

Mt. Vernon Board of School Trustees

Mt. Vernon Board of School Trustees
Mt. Vernon Administrative Service Center
Monday, August 17, 2020
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Present: Mr. Greg Rollo, Director of Technology; Mrs. Gwen Scrogam, Board Secretary; Mrs. Maria Bond, Communications Director; Mrs. Laura Durig, SpEd Director; Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President; Mr. Tony May, Board Member; Mr. Mike McCarty, Board Member; Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent; Mr. Derek Shelton, Director of Operations; Mr. Chris Smedley, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Beth Smith, Board Member; Mrs. Shannon Walls, Board Member; Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Absent: Mr. Scott Shipley, Director of Curriculum; Lisa Heitman, Finance Dept

1 Pledge of Allegiance (7:00 P.M.)

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Freeman changed the order of the agenda and started by honoring the 2020 Retirees: Dan Brinker (30.5 Years); Patty Calder (15 Years); Cindy Carmack (37 Years); John Davis (17 Years); Donna Dillon (10 Years); Joe Freeman (41 Years); Nedra Herbert (18 Years); Emily Rogers (16 Years); Kim Tillett (15 Years) and Michelle White (17 Years).

Dr Parker presented clocks in honor of their retirement to Joe Freeman, Nedra Herber, Emily Rogers and Donna Dillon. He thanked them for their years of service to Mt. Vernon.

2 Call to Order

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Mrs. Freeman led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Walls made a motion to adopt the agenda as revised. Mrs. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

4 Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

There were none.

5 Public Hearing: 2021 Bus Replacement Plan

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

The Public Hearing on the 2021 Bus Replacement Plan was opened. Mrs. Freeman stated the notice for the hearing was published as legally required in the Greenfield Daily Reporter on July 24, 2020 with the plan being made available for public viewing on the corporation's website. Pursuant to Indiana Code 20-40-18, following the public hearing, the officers of Mt. Vernon Community School Corporation may adopt the proposed plan as presented. She turned the hearing over to Mr. Elkins. Mr. Elkins informed board members that the corporation will be trading in five buses and purchasing five buses. The quotes and specs were approved by the board at their May 18, 2020 regular meeting for a total purchase cost of \$661,565.00. The corporation is required to list bus inventory for a rolling period of five years with the life of a bus anticipated to be twelve years. If the proposed bus replacement plan is adopted by resolution, the resolution will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance.

Mrs. Freeman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak regarding the 2021 Bus Replacement Plan. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

Attachments:

[2021 Bus Replacement Schedule 1 .pdf](#)

6 Action Item

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

6.1 Resolution 2020-25 Adoption of Bus Replacement Plan Budget Year 2021

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-25 Adoption of Bus Replacement Plan Budget Year 2021. Mr. May seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION 2020-25 ADOPTION OF BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN.docx](#)

7 Public Hearing: 2021 Capital Projects Plan

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mrs. Freeman opened the Public Hearing: 2021 Capital Projects Plan. She stated the notice of this public hearing was published as legally required in the Greenfield Daily Reporter on July 24, 2020 with the plan being made available for public viewing on the corporation's website. Pursuant to Indiana Code 20-40-18-6, following this public hearing, the officers of Mt. Vernon Community School Corporation may adopt the proposed plan as

presented. She turned the hearing over to Mr. Elkins. Mr. Elkins stated the corporation is legally required to list any projects or capital asset purchases which might be paid for from the Operations Fund for Budget Year 2021 if the anticipated amount is \$10,000 or more. The plans does not obligate us to expend those funds and the plan could be amended as need with board approval. Several items on recent plans, including mechanical, electrical, heating/cooling and roofing are being addressed as part of our 2020 Stewardship Project, with regular maintenance of those improvements to be part of our ongoing capital plan. If the proposed capital projects plan is adopted, the resolution will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance.

Mrs. Freeman asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak regarding the 2021-2023 Capital Projects Plan. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

Attachments:

[2021-2023 Capital Projects Plan.pdf](#)

8 Action Item

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

8.1 Resolution 2020-26 Adoption of 2021 Capital Projects Plan Budget Year 2021

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mr. McCarty made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-26 Adoption of Capital Projects Plan Budget Year 2021. Mrs. Walls seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION 2020-26 ADOPTION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN 1 .docx](#)

9 Reports

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

9.1 Good News

Mrs. Maria Bond, Communications Director

Minutes:

Mrs. Bond shared the following Good News:

1. MVHS Jag Program was recognized with the Multiplying Good Foundation's "One in a Million" Award which recognizes/rewards acts of service that benefit the community.
2. The Mt. Vernon Education Foundation awarded Mrs. Ashley Schenck (MCE-5th Grade Teacher) as the Teacher of the Year for 2019-2020 and Veronica Kirby (FES- Technology Associate) as the Staff of the Year.
3. MVCSC received 500 cloth masks from the organization Sew and Service.
4. Girl Scouts of Central Indiana named all school staff as "heroes" and donated a box of cookies for every staff member.

5. MVEF held their "Black & Gold Gala" recently with early numbers showing the fundraiser will have exceeded last year's Gala net profits. These funds are used to support educational experiences and programs for students.
6. Several Fortville area churches sponsored a school supply drive.
7. Hamilton Exhibits donated a Temporary Quarantine Room for MVMS which provides two safe areas in one designated isolation room.
8. Family Leisure donated a large umbrella for shade for the FES Sensory Garden.

Attachments:

[8-2020 Board Report.pdf](#)

9.2 2020 Retirees

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

Dan Brinker	MVHS Custodian	30.5 Years
Patty Calder	MVHS Athletic Secretary	15 Years
Cindy Carmack	FES Secretary	37 Years
John Davis	Technology Associate	17 Years
Donna Dillon	MCE Head Custodian	10 Years
Joe Freeman	MVHS French Teacher	41 Years
Nedra Herbert	Speech Pathologist	18 Years
Emily Rogers	MES Instructional Assistant	16 Years
Kim Tillett	MVMS Teacher	15 Years
Michelle White	FES Instructional Assistant	17 Years

Minutes:

The 2020 Retirees were honored and presented a clock at the beginning of the meeting.

10 Consent Agenda

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Walls made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

1. Minutes of the July 20, 2020 and August 7, 2020 School Board Meetings;
2. Claims;
3. and the following Personnel Items:

CERTIFIED RETIREMENT/RESIGNATIONS

Nicole Privett, FES Teacher

Klm Tillett, MVMS Teacher (Retirement)

Brooke Mochal, MES Teacher

Stephen Phillips, FES Counselor Maternity Leave

Chad Wimmenauer, MES Teacher

Amber Gunn, MCE Teacher

CERTIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS

Emilee Niles, MES 3rd Grade Teacher (Temporary Full Year)

Julie Geisen-Ritchey, FES Counselor

Lauren Kramer, FES 2nd Grade Teacher

Jordan Fuerstenau, MES FMLA First Semester

Brooke Kistler, MES Kindergarten Teacher

Emily Cronk, MES 4th Grade Teacher

Megan Devries, MES FMLA First Semester

Christine Clements, MVMS Instructional Assistant

Joe Anderson (Secondary Level Technology Integration), Ben Rhoades (Before-School Weight Class Supervisor) and Tom Shaver (Radio & TV Classes), Classified as FTE 1.25 (Engaging in Services provided to MVCSC in addition to their regular teaching duties)

CLASSIFIED RETIREMENT/RESIGNATIONS

Sidney Hastings, FES Special Education Instructional Assistant

Amber Baker, MVMS Instructional Assistant

Morgan Bitz, MES F.I.S.H. Instructional Assistant

Jen Ugen, Mini-Marauder Preschool Secretary

Jay Jones, Life Center Instructional Assistant

Lisa Lampert, MVMS Cafeteria

Erika Fowler, MES Instructional Assistant

Steven Lackey, MVMS Instructional Assistant

Pam Matthews, Health Room Assistant

Heather Woods, MVHS Permanent Substitute

Sredrick Tinker, MVMS Permanent Substitute

Ryan Wechsler, MES Secretary

CLASSIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS

Allyson Hamlin, MES F.I.S.H. Instructional Assistant

Tyler Taing, MVHS Permanent Substitute Teacher

Jay Jones, MVMS Life Coach

Nedra Herbert, Mini-Marauder Preschool Secretary

Lisa Valenti, MES Kindergarten Instructional Assistant
Tori Wisker, Alternative School Instructional Assistant
Kayleigh Carrier, MVMS Attendance Secretary
Christina Bastin, School Nurse
Susan White, MCE Cafeteria
Christine Roach, MVHS Cafeteria
Penny Wilson, MVMS Cafeteria
Recommendation of Title Change for Gretchen Sitton
Recommendation for Additional Days for Office Staff
Suspension of Attendance Incentive for Classified Staff
Lilly Reese, Mini-Marauder Preschool After-Care Instructional Assistant
Stephanie Prasuhn, Mini-Marauder Preschool Instructional Assistant
Lisa Lee, MVMS Instructional Assistant

