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***The RSU 9 Board will tour the Bjorn CTE Center at Mt. Blue Middle School from 6:00 - 6:30 pm. The RSU 9 Board Meeting will begin at 6:45pm in the FORUM at Mt. Blue Campus.**

Board of Directors Board Meeting Agenda Minutes

DATE: October 8, 2024
PLACE: Mt. Blue Campus Forum
TIME: 6:45pm
LIVESTREAM LINK: <https://boxcast.tv/channel/unvoa3ijkfnyp9oufole>

Board Members Present: Dee Robinson, Dina Spenciner, Wayne Kinney, Gwen Doak, Katie Martikke, Jeff Barnum, Amanda Caruso, Kyle Fletcher, Rich Ruhlin, Greg Kimber

Board Members Absent: Gerald Provencher, Scott Erb, Gloria McGraw, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins, Will Jones

Student Reps Present: Addie Colello, Julian Reynolds, Rowan Shanti

Student Reps Absent: Brielle Tinker

Staff Present: Christian Elkington, Monique Poulin

Other Staff Present: Tracy Williams, Cynthia Bernstein, Mike Hanson, Keith Acedo

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- I. **Call to Order** - Chair Robinson
 - A. The meeting was called to order at 6:45.

 - II. **Pledge of Allegiance**

 - III. **Adjustments to the Agenda**
 - A. Introduction of Julian Reynolds, new junior board member
 1. A warm welcome was shared!

 - IV. **Report of the Chairperson** - Chair Robinson
 - A. [Code of Ethics](#)
 1. J & K

V. Communications

A. Superintendent's Newsletter - [10-4-2024](#)

1. Superintendent Elkington reviewed highlights.
2. Does the newsletter go out to all town offices as well? It is shared as a link in the board agenda, but we will follow up regarding whether it is sent directly to them when released.

VI. Good news stories from the Board or Administrators

- A. Homecoming Week at MBHS/MBC-Went very well with a new approach and high engagement.
- B. 10/11 Workshop Day planning and implementation-Many differentiated offerings with appreciation to all involved. We look forward to a day of learning district wide.
- C. Shout out to staff that work in Day Treatment Programs across the district-We appreciate their efforts and commitment.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. [Superintendent's Report](#) - Christian Elkington

A. New Hires, Transfers, Resignations, and Retirements

1. The superintendent responded to a question regarding a recent resignation.

B. Openings as of 10-8-2024

C. Turf Committee Notes

D. Apprenticeship Program Update 9-20-2024

E. FCTEC Keway Apprenticeships Update

F. 10-15-2024 Ribbon Cutting/Open House for District Office

1. All are welcome!

IX. Administrator Reports

A. None

X. Presentations

- None

XI. Consent Agenda

A. New Hires/Resignations etc.

B. Board Minutes - [09.24.24](#)

C. Committee Report Outs and Minutes

1. Operations Committee - [10.1.24](#)
2. Personnel & Finance - [10.1.24](#)
3. Educational Policy - [10.1.24](#)

<i>Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.</i>	<p>Yeas: Dee Robinson, Dina Spenciner, Wayne Kinney, Gwen Doak, Katie Martikke, Jeff Barnum, Amanda Caruso, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber</p> <p>Nays:</p> <p>Abstain: Rich Ruhlin</p> <p>Student Yeas: Rowan Shanti, Julian Reynolds, Addie Colello</p> <p>Student Nays:</p> <p>Student Abstain:</p> <p>569/0/50</p>	<p><i>Motion: Gwen Doak</i></p> <p><i>Second: Wayne Kinney</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Passed</i></p>
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XII. New Business

A. Policy Work

1. Policy Folders

- Minor Adjustments/Changes (one reading)

- (1) [BBA * School Board Powers & Responsibilities](#)
- (2) [ILD Educational Research: Student Submission To Surveys, Analyses, Or Evaluations](#)

2. Discussion/Questions?

- Clarification of changes

3. Motion

4. Vote

<i>Motion to approve the policies as presented.</i>	<p>Yeas: Dee Robinson, Dina Spenciner, Wayne Kinney, Gwen Doak, Katie Martikke, Jeff Barnum, Amanda Caruso, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Rich Ruhlin</p> <p>Nays:</p> <p>Abstain:</p> <p>Student Yeas: Rowan Shanti, Julian Reynolds, Addie Colello</p> <p>Student Nays:</p> <p>Student Abstain:</p> <p>619/0/0</p>	<p><i>Motion: Rich Ruhlin</i></p> <p><i>Second: Jeff Barnum</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Passed</i></p>
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Related to The Ed Policy Committee minutes, the members approved a resolution regarding the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee around adjustments to the RSU 9 Cell Phone Policy. There was a suggestion that some of our student board members be involved. Amanda Caruso, Dina Spenciner, Katie Martikke, and Wayne Kinney will serve as board members. There was a brief discussion about the importance of this committee and their work.

XIII. Adjourned without objection at 7:07.

BOARD WORKSHOP

October 21, 2024 - 6:30pm (Board only) - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

October 22, 2024 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

- *Board Reports - School Nutrition, McKinney Vento, MBHS, FTC*
- November 12, 2024 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus
- *Board Reports - Athletics, Special Services, Technology*

NEXT SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Operations - November 19, 2024 - 5:00pm - The Holman House, Mt. Blue Campus

Personnel & Finance - November 19, 2024 - 6:00pm - The Holman House, Mt. Blue Campus

Educational Policy - November 19, 2024 - 7:00pm - The Holman House, Mt. Blue Campus