

Mt. Blue Regional School District
Board of Directors Meeting
AGENDA - Rescheduled (from 3-14-2023)

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Working together to provide high-quality educational opportunities for all

DATE: March 15, 2023
PLACE: The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus
TIME: 6:30pm
LIVESTREAM LINK: <https://boxcast.tv/channel/unvoa3ijkfnyp9oufole>

In attendance: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins, Abigail Goodspeed (Student Member), Elizabeth “Ella” Mayhew (Student Member)

Absent: Gwen Doak, Irv Faunce, J. Wayne Kinney, Dorothy “Dee” Robinson

Also present: Keith Acedo, Laura Columbia, Katie Duchesne, Chris Elkington, Nichole Goodspeed

Call to Order

6:32 pm

- I. Pledge of Allegiance

 - II. Adjustments to the Agenda
 - A. None

 - III. Report of the Chairperson - Carol Coles
 - A. [BCA Board Member Code of Ethics](#)
 - Section N

 - IV. Communications
 - A. Staff Members of the Month
 1. Support Staff: Steve Heath, bus driver/custodian at MBC
 2. Professional Staff: Kathy Marshall, teacher at CBS

 - V. Good news stories from the Board or Administrators
 - A. Debbie Smith gave a personal shoutout to the budget committee and how much she appreciates their time and commitment. Also shared was
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Regina Savage's students participating in the Future Business Leaders of America meeting & competition with FTC students from all four districts earning recognition.

- B. Rich Rhulin reported on attending the Unified Basketball game and saw joy, sportsmanship, and engagement.
- C. Riche Wilde shared successes from their last competition and the new R2 Blue2, which is the updated robot which the robotics students have been working on. He is hoping to bring R2 as their mascot to the World Championship.
- D. Laura Columbia reported that Nancy Allen and the school nurses had worked collaboratively in setting up CPR classes for our staff.

VI. Public Comment

- A. Chip Hinds, New Vineyard, shared a reading regarding the vision for the country from Abraham Lincoln.
- B. Doug Hodum, Farmington, spoke on behalf of the executive board, expressing gratitude for the administration, and law enforcement, for prioritizing the safety of staff and students at Mt. Blue Campus in regards to the threats made to MBC before Feb Break.

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

- A. New Hires, Transfers, Resignations, and Retirements
- B. Budget Meeting Reminders and Support
 - 1. Schedule
 - 2. Meetings Commitment and behind-the-scenes work
 - a) The originally scheduled meeting for Thursday is moved to Monday starting at 8:00 am.
- C. HR Notes
- D. Worsening Mental Health Crisis
 - 1. A Comment was heard regarding the source of the worsening mental health crisis, and the need for a solid moral foundation.

VIII. Administrator Reports

- A. [MBMS Athletics Update](#)
 - 1. A good report on sportsmanship was shared.

IX. Presentations

- None

X. Consent Agenda

A. New Hires

B. Board Minutes from [March 6, 2023](#)

C. Committee Report Outs and Minutes

1. Operations Committee - None
2. Personnel & Finance - None
3. [Educational Policy - Notes 3-7-2023](#)

<i>Motion to approve the Consent Agenda</i>	Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 12:0:0 (695:0:0)	Motion: Rich Rhulin Seconded: Alexander Creznic Motion: Passed
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XI. New Business

A. Field Trip Request

1. [Robotics Team Trip to World Championships](#) April 19th, Houston TX

<i>Motion to approve the Robotics Team Trip to Houston TX</i>	Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: 0 Abstained: Chip Hinds Vote: 11:0:1 (654:0:41)	Motion: Janice David Seconded: Rich Rhulin Motion: Passed
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B. Policy Review

1. First Reading of Board Policies
 - a) [EBAA Draft Rev. Chem Hazards](#)
(1) Complete rewrite with updated language

(2) Discussion on how the review should take place, and where the review should be sent was asked.

Superintendent will get more info on what we do now.

b) [EBCB Draft Rev. Emergency Evac Drill](#)

(1) Complete rewrite with updated language

c) [ECB-Draft Rev.](#)

[IsPest-Management-in-Schools-and-on-School-Grounds](#)

(1) Policy simplified with procedures taken out that are followed and not needed in the policy.

2. Review and Approval of Adjusted Board Policies with minimal revisions (one reading)

a) EBCC-Draft Rev. [Bomb-Threats](#)

b) EBCC-E1-Draft Rev [Bomb-Threats-Form](#)

c) EBCC-R- Draft Rev. [Bomb-Threats-Regulations](#)

d) [KI Draft Rev Visitors](#)

(1) Superintendent Elkington shared a letter from board member J. Wayne Kinney regarding adding section H to this policy regarding the presence of sex offenders on RSU 9 grounds.

(2) Discussion was heard regarding what is the definition of staff? Wanting to make clear that all staff are expected to report these kinds of concerns. That the information is available online.

<i>Motion to approve the revisions to the Board policies listed above.</i>	Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 12:0:0 (695:0:0)	Motion: Scott Erb Seconded: Rich Rhulin Motion: Passed
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3. Remove as either duplicated or no longer needed

a) [ECABA-MtB](#) Staff-Identification-Procedures

b) [ECB-E1-MtB](#) Pest-Management-Notification-Form

c) [ECB-E2-MtB](#) Pest-Management-Notification-Registry

<p>Motion to approve the removal of the above from the RSU 9 Policy Manual.</p>	<p>Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 12:0:0 (695:0:0)</p>	<p>Motion: Janice David Seconded: Alexander Creznic Motion: Passed</p>
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C. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) - Labor Contract Discussions between the Board and Professional Staff

<p>Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) - Labor Contract Discussions between the Board and Professional Staff</p>	<p>Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Janice David, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 12:0:0 (695:0:0)</p>	<p>Motion: Rich Rhulin Seconded: Alexander Creznic Motion: Passed</p>
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Time entered: 7:30 pm

Time exited: 7:50 pm

D. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Employees

<p>Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Employees</p>	<p>Yeas: Yeas: Carol Coles, Alexander Creznic, Scott Erb, Kyle Fletcher, Charles Hinds, Judith Kaut, Greg Kimber, Gloria McGraw, Richard Ruhlin, Debbie Smith, Josh Robbins Nays: Janice David Abstained: 0 Vote: 11:1:0 (611:84:0)</p>	<p>Motion: Rich Rhulin Seconded: Alexander Creznic Motion:</p>
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Time entered: 7:51 pm

Time exited: 8:12 pm

XII. Adjourn

A. 8:13 pm

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

March 28, 2023 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

- Board Reports - MBHS Athletics, School Nutrition

April 11, 2023 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

- CBS, Foster Tech, Transportation

NEXT SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Operations - April 4, 2023 - 5:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Personnel & Finance - April 4, 2023 - 6:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Educational Policy - April 4, 2023 - 7:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Operations - May 2, 2023 - 5:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Personnel & Finance - May 2, 2023 - 6:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Educational Policy - May 2, 2023 - 7:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus