

**BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

DATE: January 18, 2017
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: BMU Library

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Act 46 Discussion with Newbury School Board**
- III. Approval of Minutes** January 4th
Approval of Orders
Administration Reports
- IV. Public Participation***
- V. Report of Committees**
 - 1. Act 46
 - 2. Negotiations
 - 3. Policy
- VI. Action Items**
-Discuss Transportation Bids
- VII. Correspondence**
- VIII. Old Business**
- IX. Executive Session (if required)**
- X. Review "To Do List"**
- XI. Setting the Next Agenda**
February 1st
- XII. Adjournment**

Board Goals for 2016-2017 (draft)

- *Over the course of the 2016-2017 school year the Board will work to navigate Blue Mountain through the process of complying with ACT 46, with the goal of working with a partner district/s towards the creation of articles of agreement by the end of the school year. The Board will also work with the community, staff, and students to involve them in the decision making process through a variety of means.*
- *Over the course of the 2016-2017 school year the Board will work towards approving the new curriculum for BMU to support a proficiency based model of teaching and learning.*
- *The Board will continue to be mindful of its fiduciary responsibilities in the operation and governance of the school district.*

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***Public Comments at Board Meetings**

The BMU Board is working to improve the response to public comments made at Board meetings. The Board reserves the right to ask visitors the following questions before they are invited to address complaints to the Board:

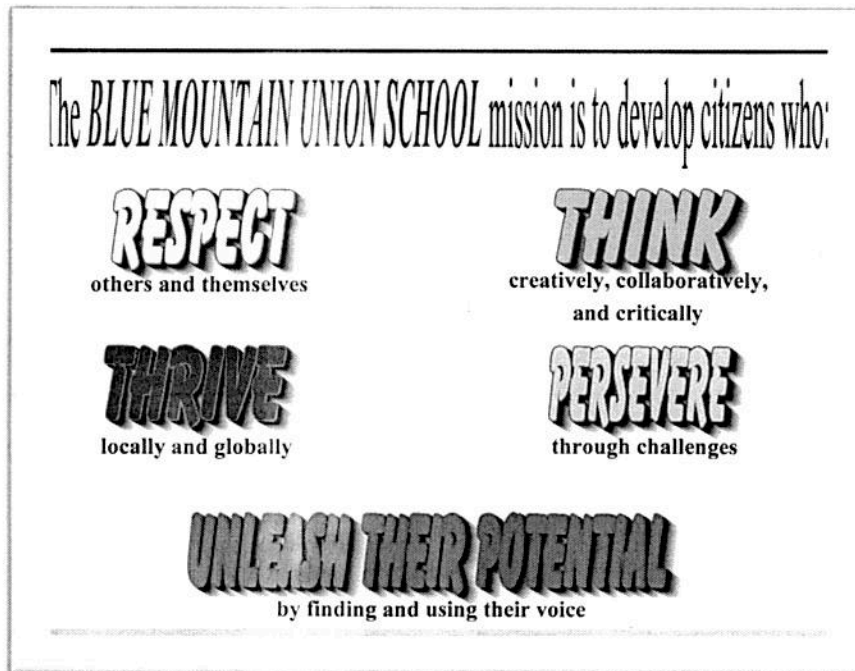
Have you directed your complaint through our "Complaint" Policy i.e.:

- Attempt to address the complaint first with teacher/staff member, and,
- If not satisfied, discuss complaint with the principal, and,
- Still not resolved, then meet with the superintendent,
- Only then, will the Board hear your concern at a Board meeting.

When speaking with the Board, if the complaint becomes personal, disrespectful, or threatening, then the Board chair may rule the speaker "Out of Order" or, if the complaint addresses specific personnel or is evaluative then the Board chair may invite the complainant into executive session, and, the Board chair may limit speaking time for each individual and ask that similar points of view from multiple speakers not be presented.

Anyone making a comment can expect a response from the Board that will fall into one of the following categories:

- Thank the person with no further action planned.
- Respond immediately by the Board chair or administration.
- Direct the administration to contact and respond to the person.
- Seek clarification from the administration at a specified meeting.
- Add the topic to a future Board agenda.
- Refer the matter to an executive session.
- Hold a public hearing on the matter.
- Send a note of appreciation.



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