

# MT. BLUE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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## Operations Committee

### Agenda

February 4, 2025

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

The RSU 9 District Office, Main Street Farmington

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**Members present:** Scott Erb, Gerry Provencher, Debbie Smith, Lance Harvell

**Members absent:** Amanda Caruso

**Other members present:** Dee Robinson, Jeff Barnum

**Staff present:** Chris Elkington, Monique Poulin

**Other staff present:** Nicole Ibarguen

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Chair Erb
    - a. Meeting called to order at 5:01
  
  2. **Previous Committee Minutes-** [01/07/2025](#) - Chair Erb
    - a. Questions?
      - i. None
  
  3. **New** - Ibarguen
    - a. Wilton Schools water update
      - i. Operations Supervisor Ibarguen reviewed the details of the water situation.
        1. Update: The order has been lifted this afternoon!
        2. Many thanks to Walmart for their water donation.
        3. There was plenty of communication from RSU #9 to families and staff.
        4. Maintenance will be flushing the system prior to the start of school tomorrow.
        5. There needs to be better communication between the town and the district in these types of situations.
    - b. District-wide winter heating issues Review
      - i. Pellet boiler at Mallett and radiant flooring-both have had some issues and both have been repaired.
      - ii. Air handlers issues at MBMS and AHS-all has been repaired.
      - iii. CCHS-Pellet boiler not heating up quite high enough. Specialty Services is working on that this week; the propane boiler is working fine.
      - iv. Reminder that the boiler at CBS also heats MBMS-and loses a 3rd of its heat on the journey.
  
  4. **Updates** - Ibarguen
    - a. Work progress
      - i. [FY 25 Operations & Building Projects](#)
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1. Review
  - a. Nicole reviewed the highlights.
    - i. 148 work orders in January; mostly chasing heat.
- b. 10 Yr Plan Committee
  - i. Review of meeting discussions
    1. Meeting was cancelled due to bus driving needs.
    2. Rescheduled for 2/12
  - ii. Progress?
    1. Nicole has been working on the Sealander Assessments and checking off what has been completed.
    2. For MBC and Mallett, we may be able to do some of these assessments internally and with local contractors. The other option is to look at funds at the remainder of the year and potentially hire Sealander.
- c. MBMS
  - i. Bjorn Culinary Center
    1. Revised quote of \$54,000 without hoods and ranges; it now includes two electric convection ovens. We still need a quote for electrician and plumbing.
  - ii. GYM
    1. All is going well. The floor installation team will put one more coat on the floor likely over February break at no cost.
  - iii. Basement
    1. Day Treatment staff and students have moved (hooray) into their old space.
    2. Conex boxes are being emptied and returned.
    3. Speciality Services will need to complete the pipe work when the heat can be shut off, maybe April vacation.
    4. Other spaces will wait until the heat is finalized.
  - iv. Office door
    1. Should happen this week or next
  - v. Kitchen expansion
    1. Once the quotes are in from the electrician and the plumber, we can take next steps to purchase the pad.
- d. MBHS
  - i. Gym
    1. Nothing new to report!
- e. CCHS
  - i. Leach field
    1. Next Steps?
      - a. 1/27- Kings Arrow Company (Septic Design Engineers) had a pre-app meeting with officials from Maine Subsurface Wastewater Team. Dosing calculations needed to be done & septic pump placement was determined. Dosing calculations are done based on elevation of the pump disposing wastewater to the disposal fields.
      - b. Regulatory meeting happened today. King's Arrow said that the pre-work is complete. Should have a better plan by the end of the week.
      - c. Once they have the dosing calculations and the type of pump, it will take three days to get the pump. With any luck, by next week, we will have a

total figure. The issues are due to the elevation. Foster CTE is cutting the wood. Great collaboration!

f. New items:

- i. From the Operations 10yr Planning sub committee meeting-Outside doors lack double keys. Could we ask for donors and then name them? The sub-committee will discuss further and bring it back. Maybe the safety grant could help as well.

**5. Next Mtg.** March 4, 2025

**6. Adjourned at 5:35**

**7. Future Agenda Items**

- Ten Year Maintenance Plan
  - [Building Assessments](#)
  - [Projects already completed](#)