TRANSFER

Erin Heller, Transfer from MCE Teacher to MVMS Counselor
Savanna Chapple, Transfer from MES 3rd Grade First Semester Maternity Leave to Full-time 4th Grade Teacher
Michelle Anderson, Transfer from MES 3rd Grade 2020-21 School Year Leave to Full-time 5th Grade Teacher
Abigayle Price, Transfer from MES Kindergarten FMLA Leave to Full-time 1st Grade Teacher
Gerri Burge, Transfer from Administration Building Custodian to Head Custodian
Shirley Maxwell, Transfer from MCE Instructional Assistant to Mini-Marauder Preschool Instructional Assistant
Kristen Blakey, Transfer from MVHS Instructional Assistant to MVMS Instructional Assistant
Cary Hargis, Transfer from Facilities Rental Coordinator to MVHS Science Teacher

CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

Kimberly Nix, Mini-Marauder Preschool (Change in hours)
Alyssa Jean-Baptiste, Mini-Marauder Preschool (Change in hours)
Amy Lunn, Mini-Marauder Preschool (Change in hours)
Christi Poske, Mini-Marauder Preschool (Change in hours)
Rachel Bratton, Mini-Marauder Preschool (Change in hours)

ECA RECOMMENDATIONS

MVHS Non-Athletic Extra-Curriculars (per list)

LEAVES

Lynn Hartley, MES Teacher (Maternity Leave October 6, 2020 through end of 1st Semester)

RESCINDED INTENT TO EMPLOY

Christopher Hymer, FES Custodian

Mrs. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0,

10.1 Regular Session Minutes

July 20, 2020 School Board Meeting

August 7, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting

Attachments:

[July 20 2020 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[August 7 2020 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

10.2 Claims

Attachments:

[Claims.pdf](#)

10.3 Personnel Report

Attachments:

[Personnel Report 1.pdf](#)

[Personnel Report.pdf](#)

10.4 Overnight Field Trip Request

There are none.

10.5 Request to Accept Donation

There are none.

11 2021 School Budget for MVCSC Presentation

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mr. Elkins presented the 2021 School Budget for MVCSC. He reminded everyone that this is not the final budget and numbers are intentionally inflated as it is standard practice to advertise high to give ourselves a cushion. The DLGF will ultimately trim it back. Numbers will be more accurate in September for the Public Hearing.

The initial 2020 Budget Appropriations: Education Fund \$26,027,305; Debt Service \$10,407,386; Pension Fund \$237,279; Operations Fund \$10,580,667 and Rainy Day Fund \$40,198 for a TOTAL BUDGET of \$46,882,835. He reminded everyone that this is the last year you will see any remnants of the Capital Projects Fund, Transportation Fund and Bus Replacement Fund as this the third year of the new budget structure and these funds were condensed into the Operations Fund. 2020 Assessed Valuation \$1,133,043,631. He pointed out the AV Estimate is \$906,434,905. This number is reached because the DGLF asks you to use 80% of last

year's AV as the number to build your budget from and 80% of last year's AV is the \$906,434,905 amount. AV target is \$1,148,000,000 and where we want to be. Target Tax Rate has always been \$1.12 not to go over \$1.19. He noted he received a call this morning informing him that the new anticipated Assessed Valuation is \$1,225,491,194 as of 8/17/20. The increase in AV would allow us to max out Debt Service Fund cash balance so the Target Tax Rate would not get to the \$1.19 limit. This new number will be certified at a later point in the budget season.

Timeline for Budget: Tonight asking to Advertise; August 19, 2020 First Legal Advertisement-DLGF Gateway); September 6, 2020 All budget materials uploaded into Gateway; September 21, 2020 Public Hearing at Board Meeting; and October 5, 2020 Budget Adoption at a Special Board Meeting.

Attachments:

[2021 School Budget for Mt. Vernon CSC.pptx](#)

12 Budget Action Item

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

12.1 Permission to Advertise the 2021 Budget

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mr. McCarty made a motion to grant permission to advertise the 2021 Budget to the Department of Local Government Finance Gateway Website by September 6, 2020 (no later than September 10, 2020). Mrs. Walls seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

13 Action Items

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

13.1 1st Reading Policies

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

A100 Non-Discrimination & Anti-Harassment

D200 Standard of Care and Supervision of Students

D425 Employee Benefits

E100 Adoption of Curricular Materials

E125 Promotion, Placement, and Retention

G200 Environmental Health & Safety Issues

G225 Vehicle Idling

G475 Prohibition of Unmanned Aircraft (Drones)

H125 District-Support Organizations

H175 The Schools and Governmental Agencies

Minutes:

Due to recent legislative changes and recommendations of our attorney, Dr. Parker is recommending the board consider the following policy updates for first reading. No action required.

