

# Mt. Blue Regional School District - RSU 9



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## **Board of Directors Workshop** *(for Board Members and the Superintendent)*

**DATE:** July 22, 2025  
**PLACE:** The Chef's Table - MBC/FTC (Rm. D120, on the right just past the cafeteria)  
**TIME:** 5:30pm

1. Introductions, responsibilities, Board dynamics, and sharing.

**No decisions or votes will be taken at the Board Workshop.**

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## **Board of Directors Board Meeting Agenda**

**DATE:** July 22, 2025  
**PLACE:** The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus  
**TIME:** 6:30pm  
**LIVESTREAM LINK:** <https://boxcast.tv/channel/unvoa3ijkfnyp9oufole>

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- I. **Call to Order** - Superintendent Elkington
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Adjustments to the Agenda**
- IV. **Reorganization of the Board** - Superintendent Elkington
  - A. Election of Officers, Chair & Vice Chair
    1. [Reorganization Memo](#)
    2. Nominations from the floor for Chair
      - a. Discussion/Questions
      - a. Motion/Vote
    3. Nominations from the floor for Vice Chair
      - a. Called for by newly elected Chair

- b. Discussion/Questions
    - c. Motion/Vote
  - B. Appointment of Parliamentarian - Board Chair (TBD)
    - 1. Per Policy [BEDD - Rules of Order](#)
    - 2. Motion by Chair to appoint TBD
    - 3. Discussion/Questions
      - Vote
  - C. [Elect a voting delegate and alternate to participate in the Association's Annual Delegate Assembly](#)
    - 1. MSBA would like us to appoint this no later than the first meeting in August
    - 2. Discussion/Questions
    - 3. Motion/Vote

**V. Report/Welcome by the (new) Chairperson - Chair TBD**

- A. Welcome new Board Members
  - 1. Patricia (Patty) Hastings - Chesterville
  - 2. Griffin Mayhew - Wilton
- B. [BCA - Board Member Code of Ethics](#)
  - 1. "A"

**VI. Communications**

- A. Maine DOE Newsroom
  - 1. [FTC Firetruck](#)
- B. [25-26 Calendar Approved by State](#)

**VII. Good news stories from the Board or Administrators**

**VIII. Public Comment**

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

- A. New Hires, Transfers, Resignations, and Retirements
- B. Openings as of 6-23-2025
- C. iPads - cost to district
- D. Referendum History
- E. Maine DOE Diploma
- F. Miracles do happen!
- G. LD 1248 - Physical Escort, Restraint, and Seclusion
- H. Class Size update

- I. State Law Salary Adjustments
- J. Special thanks to the Cormier Family
- K. Franklin Savings Tax Anticipation Note support
- L. Blue Crew update

**X. Administrator Reports**

- A. [MBHS Athletics](#) - Director Cyndi Pratt

**XI. Presentations**

- None

**XII. Consent Agenda**

- A. New Hires/Resignations etc.
- B. Board Minutes - [6/23/2025](#)
- C. Committee Report Outs and Minutes
  - 1. Operations Committee - None
  - 2. Personnel & Finance - None
  - 3. Educational Policy - None
- Motion/Vote

**XIII. New Business**

- A. [Proposed Board Meeting Schedule 25/26](#)
  - 1. Discussion/Questions
  - Motion/Vote
- B. [Proposed Standing Committee Meeting Schedule 25/26](#)
  - 1. Committee assignments TBD by Board Chair by the end of next week
    - a. Operations, Finance, Ed. Policy
      - i. Please email Chair TBD your ranked order of choice by next week
  - 2. Discussion/Questions
  - Motion/Vote (to approve proposed schedule)
- C. Field Trip - Elkington
  - 1. [MBHS Cross Country field trip to Acadia National Park](#)
  - 2. Discussion/Questions
  - Motion/Vote
- D. 2025-2026 District Physician Appointment - Elkington
  - 1. Dr. Emily Jacobs
    - a. Same Physician, new practice/hospital affiliation
      - i. At a cost of approximately \$2,000

2. Discussion/Questions
  - Motion/Vote
- E. Maine Paid Family & Medical Leave Program - Director of Finance Alison Gamache
  1. [Private Plan option](#)
  2. Discussion/Questions
    - Motion/Vote
- F. Postage Meter Vendor Change/Contract - Director of Finance Gamache
  1. [Comparison Sheet](#)
  2. Discussion/Questions
    - Motion/Vote
- G. Town Assessment Form Part 2 - Director of Finance Gamache
  - Second Form
  - One form for each town, signed by all Board Members
- H. Policy Work
  1. Minor Revision w/ Elimination
    - a. [BE - School Board Meetings](#)
      - i. Missing Language - "Voting Power"
    - b. [BEDC - Quorum](#)
      - i. Was replaced in error after elimination, but now contains the correct language
    - c. Language from BEDC (3/25/2025) is incorporated into BE and can be eliminated
    - d. Discussion/ Questions
      - Motion/Vote
- I. "New" Federal funds hold (6 billion) means what for us?
  1. ["New" Federal Funds put on hold](#)
  2. How much is it for us?
    - a. **-\$255,220**
      - i. Title I-C - zero
      - ii. Title II-A **-\$165,408.15**
      - iii. Title III-A - zero
      - iv. Title IV-A **-\$89,812.03**
    - b. **Net loss of \$255,220**
  3. What do these funds help pay for?
    - a. Intervention Positions, Positions, Positions
  4. This could mean what for RSU 9?
    - a. Loss of programming support?
    - b. Possible next steps?

- i. Option 1
    - (a) Wait and hope
  - ii. Option 2
    - (a) Plan to use title carryover funds (\$160,000)
    - (b) Use funding for the remaining class size position to keep what we have instead of adding
  - iii. Option 3
    - (a) Cut positions funded by these monies
- 5. Discussion/Questions
- 6. Possible Motion/Vote

#### **XIV. Executive Session**

- 1. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Officials
  - *Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Officials*
    - Possible Vote

#### **XV. Adjourned**

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS**

Tuesday, August 12, 2025 - 6:30pm - The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus

- *Board Reports - None*

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 - 6:30pm - The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus

- *Board Reports - Special Services, Technology, Transportation*

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Operations - August 5, 2025 - 5:00pm - The Holman House, District Office

Personnel & Finance - August 5, 2025, - 6:00pm - The Holman House, District Office

Educational Policy - August 5, 2025, - 7:00pm - The Holman House, District Office