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

**Minutes**

**DATE: August 12, 2014**

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

**Time: 7:00 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:** Mark Prentiss, Clair Andrews, James Black, Ken Charles, Ross Clair, Nancy Crosby, ~~Richard Hargreaves~~, (E), Jennifer Zweig Hebert, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angela LeClair , Jennifer Pooler, ~~Yvette Robinson~~ (E), Iris Silverstein, Keith Swett, Helen Wilkey, JT Williams, and Autumn Clair

**Also Present** ~~Keith Acedo~~ (E), Darcy Dunphy, Nichole Goodspeed, Glenn Kapiloff, David Leavitt, Bruce Mochamer, Gary Oswald, Darlene Paine, Christine Gatto-Shea, Tracy Williams, Ben Milster

I. Call to Order by Mark Prentiss at 7:02 p.m.

II. Consideration of the Minutes of July 8, 2014

Motion to approve: Keith Swett Seconded: Helen Wilkey

Vote: 11/0/1 (Angie LeClair) (683/74)

III. Executive Session-Personnel Title § 405 (6)(A)

Motion to enter executive session: Angie LeClair Seconded: Betsey Hyde

Vote: Unanimous (757)

Entered executive session at 7:05 p.m.

Exited at 7:21 p.m.

Jennifer Zweig Hebert entered at 7:06 p.m.

IV. Report of the Chairperson

1. Good news stories from Board/Admin.

Bruce Mochamer shared that the Extended Year Program had 63 students in attendance. 76.5 credits were recovered.

Glenn Kapiloff shared that a former student at Foster CTE Center will begin USM and was able to transfer 8 college credits because of the dual enrollment option.

V. Old Business

Personnel

New Hires-

Jennie Mirlocca ½ Pre-K Teacher Mallett School

Kimberly Huntley ½ time School Nurse Wilton

Lorna Collins CNA Instructor Foster Tech. Center

Julie Goucher School Lunch Worker Academy Hill/Cushing

Teena Gusler Ed.Tech. III-Special Ed. Mallett School

Ashley Boynton Math Interventionist Mt. Blue Middle

Maria Howatt ½ time Science Teacher Mt. Blue Campus

Matthew Fournier Special Education Teacher Mt. Blue Campus

Beth Brackley Milewski Social Studies Teacher Mt. Blue Middle

Motion to approve: Keith Swett Seconded: Angie LeClair

Vote: Unanimous (792)

Transfers-

Kevin Quinn-Kelley Ed. Tech. III-Special Ed. Mt. Blue Campus

Chris Brinkman 1 Year Social Studies Mt. Blue Campus

Amanda Paradis-Roberts Ed. Tech.III-Library Mallett School

Angela Casavant Ed. Tech. III-Pre-K Mallett School

Jennifer Crafts Ed.Tech III-Special Ed. Mallett School

Suzanne Loring Math Interventionist K-2

Resignation-

Louise Joudrey School Lunch Worker Academy Hill/Cushing

Lynn Wells Destination Imagination Cape Cod Hill School

Paula Leavitt Director of Special Services

Melissa Speich Ed Tech. II-Special Ed. Cushing

Arin McLaughlin Ed Tech. III-Special Ed. Cape Cod Hill

Derek Langley ½ Science Teacher Mt. Blue Campus

Deborah Hiltz Ed. Tech. III, GT Mallett School

Christine Jackson Ed. Tech Academy Hill School

Louella Grindle Math Teacher Mt. Blue Campus

Retire-

Wenda Hunter Ed. Tech. III-Special Ed. Mt. Blue Campus

VI. New Business

1. Approval of Interim Director of Special Services

Motion to approve Christine Gatto-Shea as interim special education director in a 4/5th position: Helen Wilkey

Seconded: Betsey Hyde Vote: Unanimous (792)

1. Proposal to change graduation date-Bruce Mochamer

Motion to move graduation to a Sunday: Keith Swett

Seconded: Angie LeClair Vote: Unanimous (792)

1. Proposal for Director of Food Services transition -- Dr.Tom shared that Cheryl Ellis will retire after this year. Dr. Tom would like to post within the district to see if anyone is interested in serving as an assistant for the remainder of the year to then transition this person in the director position in 2015-16. Create an outline for duties and a job description.