A100 Non-Discrimination & Anti-Harassment-Addition of Title IX

D200 Standard of Care and Supervision of Students-Addition of Title IX

D425 Employee Benefits-SBOA language update

E100 Adoption of Curricular Materials-Policy not yet adopted

E125 Promotion, Placement, and Retention-Policy not yet adopted

G200 Environmental Health & Safety Issues-Policy not yet adopted

G225 Vehicle Idling-Policy not yet adopted

G475 Prohibition of Unmanned Aircraft (Drones)-Policy not yet adopted

H125 District-Support Organizations-Policy not yet adopted

H175 The Schools and Governmental Agencies-Policy not yet adopted

Attachments:

[2020-8-17 - 1st Reading .docx](#)

13.2 2nd Reading Policies

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

C275 Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments - UPDATED

C450 Drug Prevention and Drug Testing - UPDATED

C475 School-Sponsored Publications and Productions

C500 District-Sponsored Trips

D125 Evaluation of the Superintendent

D150 Board-Superintendent Relationship

F125 Purchasing Procedures and Capital Assets- UPDATED

F150 Use of Credit Cards

F225 Online Fundraising and Crowdfunding

G300 Latch-Key Programs

G375 Community Use of School Facilities

Minutes:

Mrs. Walls made a motion to accept the 2nd reading of the policies as presented at the July 20, 2020 school board meeting:

C275 Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments - UPDATED

C450 Drug Prevention and Drug Testing - UPDATED

C475 School-Sponsored Publications and Productions

C500 District-Sponsored Trips

D125 Evaluation of the Superintendent

D150 Board-Superintendent Relationship

F125 Purchasing Procedures and Capital Assets- UPDATED

F150 Use of Credit Cards

F225 Online Fundraising and Crowdfunding

G300 Latch-Key Programs

G375 Community Use of School Facilities

Mrs. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[2020-8-17 - 2nd Reading - Google Docs.pdf](#)

13.3 Resolution 2020-27 Permission to Transfer from the Educational Fund to the Operational Fund Budget Year 2021

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Mr. Elkins presented Resolution 2020-27 which asks the board to approve the monthly amount to be transferred from the Education to Operational Fund. Maximum amount that can be transferred is \$300,000. Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-27 Permission to Transfer from the Educational Fund to the Operational Fund Budget Year 2021. Mr. May seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[2020-27 Resolution to Transfer Funds from Education to Operations 2021.docx](#)

13.4 Resolution 2020-28 Authorizing the Reduction of 2020 Budget Appropriations

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-28 gives Mr. Elkins the authority to reduce a fund's appropriation and transfer it to next year if we get to the end of the budget year and see that we will not use all of the 2020 budget appropriations. Unlikely this will happen, but an option if needed. Mrs. Walls made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-28 Authorizing the Reduction of 2020 Budget Appropriations. Mr. McCarty seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION 2020-28 TO REDUCE 2020 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.docx](#)

13.5 Resolution 2020-29 Authorizing the Deposit of Operations and Education Funds Interest into Rainy Day Fund

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-29 authorizes the deposit of Operations and Educational Fund interest into the Rainy Day Fund giving more flexibility to use those funds for any educational purpose. Mr. McCarty made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-29 Authorizing the Deposit of Operations and Educational Funds Interest into Rainy Day Fund. Mr. May seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION 2020-29 AUTHORIZING THE DEPOSIT OF OPERATIONS FUND INTEREST INTO THE RAINY DAY FUND .docx](#)

13.6 Resolution 2020-30 Authorizing the Reduction of Line One, Two, or Eleven When the 1782 Budget Order is Available

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-30 gives Mr. Elkins authorization to adjust budget order numbers as needed. Mr. May made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-30 Authorizing the Reduction of Line One, Two or Eleven When the 1782 Budget Order is Available. Mrs. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION 2020-30 AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION OF LINE ONE TWO OR ELEVEN WHEN THE 1782 BUDGET ORDER IS AVAILABLE.docx](#)

13.7 Resolution 2020-31 Authorizing Pension Bond Tax Neutrality

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-31 authorizes the board to neutralize the pension debt fund as required annually. This means the tax rate and tax revenue for the pension debt will be deducted from the Operations Fund instead of being a separate tax. This was the legal requirement in 2004 when the state allowed districts to sell bonds to fund early retirements. Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-31 Authorizing Pension Bond Tax Neutrality. Mrs. Walls seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION NO. 2020-31AUTHORIZING PENSION BOND TAX NEUTRALITY.docx](#)

