

**BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
GARVIN LIBRARY
September 16, 2015**

Present:

Board Members: Angeline Alley, Chair; Sara Dennis, Nicole Guida, Paul Hazel,
Judy Murray, Josh Souliere, Bruce Stevens

Administration: Emilie Knisley, Scott Blood, Donna Waelter, Lori Blood
Members of the Public

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Angeline Alley, Chair
- II. Consent Agenda
 - a. Motion by Bruce Stevens, seconded by Sara Dennis to approve the Board minutes of August 31, 2015, September 2, 2015, and September 9, 2015.
Motion voted on and approved unanimously
 - b. Orders were approved by committee
 - c. Administration Reports
 - i. Business Manager Lori Blood
 1. Finances look in good shape
 2. Will make second payment on our loan in December, which leaves three more payments
 3. Education Fund money expected soon, as well as tax revenues from Ryegate
 4. Audit next Tuesday and Wednesday
 - ii. Supt. Emilie Knisley
 1. Has spent time updating policies and looking at agendas
 2. She and Principal Blood are working at revising the Supervision and Evaluation schedule
 3. Met with Beth Cobb, OESU Supt., and attended the initial meeting with Act 46 study consultant
 - a. On October 7th a consultant hired by the State to do our Act 46 study will be coming to give a presentation on Act 46, a timeline of study, and will answer questions
 - iii. SPED Coordinator Donna Waelter
 1. IDEA-B Grant was submitted
 2. Scheduling and time studies being worked on
- III. Public Participation—None
- IV. Report of Committees
 - a. Policy Committee (Paul Hazel)
 - i. Worked on policies on
 1. Harassment, Hazing, and Bullying
 2. Graduation

- V. Action Items
 - a. Motion by Bruce Stevens, seconded by Josh Souliere to approve the Fund Raising Calendar as presented, with the addition of Youth Basketball in December. Motion voted on approved unanimously
 - b. Motion by Bruce Stevens, seconded by Josh Souliere to approve the Memorandum of Agreement—Supervision and Evaluation (Support Staff). Motion voted on and approved unanimously
- VI. Correspondence
 - a. Thank you notes received from Emilie Knisley for the gas card in recognition of her 10 yrs. of service at BMU and from Sarah Despins for the gas card in recognition of her 15 years of service at BMU
- VII. Executive Session—None needed
- VIII. Review “To Do List”
 - a. IDEA-B Grant—October 27th Board meeting
 - b. October 7th --consultant hired by the State will present an overview of Act 46 at 7:00 PM
 - c. Discussed various ideas for getting information out to the public regarding Act 46
- IX. Setting the Next Agenda
 - a. Early Retirement Notification
 - i. Employees must notify the Board by December 1st to be eligible for Early Retirement benefits
 - b. Board Retreat—October 14th from 5:00-9:00 PM at Wells River UCC Church

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 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.