Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors Minutes

DATE: December 10, 2019

Place: The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus

Time: 6:30pm

In attendance: Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Kirk Doyle, Doug Dunlap, Dennis O'Neil, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde (arrived at 6:35), Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Josh Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, J.Wayne Kinney, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Olivia Schanck, Riley Drummond, Whitney Fraser

Also present: Monique Poulin, James Black, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams, 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, Chad Brackett, Darcy Dunphy, Ray Therrien

- I. Call to Order 6:30 pm
- II. Pledge
- III. Public Comment
 - A. No public comment was heard
- IV. Report of the Chairperson
 - A. Committee meeting agendas will be moved to the next meeting
- V. Good news stories from Board/Administrator
 - A. Monique Poulin, principal at MBC, shared that the middle school and high school had great holiday concerts, and RSU 9 community during the Chester Greenwood Day, as well as a collection for holiday baskets for our community.
 - B. Tracy Williams, principal of Mallett School, reported that 1,550 food items were passed (an increase from 400) and students made cards for the Share and Care Food Pantry. Teachers, staff and the art teacher helped organize the event. UMF participated as well.
 - C. James Black, principal of MBMS, shared that Rotary Interact Club had done a tree for the Festival of Trees and other community service events.
 - D. John Jones, director of special education, shared that Mary Redmond-Luce from FTC, put on the Transition Resource Fair with local agencies that came to offer what resources are available for students and students transition from high school to career or higher education.
- VI. Superintendent's Report-Tina Meserve
 - A. All of the concerts (orchestra, band, and chorus) have highlighted our talented students and have been well attended by our community and families.

- B. Festival of Trees was a success. The the district had six trees represented by various groups, and the Chester Greenwood parade had great representation from RSU 9.
- C. UMF Advisory Board met and discussed the partnership of UMF and public schools. They are looking to improve offerings and support ongoing education of our ed techs and teachers.
- D. There was a recent briefing with the Maine Department of Education for our high school building audit review. The Finance Committee will be getting a report as soon as we get it. Kris Pottle did an excellent job challenging several unapproved costs by submitting evidence of previous approval.

VII. Presentation

A. State of the District-Laura Columbia - Laura reviewed our 2018-19 District Assessment results. The district showed significant growth in student proficiency in reading and math.

VIII. Consent Agenda

A. Board meeting minutes from November 26, 2019

Motion to approve consent agenda	Yeas: All others present Nays: Abstained: Jesse Sillanpaa, Josh Robbins Vote: 836:0:81	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Lisa Laflin Motion: Passed
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IX. Committee Reports

- A. Operations none
- B. Personnel & Finance none
- C. Educational Policy none
- D. Drop-out Prevention-
 - 1. Next meeting: January 29th, 3:30-5:00, Carol Coles reported an improvement of the structure and how data is reviewed.

X. New Business

- A. To approve the Jazz All-State Festival field trip for January 2nd-4th-Steve Muise-Canceled
- B. To approve the All-State Music Festival field trip May 14th-16th-Steve Muise

Motion to approve All-State Music Festival	Yeas: All present Nays: Abstained: Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Doug Dunlap Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed
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C. To approve the hire of a Strategic Planning Facilitator

A discussion was heard on the Strategic Planning Facilitator, both facilitators were stated as highly experienced, the discussion was heard regarding the budget, and how the strategic plans were implemented and used.

Motion to approve the hire of Strategic Planning Facilitator: Good Group Decisions with a maximum budget of \$20,000	Yeas: All others present Nays: Cherieann Harrison Dennis O'Neil Abstained: none Vote: 759:158	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Angie LeClair Motion: Passed

D. Second Readings

- 1. CBI Evaluation of the Superintendent
 - a) A discussion was heard regarding various aspects of the policy and questions were answered.

Motion to approve CBI Evaluation of the Superintendent	Yeas: All others present Nays: Dennis O'Neil, Craig Stickney Abstained: J. Wayne Kinney (absent) Vote:759:158:84	Motion: Irv Faunce Seconded: Betsey Hyde Motion: Passed
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2. GCBA Professional Staff Salary Schedules

Motion to approve GCBA Professional Staff Salary Schedules	Yeas: all present Nays: none Abstained: J. Wayne Kinney Vote: 833:0:84	Motion: Doug Dunlap Seconded: Betsey Hyde Motion: Passed
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E. First Reading

- 1. JIC Student Code of Conduct
- 2. JICH Drug and Alcohol Use by Students
- 3. ADC Tobacco Use and Possession-Postponed
- 4. ADC-R Tobacco Use and Possession Administrative Procedures-Postponed
 - a) Feedback for ADC and ADC-R to go back to the committee regarding language (suggestion was stated of Alcohol and Other Drugs). Tina Meserve will check to see if we can change the name.

XI. Adjourn: 8:23pm

Motion to adjourn	Yeas: all present Navs:	Motion: Angie LeClair Seconded: Jesse Sillanpaa
	Abstained: Vote: Unanimous	Motion: Passed

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

January 14, 2020-6:30pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus January 28, 2020-6:30pm-The Forum at Mt. Blue Campus **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Operations- January 7, 2020-5:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus Personnel & Finance- January 7, 2020-6:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus Educational Policy-January 7, 2020-7:00 pm-Chef's Table at Mt. Blue Campus