

**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON
MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session prior to the regular meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

The Board of School Trustees elected officers for 2016 as follows:

President:	Mark Isaac
Vice President:	Kathy Weinzapfel
Secretary:	Beth McFadin Higgins

As part of its routine organizational duties to start the new year, the Board:

- set regular meeting dates for the first and third Mondays of each month at 5:45 p.m.
- set School Board salaries at \$1,936 per year, \$109 for the second regular meeting of each month, and \$60 for special meetings
- set business mileage reimbursement at 46 cents per mile for 2016
- appointed Mary Buchanan as treasurer and Loren Evans as deputy treasurer for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2016
- appointed the law firm of Van Haaften and Farrar to serve as legal counsel for the school corporation for 2016
- adopted various financial resolutions for 2016 including resolutions authorizing the use of signature stamps and signature images and authorizing checks to be issued in advance. Corporate and investment account resolutions were also adopted.

BUS PURCHASES

The Board accepted the bids from Kerlin Bus Sales to authorize purchase of one 72-passenger transit-style school bus and one 30 passenger special purpose bus with wheelchair lift and air conditioning for a total of \$202,393.00 to be paid from the 2016 Bus Replacement Fund as recommended.

RETIREMENT

The Board accepted the intent to retire from Glenda Sue Word as a food service worker effective December 18, 2015.

RESIGNATION

The Board accepted the resignation from Curtis Nelson as a teacher effective December 16, 2015.

EMPLOYMENT

The Board confirmed the employment of Mary Esker as a teacher assistant.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Board granted Teresa Crissup a leave of absence as a teacher assistant to become a long term substitute for a teacher on pregnancy leave beginning January 4, 2016 with an estimated end date of May 26, 2016.

STUDENT SUNDAY ACTIVITY REQUESTS

The Board granted permission to Angelus to perform on Sunday, February 7, 2016 in Jasper and to the Business Professionals of America high school students to travel to state competition in Indianapolis on Sunday, March 6, 2016.

BUS DRIVERS/ATTENDANTS AGREEMENT

The Board approved an agreement with Teamsters Local 215 for wage and benefits for school district bus drivers and bus attendants for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

The Board approved an agreement with Teamsters Local 215 for wage and benefits for custodial and maintenance personnel for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information to the Board included:

- School Lunch Fund Report – November, 2015
- School Lunch Menu – January, 2016
- Contract bus drivers' fuel adjustment chart
- Extracurricular Financial Reports for June – November 2015