



Mt. Blue Regional School District
227 Main Street | Farmington, ME 04938
(207) 778-6571 | (Fax) 778-4160

Chesterville | Farmington | Industry | New Sharon | New Vineyard | Starks | Temple | Vienna | Weld | Wilton

Operations Committee Agenda NOTES
Operations & Maintenance Standing Committee Description

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
The RSU 9 District Office | Main Street, Farmington

Members Present: Ruth Gauvin, Patty Hastings, Greg Kimber, Gerald Provencher

Members Absent:

Other Members Present: Gwen Doak, Doug Hiltz

Staff Present: Christian Elkington, Monique Poulin

**Action Item - Requires a Vote: The Committee must collectively decide to approve, reject, amend, or table the item. Decisions on action items are recorded in the official minutes.*

I. Preliminary Business

- A. Call to Order - Superintendent Elkington as Chair Pro Tem
- B. [School Board Member Core Responsibilities and Requirements](#)
- C. *Call for Nominations and Votes - Superintendent Elkington as Chair Pro Tem
 - 1. Committee Chair - no seconds needed
 - a) Patty Hastings nominated Gerry Provencher; all in favor, other than the nominee who abstained.
 - 2. Committee Vice Chair ("New" Chair) - no seconds needed
 - a) Gerry Provencher nominated Greg Kimber; all in favor.
- D. [Standing Committee Description](#) - Elkington
- E. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes - approved at 6/23/2026 Board meeting
 - 1. [June 2, 2026](#)
 - a) Any questions
 - 2. Notes approval discussion - Elkington
 - a) Order of approval
 - (i) Proposal
 - (ii) Decisions stand
 - (iii) Wait for the following mtg. to approve notes by the committee
 - (iv) Discussion/Questions
 - b) Proposal: All committee meeting notes will be reviewed during the first scheduled board meeting of the month. Voting on these proposals will occur during the second board meeting of that same month.

II. Updates - Director Ibarguen (Elkington stand-in)

- A. Work Progress Highlights
 - 1. Building Cleaning
 - a) Summer cleaning is going well.
 - 2. Building Specifics (AHS/GDCS, Adult Ed, CBS, CCHS, WGMS, MBMS, MBC)
 - a) [FY26](#)
 - b) [FY27](#)
 - (i) These lists were reviewed with the committee.
 - (ii) Although no formal annual tracking system exists, persistent concerns regarding field conditions have been noted. This will be addressed further

in upcoming discussions with the Boosters following-up the Board approval of the potential turf field.

3. Pellet Boilers
 - a) CBS
 - (i) Some parts are in and are waiting for other parts. We will not remove any piping unless it is necessary for the functionality of the system.
 - b) Mallett/CCHS
 - (i) Waiting for a couple of items to come in.
4. Incident IQ
 - a) Transition is going well
 - b) Work tickets can be tracked in multiple ways
 - c) We can easily add pictures of concerns now
 - d) Mike Turner is able to much more easily oversee all projects in the software by staff member to gauge progress etc.
5. Staffing
 - a) One custodian position just opened
6. 10-year Plan
 - a) Split large projects (\$250,000 or more) from plan
 - b) We will start to draft large projects for possible future Bond for several school needs
 - (i) This draft will be shared at the next meeting.
 - (ii) Our debt has decreased significantly over the past few years.
 - (iii) Need to take a serious look at our own special private school needs
 - (a) Maybe work together with other Franklin County Districts.
7. AHS Field Repair
 - a) 2 times
 - (i) 1st repair (smaller in-house)
 - (ii) 2nd repair (larger worked with our grounds contractor)
 - b) Swing Gate Purchase
 - (i) Had to purchase to cut out easy trespass concern
8. School Signage by August 26th
 - a) Signs related to safety should be in place by the start of the school year.

III. New

- A. [DEP Mallett](#) FYI!
- B. [District stormwater Management Systems](#) FYI!
 1. We will need to have our system recertified.
- C. Fire protection
 1. Siemens FYI!
 - a) Considering an RFP for an alternate company for fire protection and suppression inspection and maintenance.

IV. Adjournment

- I. Next Meeting - September 1, 2026
- II. Adjourn Meeting at 5:57.

Future Agenda Items:

- Sept
 - Sprinkler difficiencies
 - Recycled pavement
 - Draft large projects
 - Potential Bond discussion
- Share 911