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

**Board Minutes**

**DATE: March 27, 2018**

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

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

**In attendance:**  Heather Ahern-Huish, 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 6:33 pm
2. Pledge
3. Consideration of the Minutes of March 20, 2018 with corrected spelling

Motion: Angie Leclair Second: Scott Erb

Vote: 12-0-1 (764/84) Iris Silverstein

6:34 Betsey Hyde entered

6:40 Cherieann Harrison entered

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

Rich Wilde- The Blue Crew Robotics Team competed last weekend and went to the qualifying rounds in 13th place. Once Dr. Tom showed up, they won 6 straight matches. Their final ranking was 10th out of 40 teams. They won 20 total matches. They also won an entrepreneurship award.

Patricia Millette and Ben Andrews reported that over the last few years, students have mapped geological structures in a field in New Sharon. Similar features were discovered in Chesterville and have also been mapped using GPS. These structures are dunes that are millions of years old. Findings have been presented to professional geologists at a conference. The students have also led geologists on a field trip to these features.

Laura Columbia reported that approximately 800 teachers attended a workshop at MBC last Friday. The workshop was sponsored by WMEC.

James Black- Ten MBMS wrestlers qualified for the state championships at Skowhegan this weekend. They have had a great year and we are very proud of them.

1. Public Comment-none

 VI. Old Business

A. Personnel

 New Hires-FYI

 Meghan Plant Grade 7 Softball Coach MBMS

 Transfer-

 Jake Bogar Science Teacher to Pre Engineering Instructor

 Resign-

 Lisa Lemieux Community Enrichment Coordinator

 Retire-

 Linnea Koons (January 2019) 7th Grade Teacher MBMS

 Elaine Najarian Guidance Secretary MBC

Marie Turner 5th Grade Teacher CCHS

 VII. New Business

1. 2018-2019 School calendar approval

 Motion- Angie LeClair Second- Deb Smith

 Vote: Unanimous

1. Board Committee Reports- Finance - The audit is in and Kris would like to set a date for the committee to meet with the auditor. Drop Out Prevention- working on a date Policy

Administrative Evaluation- updates shortly Negotiations-met yesterday, lots of progress. Meet next week and hope to finish up fairly quickly. Special Education Subcommittee-met last week. Topics discussed include the number of out-of-district placements, creating a middle school day treatment program, obtaining a van for life skills students to go into the community, and the hiring of a speech language pathologist.

Griffin Mayhew entered at 6:58.

1. Superintendent’s Report-Dr. Thomas J. Ward- Two staff members, Roger Bolduc and Sarah Reynolds, were recently awarded the Real Heroes Awards by the Red Cross.

 VIII. Budget Workshop

 Section C- Regular Education

 Section D- Special Education

 Section E- Career and Technical Education

 Section F – Other Instruction

 Section G-Student and Staff Support

 Motion to enter executive session: Irv Faunce Second: Doug Dunlap

 Vote: Unanimous

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

 Motion to authorize the Board Chair to sign and approve recommended agreement

 Cherieann Harrison Seconded: Scott Erb

 Vote: Unanimous

 Exited Executive Session 9:52pm

 Motion to enter executive session: Scott Erb Seconded: Doug Dunlap

 Vote: Unanimous

 X. Executive Session- 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6)(A) Employment of officials/appointees/employees

 Exited Executive Session 10:15pm

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**March 29, 2018-6:30pm- Board Business/Budget Meeting-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**

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

**April 5, 2018-6:30pm-Board Business/ Set Budget-The Forum-Mt. Blue Campus**