

January 3, 2023

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon, Indiana met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 5:45 p.m. at Mt. Vernon Senior High School, 700 Harriett Street, Mt. Vernon, Indiana.

Present were Board members Kendra Bisesi, Beth McFadin Higgins, Greg Oeth, and Joe Rutledge with Mark Isaac attending virtually via FaceTime; administrators Bo Harris, 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 Kendra Bisesi, Mark Isaac, and Greg Oeth were presented, and Bo Harris, 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.

Due to the virtual attendance of a Board member all votes were taken by roll call and were unanimous unless otherwise indicated. Members of the public were able to attend via the link located at www.mvschool.org

The Board of School Trustees elected officers for 2023 as follows:

President Mark Isaac was nominated by Joe Rutledge and a motion to close nominations and elect by roll call vote was made by Greg Oeth and seconded by Beth McFadin Higgins.

President Mark Isaac conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Vice President Joe Rutledge was nominated by Beth McFadin Higgins and a motion to close nominations and elect by roll call vote was made by Kendra Bisesi and Greg Oeth.

Secretary Beth McFadin Higgins was nominated by Kendra Bisesi and a motion to close nominations and elect by roll call vote 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. (McFadin Higgins – Bisesi)
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 49 cents per mile as recommended. The Board compensation resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Oeth – McFadin Higgins)
3. appointed Kimberley Morton as treasurer and Bo Harris as deputy treasurer for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2023. (Bisesi – Isaac; with Oeth abstaining)
4. appointed the law firm of Van Haaften and Farrar to serve as legal counsel for the school corporation for 2023 with the hourly rate and conditions as defined in the letter from Mr. Farrar dated November 18, 2022. The letter is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (McFadin Higgins – Oeth)

5. adopted the resolution permitting the specified use of signature stamps. The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting.
(Oeth – Bisesi)
6. adopted a resolution permitting the use of signature images to sign checks by the treasurer and deputy treasurer for the school district. The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting.
(McFadin Higgins – Isaac)
7. 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.
(McFadin Higgins – Bisesi)
8. adopted a corporate resolution authorizing the following persons to manage the following accounts:

Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon:

Kimberley A. Morton, Treasurer and Bo Harris, 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 A. Morton

Farmersville Elementary School Extracurricular Account:

Kristen Dutkiewicz, 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 Ashley Nichols, 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.
(McFadin Higgins – Bisesi; with Oeth abstaining)

9. 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 2023. The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Oeth – McFadin Higgins)
10. approved the minutes of December 19, 2022 as prepared and authorized payment of payroll checks 377020 through 377401, voucher checks 141338 through 141405, and electronic transfers ET002706 through ET002713. The voucher list is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting.
(Oeth – Isaac)
11. rejected all bids for the contracted bus routes as recommended.
(McFadin Higgins – Isaac)
12. adopted a resolution permitting personnel listed to attend educational meetings. The resolution is attached to, and made part of, the minutes of this meeting. (Bisesi – Oeth)

Information to the Board included January Menus and indoor facility update.

Future Board meetings were set for:

Monday, January 16, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, February 6, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, February 20, 2023 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

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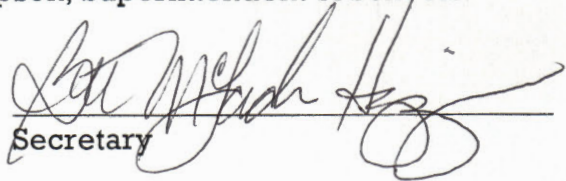
The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon met in Executive Session on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 immediately after the regular meeting at Mt. Vernon High School, 700 Harriett Street, Mt. Vernon, Indiana.

Those in attendance were Board members Kendra Bisesi, Beth McFadin Higgins, Greg Oeth, and Joe Rutledge with Mark Isaac attending virtually via FaceTime; administrators Bo Harris, Director of Business and Technology and Matt Thompson, Superintendent of Schools.

The Board met with respect to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 Section (2) for discussion of strategy with respect to (D) the purchase or lease of real property by the governing body up to the time a contract or option to purchase or lease is executed.

The Board discussed no subject matter in the executive session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice.

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