

## Blue Mountain Union School Board Meeting

Garvin Library

March 6, 2019

Present:

Board members: Angeline Alley, Chair; Sara Dennis, Paul Hazel; Allison Ingerson; Judy Murray; Kristen Murray; Julie Oliver; Wade Parker; Kelsey Root-Winchester

Administration: Bruce Williams

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Angeline Alley, Chair  
Motion by Kelsey Root-Winchester, seconded by Paul Hazel to approve the Board minutes of February 27<sup>th</sup>. It was noted that the e-mail correspondence was not attached. Julie Oliver suggested that discussion of the census, as it pertained to apportionment of Board members, should have been put in the minutes, but it will appear as an action item at a future meeting. Under IV, B, 2, it should read that "BMU, Oxbow, and Thetford will meet so all three schools will be working under the same Proficiency Based Graduation policy". Section XII, B should read "a different Sped model for the SU." Motion voted on and approved as corrected with three abstentions (Kristen Murray, Allison Ingerson, Sara Dennis.
- II. New Board members Allison Ingerson from Groton and Kristen Murray from Ryegate were welcomed to the Board
- III. Technology Update (Bruce Williams)
  - A. Meeting monthly with tech people from all 6 schools. This group has helped the administration decide that our own internal tech people can help with issues and solve some of the systems issues. This will save an expense for the time being. It is necessary to purchase a new data system: Infinite Campus. The contract was signed late last week. The cloud-based system will be used by the entire district and will include training. Mr. Williams commented that the Blue Mountain Tech Department is in really good shape.
- IV. Budget Update
  - A. Since the budget passed, this does not need to be discussed
- V. Correspondence
  - A. Received letter of resignation from Jonathan Helland, effective the last day of his contract
- VI. Action
  - A. Motion by Paul Hazel, seconded by Sara Dennis to accept the resignation of Jonathan Helland with regret. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- VII. Executive Session—none needed
- VIII. Other Business
  - A. The State Board of Education will be meeting at BMU on March 20<sup>th</sup> in the library
    1. Board members, students, and community members are invited to attend any part of the meeting

B. The Judge did not grant a temporary stay to the school districts wishing to avoid implementation of final mergers, which has implications that the case has less chance that the decision would go in favor of the plaintiffs. The House voted to give a one-year delay in implementing the mergers. The Senate has not yet acted.

- IX. Setting the next agenda
  - A. The Board does not need a meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup>, so will meet next on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM
  - B. Decide on day and time of Board meetings
  - C. Set the Board pay and Board reorganization
  - D. Census Question
  - E. Updates on Class Schedule and Calendar
  - F. Next year BMU needs to get a waiver for transportation and Food Director to be kept at the District level instead of at the OESU level
  - G. The Board will invite the Special Ed Director to attend the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting so she can be asked questions that the Board has raised
- X. Update To Do List
  - A. Remove MOA and VSBA Policies, and Tech Update from List, as they have been dealt with
  - B. New Board Member Training can be done on line
- XI. Retreat
  - A. Will plan a retreat at a later date. At the retreat, the Board will discuss policies and Special Education
- XII. Comments from Burr and Burton
  - A. When Burr and Burton came to play basketball here, parents and students commented on the cleanliness and condition of our school. We should have a lot of pride in our school!

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Perkins, Minutes Clerk

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