

**BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**GARVIN LIBRARY**

**February 1, 2017**

Present:

Board Members: Brent Abare, Sara Dennis, Paul Hazel, Judy Murray, Julie Oliver, Wade Parker, Kelsey Root, Bruce Stevens, Chair

Administration: Emilie Knisley, Scott Blood, Lori Blood, Todd Powers

Members of the Public

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Bruce Stevens, Chair
- II. Executive Session
  - A. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Brent Abare to enter Executive Session at 7:01 PM, pursuant to VSA Title I, Section 313 a. (7) student records. Motion voted on and approved unanimously. Accompanying the Board were Emilie Knisley, Scott Blood, and Lori Blood
  - B. Motion by Brent Abare, seconded by Sara Dennis to exit Executive Session at 7:36 PM. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- III. Action
  - A. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Judy Murray to deny the request for tuition for Student A. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- IV. Act 46 Discussion (Brent Abare)
  - A. Danville Board has approved further discussions with BMU, but no date set yet
  - B. Brent Abare and Paul Jewett met with Act 46 Study Committee consultant Wayne Gersen
  - C. A representative from Thetford and a representative from Waits River are planning to be at the next Act 46 Study Committee Meeting on February 7, 2017
  - D. Discussed possible scenarios, and Board members shared their thoughts
  - E. Brent Abare and Paul Jewett will be meeting with State Rep. Chip Conquest
- V. Consent Agenda
  - A. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Kelsey Root to approve the Board minutes of January 18, 2017. Motion voted on and approved with one abstention (Sara Dennis)
  - B. Orders were approved by committee
  - C. Administrative Reports
    1. Principal Scott Blood
      - a. Financial Reality Fair planned for March 6, 2017 for high school students
      - b. Still working on schedule for next year Grades 7-12
- VI. Public Participation—None
- VII. Report of Committees
  - A. Negotiations (Bruce Stevens)
    1. Continuing to meet

## VIII. Action Items

- A. Transportation Bids still being worked on
- B. Copier Bids received from Symquest, W B mason, Office Systems of Vermont, and Conway Office Solutions
  - 1. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Wade Parker to award bid for Copier/Printers to Symquest. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- C. Motion by Julie Oliver, seconded by Judy Murray to adopt the following Policies. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
  - 1. Policy 2200--Transition into Early Essential Education
  - 2. Policy 2210—Entrance into Pre-School and Primary Grades
  - 3. Policy 2054—Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration
- D. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Kelsey Root to approve the following Procedures. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
  - 1. Procedure 2200—Transition into Early Essential Education
  - 2. Procedure 2210—Entrance into Pre-School and Primary Grades
  - 3. Procedure 2054—Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration
- E. Motion by Wade Parker, seconded by Julie Oliver to delete Policy 2600—Eighth Grade Promotion (incorporated into Policy 2054). Motion voted on and approved unanimously

IX. Correspondence—None

X. Old Business—None

XI. Review “To Do List”

A. Elections

- 1. Board members up for election were asked about their willingness to serve another term

XII. Setting the Next Agenda

- A. Next Board meeting February 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM
- B. Policy Committee will meet at 6:00 PM on February 15, 2017
- C. Pre-Board will meet at 8:00 AM on February 9, 2017
- D. Upcoming meetings
  - 1. School Board Meeting March 1, 2017
  - 2. Annual School District meeting at 7:00 PM on March 6, 2017
  - 3. School Budget vote on March 7, 2017
  - 4. School Board meeting March 15, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Perkins, Minutes Clerk