke Strickland | CBS         |
| Zachary Mayo            | MBMS      | Mark Witham        | MBC-CTE     |

**3rd Year Probationary Contract for the 2019-2020 school year:**

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| Nienke Adamse      | MBC     | Kathleen Joseph   | MBC     |
| Alexandria Butler  | CCH     | Tracy Knapp       | MBMS    |
| Pamela Chernesky   | MBC     | Kenneth Labrecque |         |
| AHS/CBS/MBMS       |         |                   |         |
| Zachary Conlogue   | MBC     | Kali Lander       | Mallett |
| Catherine Dennis   | CBS     | Abigail Smith     | AHS     |
| Kathryn Desjardins | Mallett | Rodney Spiller    | MBC-CTE |
| Kayla Girardin     | MBMS    | Sherry Wyman      | MBMS    |

**1st Year Continuing Contract for the 2019-2020 school year:**

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| Suzanne Abbott  | MBMS/CCH        | Adrienne Davis     | MBC     |
| Andre Belanger  | Mt. Abram - CTE | Kimberly Gurney    | MBMS    |
| Sylvia Brooks   | CBS             | Allisyn Libby      | Mallett |
| Olivia Brown    | CBS             | Cameron McAllister | CBS     |
| Tyler Brown     | MBC             | Katherine Spahr    | CCH     |
| Erika Burns     | CBS             | Thomas Woodbury    | MBC     |
| Ericka Conlogue | AHS/Cushing     |                    |         |

D. Kris Pottle reviewed the Financial Statement

E. To approve Second Readings

1. KF Community Use of School Facilities
2. KF-RI Community Use of School Facilities-Regulations

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| Motion to approve KF Community Use of School Facilities and KF-RI Community Use of School Facilities Regulations | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion:Angie LeClair<br>Seconded: Debbie Smith<br>Motion: Passed |
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F. To approve Robotics Field Trip Request

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| Motion to attend an Aerospace Festival. | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion:Doug Dunlap<br>Seconded: Angie LeClair<br>Motion: Passed |
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X. Executive session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees

Enter into executive session: 8:24 pm

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| Motion to enter into Executive session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Jeff Harris<br>Seconded: Betsey Hyde<br>Motion: Passed |
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Return to public session: 8:42 pm

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| Leave Request #1<br>Motion to: approve leave request #1 without pay | Yeas: Irv Faunce, Jeff Harrison, Lisa Laflin, Debbie Smith, Cherieann Harrison, Betsy Hyde, Angie LeClair, Tammy Labul, Iris Silverstein,<br><br>Nays: Lidie Robbins, Jesse Silanpaa, Craig Stickney, Doug Dunlap, Carol Coles<br><br>Abstained:<br>Vote: 9:5 (559:274) | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Tami Labul<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Leave Request #2<br>Motion to: approve leave request #2 without pay | Yeas: All present<br>Nays: none<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Debbie Smith<br>Motion: Passed |
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| Motion to extend meeting until 9:00 pm | Yeas: All others present<br>Nays: Lidie Robbins<br>Abstained: none<br>Vote: 14:0 (833:0) | Motion: Irv Faunce<br>Seconded: Debbie Smith<br>Motion: Passed |
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Leave request issues and process discussed. Board members request to place this topic on the next board agenda.

XI. Adjourn 9:00pm

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

April 30, 2019-6:30pm-Board Meeting-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus  
May 14, 2019-6:30pm-Board Meeting-The Forum at Mt Blue Campus  
May 28, 2019-7:00pm-District Budget Meeting-Bjorn Auditorium at Mt. Blue Campus

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Personnel & Finance Committee- April 23, 2019-5:45 pm-Central Office Conf. Rm. at Mt. Blue Campus  
Educational Policy Committee- April 25, 2019-6:00pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus  
Operations Committee-April 30, 2019-7:30pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus