Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors
Minutes

DATE: August 14, 2018
Place: The Forum - Mt. Blue Campus
Time: 6:30 p.m. Executive Session
            7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

In attendance: Heather Ahern-Huish, Carol Coles, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, Irv Faunce, Lisa Laflin, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Lidie Robbins, Jesse Sillanpaa, Iris Silverstein, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, Chris Marshall, Hallie Pike

Also present: Monique Poulin, James Black, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams, Keith Acedo, Melissa Williams, Andy Hutchins, Glenn Kapiloff, Jonathan Chalmers, Richard Joseph, Katie Duchesne, John Jones, Cynthia Bernstein, Laura Columbia, Joel Smith, Todd Demons, Chad Brackett

I. Call to Order at 7:01 pm

II. Executive session 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Hearing of complaints against a person or persons

III. Pledge

IV. Report of the Chairperson
  A. Good news stories from Board/Administrators
     a. James Black, principal of MBMS, reported on new portables
     b. Erik Jones placed 1st in Bus Driving Rodeo

V. Public Comment
  A. Public comment was made regarding PBE Model from community member, and teacher.

VI. Consent Agenda
  A. New hires
     Benjamin Bachelder 1 year Social Studies Teacher MBHS
     Kimberly Burgoyne PALs Social Worker
     Stephanie Byrne PALs BCBA
     Brooke Cushing Grade 1 Teacher Mallett
     Heather Quimby ELA Teacher MBMS
     Alison Gamache Accountant Central Office

  B. Resignations
     Karen Beacham Music Teacher District
C. Consideration of the meeting minutes of July 17, 2018
   Irv Faunce motioned to accept the meeting minutes Angie LeClair seconded.
   Vote: unanimous

VII. Old Business
   A. Update on oil bid-Jonathan Chalmers
   B. PAL's update-Laura Columbia
      a. Update on personnel
      b. One location k-2
      c. Resources and supports will be made available to students in grades 3-5

VIII. Financial Report
   July summary report and Mallet School audit
   Kris Pottle reported on:
      ● Summer salaries and school supplies.
      ● Report on approximately $50,000 from the bond project, coming out of contingency, laptop warranty, interest rate

IX. New Business
   A. Resolution to authorize bond loan agreement
      Kris Pottle and Jonathan Chalmers reported on:
      ● Allowing to spend money in advance, prior to loan agreement
      Irv Faunce motioned to authorize bond loan Scott Erb seconded
      Vote: Unanimous

      Irv Faunce motioned to approve the bids Angie LeClair seconded
      Vote: In favor: Scott Erb, Carol Coles, Jeff Harris, Lisa Laflin, Heath Ahern-Huish, Betsy Hyde, Cherieann Harrison, Angie LeClair, Tami Labul, Liddie Robbins, Iris Silverstein, Jesse Sillanpaa.
      Opposed: none (Craig Stickney abstained)
      Motion passed (12:0:1 820/0/74)

   B. Bus lease approval
      Budgeted amount fell short, transfer money from parts and supplies.
      Irv Faunce motioned to approve bus lease Angie LeClair seconded.
      Vote: unanimous
C. Committee assignments
   Cherieann Harrison:
   ● reviewed committee assignments.
   ● Meeting times and dates were reviewed
   ● Delegation to Maine School Board Representative
     Betsy Hyde volunteered
     Iris Silverstein motioned to have Betsy Hyde seconded by Angie LeClair.
     Vote: unanimous
     Heather Ahern-Huish requested to be in Dropout Prevention Committee.
     i. Cherieann Harrison reported on Mission Statements.
        1. Each committee should revise Mission Statements
        2. Each committee will elect a chair and review agenda items

D. Proficiency Based Diploma law change
   a. Tina Meserve reported out on:
      i. Shared turnout on PBE Community Forum
      ii. Identified concerns that were raised by each group (community, students,
          parents and guardians, and RSU 9 Staff)
      iii. Solutions were identified and explained
   b. Diploma Options
      i. Reviewed two different options
      ii. Governor LePage’s statement was reviewed

E. Superintendent’s Report-Tina Meserve
   a. Report on administrative training and work
   b. Board training
   c. New staff orientation and opening day

X. Adjournment
   Jesse Sillanpa motioned to adjourn Angile LeClair seconded
   Vote: unanimous
   adjournment at 9:13

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:
August 28, 2018-7:00pm-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus
September 11, 2018-7:00pm-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:
Operations Committee-August 21, 2018-6:00pm-Chef’s Table-Mt. Blue Campus
Human Resources & Finance Committee-August 21, 2018-7:00pm-Chef’s Table-Mt. Blue Campus
Educational Policy-September 4, 2018-6:00pm-Chef’s Table-Mt. Blue Campus