***Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors***

**Board Minutes**

**DATE: March 20, 2018**

**Place: Mt. Blue Campus- Forum**

**Time: 6:30 p.m.**

**In attendance:**  Jennifer Zweig Hebert, Cherieann Harrison, Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb,  Irv Faunce, Richard Hargreaves, Jeff Harris, Betsey Hyde, Tami Labul, Angie LeClair, Robert Patterson, Lidie Robbins,  ~~Iris Silverstein~~, Debbie Smith, Craig Stickney, ~~Joe Crandall~~, Griffin Mayhew, ~~Chris Marshall, Hallie Pike~~

**Also present:**  Monique Poulin, James Black, Nichole Goodspeed, Tracy Williams, Darlene Paine, ~~Keith Acedo~~, Melissa Williams, ~~Andy Hutchins, Glenn Kapiloff~~, Jonathan Chalmers, ~~Richard Joseph, Katie Duchesne~~, Christine Gatto-Shea, Cynthia Bernstein, Laura Columbia

1. Call to Order 6:35 p.m.
2. Pledge
3. Consideration of the Minutes of March 6, 2018

Motion: Scott Erb Second: Cherieann Harrison Vote: 12-0-1 (Betsey Hyde)

1. Report of the Chairperson
2. Good news stories from Board/Admin

James Black- Students involved in the MBMS Walk-In last Thursday were very appropriate and respectful.

Our annual cakewalk to kick off testing at the middle school was a great success last week.  That excitement carried over to our first day of testing today where the 8th graders started the process.

Melissa Williams- Matt Gallant won first place and a $1000 Launchpad award to assist his business launch in an Entrepreneurship challenge sponsored by Skowhegan Savings bank. He developed a business plan along with financial projections for his business he is currently operating. He will be presenting his full presentation to the Skowhegan Savings Bank employees/board meeting at UMF tomorrow evening.  He is developing apps for businesses and websites. He and Bonita Lehigh, his Entrepreneurship instructor, will speak to the value added to the CTE program in supporting economic development in our region.

FBLA did very well at their competition this week, placing in many of the individual and team events.

Monique Poulin- 150 students participated in the School Safety walk-in that was postponed to Thursday due to the snowstorm.

Successful district wide Band-a-rama in Bjorn Auditorium on Wednesday

Wonderful student written and directed play "It's Kind of a Long Story" performed by the MBHS Theater Company last weekend

Successful FLBA conference in Portland with several students placing in their individual competitions

Jeff Harris welcomed Jesse Sillanpaa, newly elected board member from Industry, who will join us in July and was sitting in the audience.

 V. Public Comment- Deanna Haines, Erika Burns, Cameron Mc Callister, and Craig Cahall presented a letter to the school board asking for an additional teacher at the Cascade Brook School.

 VI. Old Business

1. Personnel

Retire-

George Chimenti Building Trades Foster Tech.

Kathleen Kerr Health/PE Teacher MBMS

Volunteer-FYI

David Spraker Girls Lacrosse Club MBHS

 VII. New Business

1. JMG Presentation
2. Proposal for make up days. We have used nine snow days to date. Motion to eliminate the late arrival on 10 Wednesdays in order to make up two school days.

Motion: Cherieann Harrison Second: Scott Erb Vote: 13-0

1. Board Committee Reports- Finance will meet as soon as the audit is received. Drop Out Prevention- met and discussed meeting in different locations throughout the district. Discussed gathering those in the district who have been trained in Restorative Justice. Policy: Administrative Evaluation is working hard on finding a new superintendent. Negotiations still meeting almost weekly, but for snowstorms. It’s going well.
2. Superintendent’s Report-Dr. Thomas J. Ward

 VIII. Budget Workshop-Preliminary 2018-2019 Budget Presentation

Dr. Patterson arrived at 7:18 p.m.

IX. Executive Session- 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6)(E) Litigation, pending or contemplated; discussion of: Postponed until next week.

 X. Adjournment 8:25 p.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**March 27, 2018-6:30pm-Board Business/Budget Meeting-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**April 3, 2018-6:30pm-Board Business/Budget Meeting-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Admin. Evaluation- March 15, 2018- 5:00PM-Chef’s Table**

**Special Ed. Sub-Committee-March 21, 2018-2:30pm-Central Office Conf. Rm.**