

2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

Blue Mountain Union School District #21

Wells River, Vermont

March 3, 2025

The legal voters of Blue Mountain Union School District #21 met in the Garvin Library at Blue Mountain, March 3, 2025. Kelsey Root-Winchester called the meeting to order at 6pm, with 20 people in person and one via zoom (including school board members and administrator).

Article 1: Election of Officers

- Brian Emerson of Wells River, VT was nominated for Moderator and was then elected.
- Lauren Nelson of Ryegate, VT was nominated for Clerk and was then elected.
- Dena Baker of Groton, Vt was nominated for Treasurer and was then elected.

Article 2: Action on the report of the Blue Mountain School District

- Richard Roderick of Wells River thanks the board for the addition of email addresses to the report.
- Richard Roderick of Wells River asked about the 5 students from Newbury listed in the report. They are either exchange students of children of BMU employees.
- Kelsey Root-Winchester of Wells River thanked the School Counselors for their work at their very comprehensive jobs.
- Richard Roderick of Wells River thought it may be more useful to list the staff by grade instead of alphabetical. He would also like to see the list of salaries included in the report again. Dan LaCoss of Ryegate responded to Richard that the salaries are a matter of public record and a request at the Superintendent's office would produce that info.
- A printed correction to the budget has been made and mailed to all voters. Copies of this printout have been made available for this meeting.
- Jenny Nelson of Ryegate asked about the increase to the Principal's Budget line. Bobbi Peck, school employee noted that most of that addition came from a reduction in the Guidance Dept line.
- The Annual Report was accepted as published.

Article 3: Authorization to borrow money

- Motion was made by Richard Roderick of Wells River, Allana Page of Ryegate 2nd, and the article was passed.

Article 4- Transact other business

- Motion was made by Richard Roderick of Wells River, Allana Page of Ryegate 2nd, and the article was passed.

Meeting was adjourned a 6:37pm after a motion from Richard Roderick of Wells River and 2nd by Jeff Haslett of Ryegate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Nelson, District Clerk