# Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors Minutes

**DATE: May 12, 2020** 

Time: 6:30pm Zoom Meeting

**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, Bill Greenlaw, Richard Joseph, Katie Duchesne, Todd Demmons, Joel Smith, John Jones, Cynthia Bernstein, Laura Columbia, Kris Pottle, Chad Brackett, Darcy Dunphy, Ray Therrien, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams

- I. Call to Order at 6:33 pm
- II. Pledge
- III. Public Comment
  - A. Vicky Cohen read a letter to the school board regarding the addition of an assistant superintendent.
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
  - A. MSBA survey submitted including highspeed information provided by Brightbyte results and responses from the board members on Challenges they see for returning to school.
  - B. May 18th, Maine Administrative Services for Children's with Disabilities will host a zoom for Board Chair, Vice-Chair, and Superintendent.- Conflicting meeting for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Superintendent. Will attend if possible.
  - C. May 26th School Board will have a special meeting to recognize top students and the Foster Tech student of the year.
  - D. Teacher Negotiations will resume next week.
  - E. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
    - 1. Monique Poulin, MBC Coordinator, reported that there will be some type of graduation in June, as well as awards night.
    - 2. J. Wayne Kinney shared working in the food lunch program, and reported out how exceptionally well it is run.
    - 3. Irv Faunce reported that RSU 9 has a donation for oral health supplies that will be sent out with meal delivery.
    - 4. Laura Columbia, Director of Curriculum, reported on Teacher Appreciation Week, and thanked administrators, parents and students

- 5. Ray Therien reported that they have completed a CNA course. The EMT course will run into July.
- V. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve
  - A. New hires, Resignations, Retirement
    - 1. Martha Whittle and Connie Otero will be retiring. Margaret LeMotte, and Laura Hoeft have submitted resignations.
- VI. Presentations none
- VII. Consent Agenda
  - A. Board meeting minutes from April 28, 2020
    - 1. Revisions to board members comments were made.
  - B. Operations minutes from May 5, 2020
  - C. Personnel & Finance minutes from May 5, 2020
  - D. Educational Policy minutes from May 5, 2020

Motion to approve consent agenda	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: Angie LeClair Seconded: Irv Faunce Motion: Passed
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# VIII. Committee Reports

- 1. Operations
  - a) Jeff Harris reported that Support Services Director, Bill Greenlaw, updated the committee on repairs, and facilities use requests.
  - b) Lisa Lafflin will assist in arranging a facilities tour mid August.
- 2. Personnel & Finance
  - a) Irv Faunce reported on the work of the superintendent's evaluation, and it is ready for board approval.

b)

Motion to approve the evaluation form of the superintendent as presented by the Personnel and Finance Committee	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	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Lisa Lafflin Motion: Passed
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Abstained: 0	
Vote: 16:1 (1001:0)	

c) A financial report from Kris Pottle was shared

# 3. Educational Policy

- a) The committee was updated on summer programming, devices and hotspots provided by the DOE, and end of the year planning.
- b) The committee reviewed School Sponsored and Non-School Sponsored Field Trip policy.

### 4. Drop-out Prevention

a) Carol Coles has minutes from the meetings if board members want more information.

#### B. New Business

- 1. Approval of Adult Education Director Candidate
  - a) Craig Stickney inquired about the salary, Tina Meserve reported it as: \$75,000.

Motion to approve Nancy Allen as Adult Education Director	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, 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: 0 Abstained: Vote: 15:0 (972:0)	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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\*Betsey Hyde not present as of 7:20

- C. FY 2021 Budget Proposal
  - 1. Discussion was heard on:
    - a) Summer school 2020
    - b) ½ time assistant superintendent
    - c) Drug and Alcohol Abuse Counselor
    - d) Success and Innovation Center

## \*Betsey Hyde returned at 7:57

Motion to approve the 2021 Budget Proposal to go to the community for feedback with the addition of \$5,000 for a consultant to develop a drug and	Yeas: Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Josh Robbins, Debbie Smith, Nays: Doug Dunlap, Craig Stickney, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Carol Coles, Dennis O'Neil, Jesse Sillanpaa, J. Wayne Kinney, Jeff Harris,	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: J. Wayne Kinney Motion: Failed
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alcohol abuse Abstained: 0 counselor position Vote: 6:10 (327:674) and vision, Motion to extend the Yeas: 16 Motion: Cherieann meeting to 9:15pm Nays: 0 Harrison Abstained: 0 Seconded: Dennis Vote: 16:0 (1001:0) O'Neil Motion: Passed Motion to include the Yeas: Carol Coles. Cherieann Motion: Irv Faunce ½ time position of Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Seconded: Dennis assistant Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, O'Neil Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Motion: Passed superintendent in 2021 Proposed Robbins, Debbie Smith, Budget provided to Nays: Craig Stickney, Jesse the board. Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Dennis O'Neil Abstained: 0 Vote: 12:4 (709:292) Motion to move Motion: Cherieann Yeas: Carol Coles. Cherieann extend meeting to Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Dennis O'Neil, Harrison Jeff Harris, Tami Labul, Angie 9:45 Seconded: J.Wayne LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Kinney Sillanpaa, Debbie Smith, Motion: Passed Nays: Craig Stickney, Doug Dunlap, Lisa Laflin, J. Wayne Kinney, Irv Faunce, Abstained: 0 Vote: 11:5 (644:357)

Motion to move the agenda items (School Calendar Changes and Executive Sessions) to the next meeting

Yeas: Carol Coles, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Lisa Laflin, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney Nays: Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul,

Jeff Harris, Irv Faunce,

Abstained: 0

Motion: Wayne Kinney

Seconded: Craig

Stickney Motion: Passed

Vote: 10:6 (580:421)	

- D. Consideration of 2019-20 school calendar change
- E. First reading
  - 1. EEAEAA-A Drug and Alcohol Testing for Van Drivers
    - a) Moved to second reading
- IX. Executive session M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) to Consider the Complaint Against an Individual or Public Official
- X. Adjourn: 9:30

\*Irv Faunce was not present for the vote.

Motion to adjourn	Yeas: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, 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: 15:0 (927:0)	Motion: Lisa Laflin Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

May 19, 2020-6:00pm-Tentative Budget Forum May 26, 2020-6:30 pm Zoom Board Meeting June 9, 2020-6:30pm Zoom Board Meeting

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

June 2, 2020-5:00pm-Operations Committee-Zoom Meeting June 2, 2020-6:00pm-Personnel & Finance-Zoom Meeting June 2, 2020-7:00 pm -Educational Policy Committee-Zoom Meeting