Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors

Minutes

DATE: February 23, 2021

Place: Zoom Time: 6:30pm

Meeting Video: https://vimeo.com/516243217

In attendance: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb (entered at 7:15pm), Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Cherieann Harrison, Betsey Hyde, J. Wayne Kinney, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney (returned at 6:47pm), Whitney Fraser

Also present: Keith Acedo, Nancy Allen, Cynthia Bernstein, James Black, Chad Brackett, Jeff Brazee, Laura Columbia, Calen Dalrymple, Todd Demmons, Katie Duchesne, Nichole Goodspeed, William Greenlaw, Andy Hutchins, John Jones, Richard Joseph, Kris Pottle, Lisa Sinclair, Joel Smith, Melissa Williams, Tracy Williams

- I. Call to Order: 6:32pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Whitney Fraser, MBHS student
- III. Public Comment
 - A. None
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
 - A. Updates
 - 1. The superintendent interview committee was established through the Superintendent Search Committee. Also, there will be a forum (two sessions) on Thursday night RSU 9 staff.
 - B. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
 - Joel Smith, interim principal at MBHS, shout out to Erica Emery in taking the lead with our February Academic Break. And Chad Brackett for his efforts in keeping athletics going and following all safety guidelines, as well as the ski team having a successful weekend.
 - James Black, shared the successes of the staff and students during February break, and the work Denise Mochamer completed. Danita Gilbert and Becky Roy were the winners of the Chili Chowder Showdown.
- V. Superintendent's Report Monique Poulin
 - A. New Hires, Transfers, Resignations, Retirements
 - B. Updates regarding:
 - 1. Business Manager search is in process and will be interviewing shortly.
 - 2. Reminder to the budget committee March 12 and March 19 will be full day presentations. The format is still being finalized.
 - 3. As COVID-19 cases are decreasing, we are hoping to increase the number of students returning to school. A procedure was created that looks at various aspects, that will help us implement having an increase of

students on site. This will be brought to the board for consideration prior to implementation.

VI. Presentations

- A. School Nutrition Update Andy Hutchins
 - 1. Presentation included USDA school guidelines, changes in operation due to COVID-19, and updates to delivery and meal pickup, as well as budgetary information and updates.
- B. Academic Update Laura Columbia
 - 1. Star360 Data Update
 - 2. Enrollment Change Summary

VII. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes from February 9, 2021

Motion to approve consent agenda	Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Cherieann Harrison, J. Wayne Kinney, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 14:0:0 (941:0:0)	Motion: Lisa Laflin Seconded: Debbie Smith Motion: Passed
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VIII. Committee Reports

- 1. Operations None
- 2. Personnel & Finance None
- 3. Educational Policy None
- 4. Drop-out Prevention Carol Coles reported on the work the committee has done to assist students with the pilot program in Starks.
- IX. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D)
 - A. Labor contract discussion regarding COVID-19 related MOA with Teacher/Support Staff units
 - B. Update on upcoming negotiations for Administrator's Contract
 - C. Update on upcoming negotiations for Support Staff Contract

Motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(D) - Labor contract discussion regarding COVID-19 related MOA with Teacher/Support Staff	Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris, Cherieann Harrison, J. Wayne Kinney, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Dennis O'Neil, Jesse Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney	Motion: Jeffrey Harris Seconded: Irv Faunce Motion: Passed
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units; Update on upcoming
negotiations for
Administrator's Contract; and
Update on upcoming
negotiations for Support Staff
Contract

Time entered: 7:35pm

Time exited: 8:11pm

X. New Business

A. COVID Memorandum of Agreement - Consideration of action regarding a COVID MOA with the Education Association

I move that the Board ratify the tentative agreement reached between the board's negotiating team and the Mt. Blue Education Association for a Memorandum of Agreement and enter into said agreement with the Mt. Blue Education Association. I further move that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the Board.

Yeas: Carol Coles, Kirk
Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Scott
Erb, Irv Faunce, Jeff Harris,
Cherieann Harrison, J.
Wayne Kinney, Lisa Laflin,
Angie LeClair, Jesse
Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith,
Craig Stickney
Nays:

Abstained: Dennis O'Neil Vote: 13:1:0 (857:84:0)

Motion: Jeff Harris Seconded: Cherieann

Harrison Motion: Passed

XI. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn without objection	Yeas: Nays: Abstained: Vote:	Motion: Angie LeClair Seconded: Motion: passed without objection
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Adjourned at 8:13pm

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Mar. 9, 2021 - 6:30pm - Location TBD Mar. 23, 2021 - 6:30pm - Location TBD

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Operations - Mar. 2, 2021 - 5:00pm - Location TBD Personnel & Finance - Mar. 2, 2021 - 6:00pm - Location TBD Educational Policy - Mar. 2, 2021 - 7:00pm - Location TBD