13.8 Resolution 2020-32 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrant (TAW 2021)

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-32 gives Mr. Elkins approval to apply for a tax anticipation warrant which is a short term loan to be paid back by year's end from our tax settlement in the event of a tax revenue shortfall. Mr. May made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-32 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrant (TAW 2021). Mr. McCarty seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION NO. 2020-32 AUTHORIZING TAX ANTICIPATION WARRANT TAW 2021 .docx](#)

13.9 Resolution 2020-33 Authorizing the Use of Temporary Interfund Loans as Needed for Cash Flow Purposes

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

Minutes:

Resolution 2020-33 authorizes Mr. Elkins to temporarily transfer cash from another fund that has a surplus in the event that a fund runs short of cash reserves or monthly revenue. The loan must be returned by the end of the calendar year. Mrs. Walls made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-33 Authorizing the Use of Temporary Interfund Loans as Needed for Cash Flow Purposes. Mrs. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[RESOLUTION NO. 2020-33 AUTHORIZING THE USE OF TEMPORARY INTERFUND LOANS AS NEEDED FOR CASH FLOW PURPOSES.docx](#)

13.10 Resolution 2020-34: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON INTEREST IN PURCHASING A PARTICULAR PROPERTY

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent & Mr. Greg Elkins, CFO

Minutes:

Dr. Parker and Mr. Elkins announced MVCSC is working to purchase 37.609 acres of land located at 8283 North 200 West. The sale price of \$21,255.55 per acre is derived from two appraisals: Traynor & Associates (\$789,800) and Beam, Longest and Neff (\$809,000). Purchasing the land will allow us flexibility to manage future growth as more space is needed due to this growth. Sale would be contingent upon successful rezoning from agricultural to institutional usage along with approval from the Fortville Plan Commission and Town Councils. A \$5,000 earnest money payment will hold the offer in place while rezoning is secured.

To finance this purchase, Dr. Parker and Mr. Elkins recommends the sale of property MVCSC owns at the northeast corner of 600 W and 100N, Greenfield, IN. This two tracts of land totalling 67.044 acres was originally purchased in 2009 at a cost of \$1,011,861.03 as a possible site for a future school

building. While it has been an amazing investment, they do not see it has an ideal spot to build a school building due to high traffic, car and semi, along Mt. Comfort Road. The property was appraised at \$1,341,000 in September of 2019.

They are recommending engaging a real estate broker with experience in school property transactions, commercial real estate and large tracts of land for development. A Notice of Determination to Engage a Broker will be posted in the Greenfield Daily Reporter prior to September's board meeting with the selection process to begin following board approval.

Mr. McCarty made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-34 Resolution of the Board of Education on Interest in Purchasing a Particular Property. Mrs. Walls seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[Property Purchase and Sale Info.docx](#)
[2020-34 Resolution to Pursue Purchase of Property.docx](#)

13.11 Permission to Declare Items Salvage

Mr. Greg Rollo, Director of Technology

Minutes:

Mr. Rollo presented a list of items, per the attached, he recommends be declared salvage. He reported he has sold the previously declared surplus chromebooks and ipads and generated over \$56,000 so far. Mrs. Walls made a motion to grant permission for technology items presented be declared salvage. Mr. May seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[Surplus Items - August 2020.pdf](#)

13.12 MVMS Student Handbook Addendum

Chris Smedley, Assistant Superintendent

Minutes:

Mr. Williams stated with the addition of the Life Coach position at Mt. Vernon Middle School, MVMS has an addendum to the student handbook reflecting minor changes to the STEP (Student/Teacher Expectation) Plan. Mr. May made a motion to accept the MVMS Student Handbook Addendum. Mrs. Walls seconded.

Mrs. Freeman asked how the Life Coach position will work. Mr. Williams stated Mr. Jones will be housed in a classroom, but also in hallways interacting with students with the goal to build relationships and by doing so, hopefully improve behaviors lessening the number of in and out of school suspensions. He will also do credit recovery.

The motion carried 5-0.

Attachments:

[MVMS Step Plan Addendum.docx](#)

14 Announcements

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

Minutes:

Dr. Parker was excited to announce the first day of school was a good one. Cabinet members each visited a

different school. He thanked everyone for their hard work to make the start of school a good one and is very happy to get everyone back and rolling. He announced he will continue his virtual traveling talks. Mrs. Smith stated her and Mr. May visited schools and were very impressed with everyone's incredible job to take care of the students and get them safely back into class. Mr. May added his thanks for everyone taking the time to answer questions they had. Mrs. Freeman added the level of communication with teachers and families doesn't happen in every district and we are all lucky to be at Mt. Vernon where it does happen.

15 Adjournment

Mrs. Kellie Freeman, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Walls made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Mr. McCarty seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.