BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
GARVIN LIBRARY
February 15, 2012

Present:
School Board Members: Chip Conquest, Leo Cota, Hank Eaton, Ron Phillips,
        Brenda Powers, Bruce Stevens
Administration: Brian Rayburn, Lucas Barrett
Public: Cindy Boyce, Lindsay Hard, Jennifer Kidder, Toni Racine, Kerri Williamson
Staff: Gayle Renfrew

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Bruce Stevens, Chair
II. Consent Agenda
   a. Motion by Hank Eaton, seconded by Leo Cota to approve the minutes of
      February 1, 2012. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
   b. Orders were approved by committee
III. Administration Reports
   a. Principal Brian Rayburn presented a written report and highlighted several
      points:
         i. Professional Development plans for end of year
         ii. 51.6% of our 2010 graduates are enrolled in higher education
         iii. Cheryl Lakin has accepted position of Part-time Speech Language
              Assistant and Part-time para educator
         iv. BMU has higher percentage of students needing special education
             services than statewide average, but we are doing this at a lower
             cost
         v. NECAP scores were reviewed
   b. Business Manager Lucas Barrett
      i. Reported on the audit and various financial matters
IV. Old Business—NONE
V. Public Participation
   a. After School Program
      i. Cindy Boyce, Lindsay Hard, Toni Racine, and Kerri Williamson
         presented a proposal for an after school program to be held at
         BMU
      ii. Vermont Mathematics Initiative
         1. Gayle Renfrew, who is currently in a Masters program
            through VMI, shared the goals of the program and some of
            her experiences
VI. New Business
   a. By consensus, the Board voted to cancel the order for glycol for the
      heating system at this time
   b. Bruce Stevens, Chair, presented Ron Phillips a certificate from VSBA in
      recognition of his nine years of service on the School Board
VII. Action Items
a. Allowable Tuition Agreement—TABLED
b. Motion by Hank Eaton, seconded by Leo Cota to adopt the following policies and approve the following procedure. Motion voted on and approved unanimously
   i. 2051 High School Graduation
   ii. 2054 Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration Policy
   iii. 2054Pr Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration Policy

VIII. Correspondence
a. Mr. Rayburn shared a message from Sandy Parker expressing appreciation for the recently published newsletter
   i. The Board members also said how pleased they were with the efforts and the result

IX. Committee Reports
a. Support Staff Evaluation committee met prior to tonight’s Board meeting, and evaluation forms were completed for approval of the Board and the BMEA
b. Building & Grounds Committee met prior to the meeting, giving approval for the garden being planned by Anne Bergeron and the Rowland Foundation group
c. Negotiations Committee will meet at 4:30 PM tomorrow
d. Policy Committee will meet March 7th at 6:00 PM

X. Review “To Do List”—DONE

XI. Setting the Next Agenda—DONE

XII. Executive Session
a. Motion by Ron Phillips, seconded by Leo Cota to move into Executive Session at 9:00 PM pursuant to VSA Title 1, Section 313 a. (7) suspension or discipline of students. Motion voted on and approved unanimously. Accompanying the Board was Principal Brian Rayburn.
b. Motion Leo Cota, seconded by Ron Phillips to exit Executive Session at 9:12 PM. Motion voted on and approved unanimously.

XIII. Action
a. Motion by Ron Phillips, seconded by Leo Cota to suspend Student A for a period of 90 school days beginning on February 16, 2012. After the 90-day period, the Board will review Student A’s behavior and progress before returning to BMU in the fall of 2012. Motion voted on and approved unanimously.

Voted to adjourn at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy N. Perkins, Minutes Clerk

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