# Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors Minutes

DATE: April 14, 2020 Zoom Meeting Time: 6:30pm

**In attendance:** Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Olivia Schanck, Riley Drummond, Whitney Fraser, Alejandro Magdelano

**Also present:** Monique Poulin, James Black, Keith Acedo, Lisa Sinclair, Melissa Williams, Andy Hutchins, Jonathan Chalmers, Richard Joseph, Katie Duchesne, Todd Demmons, Joel Smith, John Jones, Cynthia Bernstein, Laura Columbia, Kris Pottle, <del>Chad Brackett, Darcy Dunphy</del>, <del>Ray Therrien</del>, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams

I. Call to Order at 6:34

II.

Motion to accept public participation through phone or video conference.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Nays:0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 16:0 (1001:0 )	Motion: J. Wayne Kinney Seconded: Lisa Laflin Motion: Passed
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## III. Pledge

- IV. Public Comment
  - A. No public comment
- V. Report of the Chairperson
  - A. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
    - 1. Monique Poulin reported out that leadership teams have been amazing, collaborating, outreach to seniors regarding graduation and how to honor these seniors.

- 2. Laura Columbia, director of curriculum, reported out that a reading teacher taught a reading lesson through a cell phone.
- 3. Cherieann Harrison, board chair, shared out how many community members have helped out during this time.
- 4. John Jones, special education director, reported that they have reached students through a variety of means and working on their goals and individual plans.
- 5. Tami Labul, board member, shared that as a parent of special services, they have been very creative and Zoom meetings.
- 6. Melissa Williams, director of FTC, reported that teachers and students have been working hard learning new technology, staff have been working closely with food delivery, and instructor(s) have been "3D printing" medical pieces for the community.
- B. Report of the Chairperson
  - 1. Budget Proposal will be shared at the next meeting.
- VI. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve
  - A. New hire, retirement, and resignations
    - 1. New hire: Darren Davis is a new computer technician, Lori Ellis retirement, and resignations of Johanna Ernst, and Drew Blanchett. We will be starting the hiring process after April vacation.
    - 2. Update: The solar array project is being delayed 4-6 weeks. The administrators have been doing board reports. These will be sent out soon. If you have any questions, let Tina know.
- VII. Presentations
  - A. None
- VIII. Consent Agenda
  - A. Board meeting minutes from March 10, 2020
  - B. Board meeting minutes from March 17, 2020
  - C. Personnel & Finance Committee minutes from March 3, 2020
  - D. Operations Committee minutes from March 3, 2020
  - E. Educational Policy Committee minutes from March 3, 2020
  - F. Personnel & Finance Committee minutes from April 7, 2020
  - G. Clarifications on minutes from the March 17th Board Meeting;
    - 1. section 4, out of sequence (review formatting and clean up).
    - 2. Pg. 3 Betsey Hyde began reading a letter by Dr.David Hyde, physician, requesting not to be passed out but to be read out loud. "Started to the handout, was requested that paper information not be circulated",
    - 3. Review sequence of times for executive session (15-minute break prior to the first executive session), remove Craig Stickney, and add no action taken
  - H. Questions from the Operations Committee meeting minutes about Operations Committee minutes concerning UMF lease and Traffic studies. UMF lease for parking spaces ends in June. We will not extend the lease due to parking issues

at Mallett. The traffic studies recommendations will be reviewed and prioritized during future long-term facilities planning.

Motion to approve consent agenda, with the removal of Board Minutes from March 17th for further revisions.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 16:0 (1001:0 )	Motion: Kirk Doyle Seconded: Lisa Laflin Motion: Passed
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# IX. Committee Reports

- 1. Personnel & Finance
  - a) Review minutes of 4/17 regarding superintendents' evaluation and finalizing that evaluation form. Third-quarter financial review, as well as the questions and answers from Dennis O'Neil to Kris Pottle. That document will be sent to the whole board. Sue Pratt did a presentation on the expanded FMLA. June 9th budget vote has been moved to July 14th.
- 2. Educational Policy
  - a) Review of IKF policy and Field Trips policy are ongoing. We will finalize them at our next meeting.
- 3. Drop-out Prevention
  - a) The last meeting was in January, the next proposed meeting will be April 29th, and then the 3rd of June.

## X. New Business

- A. Approve 2020-2021 School calendar
  - No more than 5 dissimilar days for our sending schools to Foster Tech. The Educational Advisory Committee requested that September 4th be a vacation day for a long weekend. This calendar accommodates that request.
  - 2. Questions were heard regarding built-in snow days for the 20/21 school year.
  - 3. The current last day for 19/20 is June 16th. Further discussion on that would go to a board vote. 5 waiver days have been approved by the board for March 15th-19th, the Maine DOE is leaving it up to school boards and will honor their decisions. Tina may ask the Board to waive

the snow days to allow for some staff workshop days at the end of the year.

Motion to approve the 2020-2021 School calendar.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Nays: 0 Abstained:0 Vote: 16:0 (1001:0 )	Motion: Jeff Harris Seconded: Irv Faunce Motion: Passed
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- B. Financial Review-Kris Pottle
  - 1. Kris Pottle review amount remaining, regarding payroll, currently not paying substitutes, about 3 million dollars is left for ongoing expenses such as maintenance, supplies needed, computer lease, utilities etc. We will continue to pay out of district placement.
- C. Approve proposed temporary grading changes-Laura Columbia

Dennis O'Neil made a motion to approve the grading recommendations, he then withdrew his motion.

Motion to extend the meeting to 8:45.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained:0 Vote:16:0 (1001:0 )	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Jeff Harris Motion: Passed
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Motion to review the grading procedures on Thursday, April 16th at 6:30.	Yeas: Kirk Doyle, Craig Stickney, Debbie Smith, Betsey Hyde, Josh Robbins, Nays: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Abstained: 0 Vote: 5:11 (241:760)	Motion: Dennis O'Neil Seconded: Irv Faunce Motion: Failed
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Motion to extend the meeting to 9:00	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: 0 Abstained: 0 Vote: 16:0 (1001:0)	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Jeff Harris Motion: Passed
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Motion to approve proposed temporary grading changes, mentioned in policies IKAB and IKF for the school calendar year 19/20.	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: Betsey Hyde and Kirk Doyle Abstained: Vote: 14:2 (888:113)	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Jeff Harris Motion: Passed
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- D. Approve Policy EEAEAA-A Drug and Alcohol Testing for Van Drivers-tabled to next meeting
- XI. Adjourn 9:02

#### NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

April 28, 2020-6:30pm-Zoom Meeting May 12, 2020-6:30 pm Zoom Meeting COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

May 5, 2020-5:00pm-Operations Committee-Zoom Meeting May 5, 2020-6:00pm-Personnel & Finance-Zoom Meeting May 5, 2020-7:00pm-Educational Policy Committee-Zoom Meeting