

**MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON
NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Carl Breeze, a retired district maintenance employee, and Christian Papenmeier, a student at Mt. Vernon High School, who both passed away recently.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT HEARING

In accordance to Public Law 148-2012, this meeting served as a hearing on the superintendent's proposed contract. There was one comment heard from the public, in support of Dr. Kopatich, and no additional Board discussion or public input.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

SPELL BOWL

The MVHS Spell Bowl Team recently won the Spell Bowl Area Competition. Currently, they are ranked 1st place in Big 8 Conference, 6th in Class II – statewide, and 29th of all participating high schools. Members include: Faith Alldredge, Aurora Augulis, Merrie Fischback, Zen Fulton, Jared Henning, William Hershey, Jo Kloeping, David Pruden, Katelyn Sizemore, and Emily Tapley.

DEBIT REWARD CARD PROGRAM

The Board entered into a debit reward card program agreement with the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union as recommended.

RESIGNATION

The Board accepted the resignation from Don Jackson as a bus driver effective October 28, 2013.

EMPLOYMENT

The Board confirmed the employment of:

- Sharon Berry - custodian, high school
- Sarah Henning - teacher assistant, Marris
- Robert McBride - building maintenance technician, high school
- Stacy Ross - bus attendant/substitute bus driver

NURSES AND HOME SCHOOL ADVISORS' WAGES AND BENEFITS

The Board approved the revised Management and Non-Unit wage and benefit package for 2013-14 reflecting the 2.1329% one-time stipend for nurses and home school advisors as recommended.

BUS PURCHASES – PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE

The Board granted permission to advertise a notice to bidders on November 13 and 20, 2013 for purchase of two 84-passenger transit-type school buses. The buses will be purchased from the 2014 Bus Replacement Fund as per the 2014-2025 Bus Replacement Plan recently adopted by the Board.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information to the Board included ISTEP Science scores, the Lunch Menu for November, Secured Safe Schools matching grant award, FFA National Convention in Louisville, and results of the Indiana State Band Competition where the MVHS Marching Wildcats placed 10th in the state in Class C.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Monday, November 18, 2013 at 5:45 p.m.
Monday, December 2, 2013 at 5:45 p.m.
Monday, December 16, 2013 at 5:45 p.m.

All meetings will be held at Mt. Vernon Jr. High School.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

- Marris Active Shooter Drill – November 14, 2013 – 3:30 p.m.
- Parent Common Core Meeting – November 21, 2013 – JHS 5:15 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session immediately after the regular meeting.