***Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors***

**Minutes**

**DATE: May 2, 2017**

**Place: The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**In attendance:** Jennifer Zweig Hebert, Betsey Hyde, Nancy Crosby, Doug Dunlap, ~~Scott Erb~~, Richard Hargreaves, Cherieann Harrison, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, ~~Ryan Morgan~~, ~~Robert Patterson~~, Jennifer Pooler, Iris Silverstein, Craig Stickney, Keith Swett, Helen Wilkey, and Griffin Mayhew.

Also present: Bruce Mochamer, Jason Bellerose, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams, Darlene Paine, Keith Acedo, Melissa Williams, Andy Hutchins, Glenn Kapiloff, Jonathan Chalmers, Christine Gatto-Shea, and Darcy Dunphy

1. Call to Order by Jennifer Zweig Hebert at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge
3. Consideration of the meeting minutes of April 27, 2017

 Motion to approve: Keith Swett Seconded: Angie LeClair

Vote: 10/0/2 (Abstaining due to absence is Nancy Crosby and Richard Hargreaves.) (690)

 IV. Report of the Chairperson

1. Good news stories from Board/Admin

Melissa Williams shared that the Foster CTE trip to NYC was underway this week. The students have already visited several colleges.

Jason Bellerose shared that some of the 8th grade students visited UMF.

Doug Dunlap and Nancy Crosby commented on the students who went on the exchange trip to China over April vacation. The article was nice and the students had an amazing trip and will present to the board at a later date.

 V. New Business

1. Adult Education deliberations
2. Set Adult Education budget

Motion to approve the adult education budget at $420,991 with no increase in the transfer of 16-21 year old subsidy: Keith Swett Seconded: Tami Labul

Vote: Unanimously in favor (754)

Betsey Hyde entered at 6:21 p.m.

1. Budget updates
2. Set general fund budget

 Motion to set the budget at $34,179,878: Cherieann Harrison

 Seconded: Jennifer Pooler

Vote: 4/9 Motion fails. (Voting in favor: Helen Wilkey, Keith Swett, Jennifer Pooler, and Nancy Crosby) (278/505)

Call for vote: Craig Stickney Seconded: Jennifer Pooler

Vote: 4/9 Motion fails. (Voting in favor: Craig Stickney, Keith Swett, Jennifer Pooler, and Cherieann Harrison) (298/485)

Motion to set the budget at $32,749,109 (same amount as the 2016-17 budget): Keith Swett Seconded: Jennifer Pooler

Vote: 3/10 Motion fails. (Voting in favor: Keith Swett, Jennifer Pooler, and Craig Stickney) (278/505)

Motion to set the budget at $33,185,522: Nancy Crosby

Seconded: Keith Swett

Vote: 4/9 Motion fails. (Voting in favor Keith Swett, Jennifer Poole, Nancy Crosby, and Craig Stickney) (247/536)

Motion to set the budget at $33,839,263: Doug Dunlap

Seconded: Tami Labul

Vote: (see below)

Amendment to the motion (at $33,839,263) to increase the budget by $68,009 for another social worker at K-5: Iris Silverstein Seconded: Richard Hargreaves

Vote: 9/4 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Doug Dunlap, Jenn Z. Hebert, Betsey Hyde, and Craig Stickney) (561/222)

Second amendment to the motion to reduce Special Ed. contingency by $54,992 and increase the secondary instruction budget to include the ½ ASL teacher and the ½ science teacher at MBHS: Cherieann Harrison Seconded: Jennifer Pooler

Vote: 12/1 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Iris Silverstein) (699/84)

Third amendment to the motion to reduce the budget by $10,000 eliminating the funding for the International Student Program: Jennifer Pooler

Seconded: Cherieann Harrison

Vote: 8/5 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Doug Dunlap, Jenn Z. Hebert, Angie LeClair, Tami Labul, and Betsey Hyde.) (477/306)

Vote on the original motion, as amended at $33,897,272 (see above)

Vote: 9/4 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Keith Swett, Nancy Crosby, Betsey Hyde, and Craig Stickney) (583/200).

1. Capital projections bond

Motion to approve the projects from Priority #1 on the Proposed Bond Project List with the bonding of approximately $25,000 over ten years : Nancy Crosby Seconded: Iris Silverstein

Vote: (see below)

Amendment to the motion to fund all of Priority #1 on the Proposed Bond Project List in the amount of $317,833.50: Doug Dunlap

Seconded: Betsey Hyde

Vote: 9/4 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Cherieann Harrison, Nancy Crosby, Iris Silverstein, and Craig Stickney.) (528/255)

Vote on the original motion as amended at $317,833.50 (see above)

Vote: 9/4 Motion passes. (Voting in opposition: Keith Swett, Cherieann Harrison, Nancy Crosby, and Craig Stickney.) (538/245)

1. Additional article in anticipation of additional state revenue

 Motion to approve Option #4 : Keith Swett Seconded: Doug Dunlap

Vote: 10/3 Motion Passes. (Voting in opposition: Jennifer Pooler, Nancy Crosby, and Iris Silverstein.) (600/183)

1. Open or closed articles

 Motion to go with open articles: Keith Swett Seconded: Iris Silverstein

 Vote: Passes unanimously (783)

1. Set annual budget meeting on May 31, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.at MBC.

Motion to approve: Keith Swett Seconded: Iris Silverstein

Vote: Unanimous (783)

Nancy Crosby exits at 9:02

1. Set referendum date

Motion to set the referendum date as June 13, 2017: Keith Swett Seconded: Iris Silverstein.

 Vote: Unanimous (760)

Motion to hold a public hearing for the bond proposal on May 23, 2017, at 7:00

p.m.: Keith Swett

 Seconded: Helen Wilkey

 Vote: Unanimous (760)

 VI. Adjournment at 9:05 p.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**May 9, 2017-Set Budget-7:00pm-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**May 23, 2017-Board Meeting-7:00pm-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**