**DATE: July 25, 2023**

**PLACE: The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus**

**TIME: 6:30pm**

**LIVESTREAM LINK:** [**https://boxcast.tv/channel/unvoa3ijkfnyp9oufole**](https://boxcast.tv/channel/unvoa3ijkfnyp9oufole)

**In attendance:** Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed

**Absent:** Janice David, Carol Coles, Gloria McGraw, Will Jones

**Also present:** Joel Smith, John Jones, Tracy Williams, Cynthia Pratt

1. Call to Order
   1. At 6:31 pm by Chair Robinson
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adjustments to the Agenda

* None

1. Report of the Chairperson - Dee Robinson
   1. Code of Ethics Preamble
      1. Was reviewed
   2. Welcomed new Board members and thanked members for having the trust to lead the Board in 23-24.
2. Communications - Superintendent Elkington
   1. Articles
      1. [Addressing Chronic Absenteeism](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1duFFc6sGSP6DQuqA3Mv3CWWZCDkcdcCV/view?usp=sharing)

* A request for district data was shared
  + 1. [5 Tips for Navigating CHATGPT](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EzMrSYgacGOMvexdyC9OHIxK0bgKIEOy/view?usp=sharing) and...
* Admin Tech Group with reps from MBC & MBMS will be meeting about this topic as we head into the new year.

1. Good news stories from the Board or Administrators

* CCHS Enrichment Program is going well
* Mt. Blue Field Hockey girls were spotted fundraising for “Safe Voices”
* MBC Cleaning is going very well!

1. Public Comment

* None

1. [Superintendent’s Repor](https://docs.google.com/document/d/18fgO9-7GBjhJKZEecRRp18ROpxIGEytT/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117114356732858938937&rtpof=true&sd=true)t - Elkington
   1. New Hires, Transfers, Resignations, and Retirements
   2. Present Open Positions
   3. Special Ed Ratings
   4. Health Record Pilot Grant

* Superintendent Elkington clarified any questions on the above items.

1. Administrator Reports
   1. [Special Ed](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Wk7yG4ZvMsCf2mWU0Bg-Pfb5DXd9SxFJ/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117114356732858938937&rtpof=true&sd=true) - John Jones

* Director Jones reviewed his report and answered questions on the following
  + Students moving in
  + Transitions for students
  + Programs at MBHS, MBMS, and with PreK.

1. Presentations - RSU 9 Boosters
   1. Competition Field Turf Review

* Mike Bolduc President of the Mt. Blue Boosters (accompanied by 5 other community members) shared thoughts on the following:
  + 1. Plan
       1. Looking at fundraising 1.8 million for this project
       2. Have spent over $20,000 on preliminary work
    2. Questions
       1. On fundraising
       2. Naming rights
       3. How used
       4. Need for turf
       5. Safety concerns
    3. Discussion
       1. Board very supportive
       2. Thanked their group
       3. Need to coordinate with RSU 9 Admin
       4. With the district’s budget needs we can’t make this part of the school budget.
    4. Naming rights

Superintendent is collecting sample policies and processes, and has contacted people involved in the naming rights at MBC 23 years ago.

* + 1. Next Steps?

The superintendent will be putting some drafts together and

depending on timing will bring them back to the policy committee or the full Board.

1. Consent Agenda
   1. New Hires/Resignations etc.
   2. [Board Minutes 7-11-2023](https://docs.google.com/document/d/14_xWT75zoBV_AizpEpz2x8X-RCL8yUFr/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117114356732858938937&rtpof=true&sd=true)
   3. Committee Report Outs and Minutes
      1. Operations Committee - None
      2. Personnel & Finance - None
      3. Educational Policy - None

| *Motion to approve the consent agenda.* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Scott Erb  Motion: Passed |
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1. New Business
   1. [X-Country Field Trip to Acadia](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nSclvutaS3JDqz4NkXwo0Ya7oiSfhrgj/view?usp=sharing)

* *Motion to approve X-Country Trip to Acadia as shared*

| *Motion to approve X-Country Trip as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Scott Erb  Seconded: Alex Creznic  Motion: Passed |
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* 1. [Committee Assignments](https://docs.google.com/document/d/110B9WlTCGFA1dX-mPRlMeKDZZfYWf3LoV2qncR6rXOE/edit?usp=sharing) - Chair Robinson
     + 1. Review
       2. Process
          1. Worked to give members 1st or 2nd choice
* *Motion to approve Assignments as shared*

| *Motion to approve Committee Assignments as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Debbie Smith  Motion: Passed |
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* 1. Board Meeting Adjustments for 23-24 - Elkington
     1. [2023-2024 Board & Committee Meetings Draft](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PgXGZ3mPIsilulpLH4zSwQwzgfT1DyF1/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117114356732858938937&rtpof=true&sd=true)
     2. Adjustments
* *Motion to approve adjustments as shared*

| *Motion to approve Board & Committee Meetings as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Deb Smith  Seconded: Josh Robbins  Motion: Passed |
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* 1. Policy Review - Elkington
     1. Basic Updates and Changes
        1. [IGA missed going to the full Board](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bvHNy1splOpWTVcrUiNaJ1Picaju-Dm_/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117114356732858938937&rtpof=true&sd=true) (coming from Ed Policy in Feb)
* *Motion to approve adjustments as shared*

| *Motion to approve IGA as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Scott Erb  Seconded: Rich Ruhlin  Motion: Passed |
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* 1. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) - Labor Contract Discussion w/Association
* Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) - Labor Contract Discussion w/Association
* At 7:46 pm

| *Motion to go into Executive Session as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Alex Creznic  Motion: Passed |
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* Out at 8:01 pm
  1. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C) - Disposition of Property
* Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C) - Disposition of Property
* At 8:04 pm

| *Motion to go into Executive Session as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Scott Erb  Motion: Passed |
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* Out at 8:30 pm

| *Motion to extend the meeting to 8:45 pm* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Scott Erb  Seconded: Rich Ruhlin  Motion: Passed |
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* *Motion TBD*

| *Motion to approve the superintendent going into contract negotiations for District Office space in Farmington* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Deb Smith  Motion: Passed |
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* 1. Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Employees
* Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) - Compensation of Employees
* At 8:32 pm

| *Motion to go into executive session as presented* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso, Abigail Goodspeed  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Rich Ruhlin  Seconded: Kyle Fletcher  Motion: Passed |
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* Out at 8:41 pm
* *Motion to approve TBD*

| *Motion to approve the Superintendent’s Comprehensive Agreement Addendum for 2023-2026* | Yeas: Dee Robinson, Debbie Smith, Jeffery Barnum, Kyle Fletcher, Greg Kimber, Scott Erb, Gwen Doak, Alexander Creznic, Josh Robbins, Judith Kaut, Richard Ruhlin, Amanda Caruso  Nays: 0  Abstained: 0  Vote: 714/0/0 | Motion: Josh Roberts  Seconded: Scott Erb  Motion: Passed |
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1. Adjourn at 8:45 pm without objection

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS**

August 8th, 2023 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

* + - * Board Reports - None

August 22nd, 2023 - 6:30pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

* + - * Board Reports - Transportation, School Nutrition, Foster Tech

**NEXT SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Operations - August 1st, 2023 - 5:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Personnel & Finance - August 1st, 2023 - 6:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Educational Policy - August 1st, 2023 - 7:00pm - The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus