

BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

BMU GARVIN LIBRARY

February 28, 2018

Present:

Board Members: Brent Abare, Sara Dennis, Paul Hazel, Judy Murray, Wade Parker, Kelsey Root-Winchester, Josh Souliere, Bruce Stevens

Administration: Emilie Knisley, Scott Blood, Lori Blood

Members of the Public

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Bruce Stevens, Chair
- II. Cape Cod Sea Camps Presentation: Middle School Team
 - A. Four middle-school teachers and four seventh-grade students shared experiences from their October trip to the Cape Cod Sea Camps
 1. Some of the points they visited included
 - a. Plimouth Plantation
 - b. Plymouth Rock
 - c. Tidal flats
 - d. Nauset Light House
 - e. Sand Dune Tour
 - f. Woods Hole Aquarium
- III. Consent Agenda
 - A. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Judy Murray to approve the Board minutes of February 15, 2018. Motion voted on and carried with one opposed (Brent Abare) and one abstention (Kelsey Root-Winchester)
 - B. Orders will be approved by committee
 - C. Administrative Reports
 1. Business Manager Lori Blood
 - a. Shared updated general fund/revenue/expense/fund balance/surplus report FY 2018
 - b. As of now, there is a projected surplus of \$290,000
 - c. Still do not know the actual expense of the new healthcare plan
 2. Principal Scott Blood
 - a. Moving one assistant principal candidate forward to spend the day at BMU and be interviewed by various stakeholders
 - b. Mentioned assessments that will be coming up as the year goes on
 - c. Elementary grades participated in "Vermont Writes"
 - d. Will be hosting the SAT
 3. Supt. Emilie Knisley
 - a. Letter was received from Sec. Rebecca Holcomb, asking for a meeting with BMU Supt. and Board Chair
 1. Meeting will take place on March 15, 2018 at 2:00 PM

- b. Upcoming Safety Training
 - c. Working to incorporate ALICE Training, along with other schools from OESU north to the Canadian border
 - d. The Board thanked Supt. Knisley for her recent Op Ed, published in several newspapers
- IV. Public Participation--None
- V. Report of Committees
- A. Policy (Paul Hazel)
 - 1. Met briefly before tonight's meeting
 - 2. Looked at two policies that will be submitted for Board review at next meeting
 - a. Open campus for seniors
 - b. Attendance policy
- VI. Action Items
- A. Yearbook Ad
 - 1. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Sara Dennis to purchase a \$100 ad in the 2018 BMU Yearbook, congratulating the graduates on behalf of the Board. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- VII. Correspondence
- A. Letter had been received from Brent Abare regarding the special Board meeting in November, 2017
 - 1. After consulting with their attorney, the Board responded in writing, stating that the Board followed the proper procedure in warning said meeting
- VIII. Executive Session—None needed
- IX. Old Business--None
- X. Review "To Do List"—Done
- XI. Setting the Next Agenda
- A. Discussed logistics for the evening of the Annual School meeting on March 5, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Perkins, Minutes Clerk

The minutes are in draft format and are unofficial until formally approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting.