

January 4, 2021

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon, Indiana met in a regular meeting on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 5:45 p.m. at Mt. Vernon Senior High School, 700 Harriett Street, Mt. Vernon, Indiana.

Present were Board members Mark Isaac, Beth McFadin Higgins, Greg Oeth, Joe Rutledge, and Kathy Weinzapfel; administrators Loren Evans, Director of Business and Technology, and Matt Thompson, Superintendent of Schools; and Rick Jesch representing the NEA.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Dr. Matt Thompson and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Certificates of Election for Beth McFadin Higgins and Joe Rutledge were presented and Loren Evans, Notary Public, administered the oaths of office.

The certificates of election and oaths of office are attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting.

The Board of School Trustees elected officers for 2021 as follows:

President Beth McFadin Higgins was nominated by Joe Rutledge and a motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation was made by Mark Isaac and seconded by Joe Rutledge.

President Beth McFadin Higgins conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Vice President Greg Oeth was nominated by Mark Isaac and a motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation was made by Kathy Weinzapfel and seconded by Joe Rutledge.

Secretary Mark Isaac was nominated by Kathy Weinzapfel and a motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation was made by Joe Rutledge and seconded by Greg Oeth.

The Board:

1. set regular meeting dates for the first and third Monday of each month at 5:45 p.m. (Rutledge-Isaac)
2. set School Board salaries at \$2,000 per year, \$112 for the second regular meeting of each month, and \$62 for special meetings; adopted the resolution concerning compensation for Board members; and set business mileage reimbursement at 46 cents per mile as recommended. The Board compensation resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Oeth-Weinzapfel) (Isaac – yes; McFadin Higgins – yes; Oeth – yes; Rutledge – yes; Weinzapfel - yes)
3. appointed Kimberley Morton as treasurer and Loren Evans as deputy treasurer for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2021. (Oeth-Weinzapfel)
4. appointed the law firm of Van Haaften and Farrar to serve as legal counsel for the school corporation for 2021 with the hourly rate and conditions as defined in the letter from Mr. Farrar dated December 30, 2020. The letter is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Isaac-Rutledge)

5. adopted a resolution permitting the specified use of signature stamps; adopted a resolution permitting the use of signature images to sign checks by the treasurer and deputy treasurer for the school district; and granted permission to write checks in advance of Board approval to take advantage of discounts and to make advance payments for current vouchers when necessary to serve the best interests of the school corporation. The three resolutions are attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Rutledge-Oeth)

6. adopted a corporate resolution authorizing the following persons to manage the following accounts:

Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon:

Kimberley Morton, Treasurer and Loren Evans, Deputy Treasurer
Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon School Lunch Fund
Extracurricular Account:

Carol Evans, Treasurer or Angel Tucker and countersigned by
Jennifer Ritzert, Deputy Treasurer or Kimberley Morton.

Farmersville Elementary School Extracurricular Account:

Natosha Bruner, Principal and countersigned by Tisha Koressel,
Treasurer

Marrs Elementary School Extracurricular Account:

Katie Bushard, Principal and countersigned by Traci Baldwin,
Treasurer

West Elementary School Extracurricular Account:

Amanda Wilson, Principal and countersigned by Amber Krieger,
Treasurer

Mt. Vernon Junior High School Extracurricular Account:

Marc Hostetter, Principal or Staci Reese, Assistant Principal, and
countersigned by Jamie Woods, Treasurer

Mt. Vernon Senior High School Extracurricular Account:

Kyle Jones, Principal or Justin Fischer, Assistant Principal and
countersigned by Angel Tucker, Treasurer or Dawn Luckett

Mt. Vernon Senior High School Athletic Account:

Leigh Ann Latshaw, Athletic Director or Kyle Jones, Principal and
countersigned by Dawn Luckett, Treasurer or Angel Tucker

MSD of Mt. Vernon Charity Gaming Account:

Leigh Ann Latshaw, Athletic Director or Kyle Jones, Principal and
countersigned by Dawn Luckett, Treasurer or Angel Tucker

The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting.
(Weinzapfel-Rutledge)

7. adopted a resolution authorizing the school district treasurer to invest surplus funds and to establish investment income accounts for the receipts of said interest income for calendar year 2021. The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Oeth-Rutledge)

The Board:

8. approved the minutes of December 21, 2020 as prepared and authorized payment of payroll checks 358192 through 358572, voucher checks 137654 through 137705, and electronic transfers ET002234 through ET002245. The voucher list is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Isaac-Weinzapfel)
9. adopted revised policies: 200.01, 200.02, 200.04, 200.05, 200.06, 201.01, 201.02, 201.05, 201.06, 201.07, 202.01, 202.02, and 202.04, and note policies 200.07 and 202.03 as reviewed as recommended. The revised and reviewed policies are attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Rutledge-Oeth)

10. accepted the resignations from the following employees, effective immediately:

- Amber Howard – teacher assistant study hall – HS
- Samantha Pepmeier – science teacher – HS and assistant coach volleyball – JH
(Isaac-Oeth)

11. granted Abbey Mitchell a nonpaid pregnancy leave of absence from January 19, 2021 through March 19, 2021 as requested. (Weinzapfel-Isaac)

12. granted permission to advertise for sale of surplus items as recommended.
(Rutledge-Isaac)

Information to the Board included certified budget history and School Lunch Fund reports for September thru November 2020.

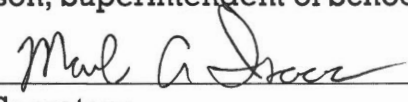
Future Board meetings were set for:

Monday, January 18, 2021 at 5:45 p.m.
Monday, February 1, 2021 at 5:45 p.m.
Monday, February 15, 2021 at 5:45 p.m.

All meetings held at Mt. Vernon Senior High School.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were prepared by Matt Thompson, Superintendent of Schools.


Secretary