Claire Andrews entered at 7:48 p.m.

D. Approval for Jennifer Pooler as MSBA representative

Motion to approve: Helen Wilkey Seconded: Nancy Crosby

Vote: Unanimous (876)

1. Fall MSBA Conference-October 23rd and 24th

Those attending Helen Wilkey, Jennifer Pooler, Angie LeClair (10/23 only),

F. Nominate Budget Committee Members – Need two additional people this year (Richard Hargreaves and Angie LeClair will serve their second year.)

G. Awarding Bus Lease Financing-Kris Pottle

**Motion**: I move that the Vote entitled, “Vote to Authorize Lease Purchase of Four (4) 2015 77-Passenger Blue Bird School Buses in the Principal Amount of $365,390,” be adopted in form presented to this meeting and that a copy of said Vote be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

**VOTE TO AUTHORIZE LEASE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) 2015 77-PASSENGER BLUE BIRD SCHOOL BUSES IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF $365,390**

Be it hereby voted as follows:

That under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 20-A M.R.S. sections 1001, 1055 and 5401(15), the Superintendent of Schools (the “Superintendent”) is authorized to execute and deliver a 2014 $365,390 School Bus Lease with TD Equipment Finance, Inc., or its nominee, in the name and on behalf of Regional School Unit No. 9 (Mt. Blue Regional School District) (the “RSU”) for four (4) 2015 77-passenger blue bird school buses, with an aggregate purchase price of up to Three Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Dollars ($365,390), in such form and on such terms not inconsistent herewith as the Superintendent may approve (the "Lease");

That no part of the proceeds of the Lease shall be used, directly or indirectly, to acquire any securities and obligations, the acquisition of which would cause the Lease to be a "private activity bond" or an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Sections 141 and 148, respectively, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");

That the Lease issued pursuant hereto is designated as a qualified tax-exempt obligation within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of said Code;

That the Superintendent is authorized to covenant on behalf of the RSU to file any information report and pay any rebate due to the United States in connection with the issuance of the Lease, and to take all other lawful actions necessary to insure the interest portion of the rental payments under and pursuant to the Lease will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation and to refrain from taking any action which would cause such interest portion of the rental payments to become includable in the gross income of the owners thereof;

That the appropriate officials of the RSU are authorized to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates as may be required in connection with the Lease; and

That an attested copy of this Vote be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to approve as stated: Angie LeClair Seconded: Clair Andrews

Vote: Unanimous (876)

H. First reading of Student Memorial Policy

I. Director of Curriculum/Assistant Superintendent’s Report-Leanne Condon shared that according to the PBIS assessment scores four schools are performing well above the required 80% and MBC, which has only implemented PBIS for one year, scored at 78.6%, which is amazing.

J. Superintendent’s Report-Dr. Thomas J. Ward The Gifted and Talented ed tech III person has resigned; it’s time to hire a full-time teacher. State reimburses for this two years from now. The additional cost is approximately $15,000. The agreement was to go ahead and advertise for a teacher.

Motion to approve the advertising of a GT instructor at the elementary level: Claire Andrews Seconded: Angie LeClair

Vote: Unanimous(876)

We have seven students who have enrolled in the virtual online charter school. This has a cost of $56,000, which would come out of our contingency.

VII. Executive Session-Evaluation Title 1 § 405 (6)(A) – Moved to next meeting.

VIII. Meeting adjournment at 8:35 p.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**All meetings are held in The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus at 7:00 pm unless noted.**

**September 9, 2014 October 14, 2014**

**September 23, 2014 October 28, 2014**