

**MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON
NOVEMBER 19, 2018**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the Mount Vernon Marching Wildcats on a 7th place finish at State Finals. The band has not been to State Finals since 2013 and has never finished with a placement higher than 10th in the history of performing in ISSMA (Indiana State School Music Association). Congratulations to the Marching Wildcats!

The Mt. Vernon High School Spell Bowl team competed recently at the Indiana Academic Spell Bowl State Finals at Purdue University and placed third. The team consisted of: Paul Campbell, Haley Curtis, Jasmyne Emerson, Felicitie Flemmings, Sydney Friedman, Alison Gansman, Elizabeth Green, Sam Heckman, Emilee Hogan, Kaitlyn Mansfield, and Logan Mayes.

RESIGNATIONS

The Board accepted resignations from:

Cassandra Houchin	food services – HS – effective November 2, 2018
Melissa Howard	custodian – JH – effective November 16, 2018

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board confirmed the employment of:

Nicholas Burton	food services – HS
Gregory Givens	Information Systems Specialist – district-wide
Melinda LaRue	custodian – HS
Dane Wilson	assistant coach – wrestling – HS 1/2 stipend

RETIREMENTS

The following personnel have submitted their intent to retire at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Janice Kopatich – teacher – West – 24 years of service
Dr. Thomas Kopatich – Superintendent of Schools – 25 years of service
Marcia Smith – teacher assistant – West – 33.5 years of service

LEASING AGREEMENTS

The Board authorized leasing sections of Hedges Central School by the Posey County Domestic Violence Taskforce (Willowtree) renewing for a period of thirteen (13) months beginning December 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; a new lease agreement for Bellefontaine Cemetery for a period of one year beginning December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019; and Mt. Vernon Food Pantry renewing for three years beginning December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2021.

CONSULTING AGREEMENT

The Board authorized a consulting agreement with Equitable Education Solutions, LLC as recommended.

INSURANCE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board contracted with the following insurance providers and set premiums as recommended:

- Health – Cypress Benefit Administrators – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2019
- Health – Pareto Captive Services/HCC – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2019 with health plan premiums increasing by \$120/month (single) and \$300/month (family) for all non-tobacco and tobacco plans effective 1/1/2019
- Dental – HRI Dental – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2020
- Vision – VSP – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2022
- Group Term Life/AD&D, Long Term Disability, and Voluntary Life Insurance – One America/AUL – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2020
- Section 125 and voluntary insurance – American Fidelity – 1/1/2019 through 12/31/2019

SUNDAY USE OF FACILITY REQUEST

The Board granted permission to the Mt. Vernon Police Department to use the high school for training purposes on Sunday, January 6, 2019 as requested.

SURPLUS LIST

The Board declared recommended items as surplus.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information to the Board included:

- Farmersville Falcon News
- Self-Insurance Fund report – Oct.
- School Lunch Fund reports – Aug. (revised), Sept. & Oct.
- contract bus route – bid tabulation summary

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Monday, December 3, 2018 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, December 17, 2018 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, January 7, 2019 at 5:45 p.m.

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

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

Instrumental and Vocal Music Winter Concert at the high school PAC

Monday, December 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 19 – last day of Semester I for students