

# Mt. Vernon Board of School Trustees

**Mt. Vernon Board of School Trustees**  
Mt. Vernon Administrative Service Center  
Monday, August 19, 2024  
7:00pm - 8:30pm

**Present:** Mrs. Maria Bond, Director of Community Relations; Mrs. Laura Durig, SpEd Director; Mrs. Kellie Freeman, School Board Member ; Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent; Mr. Chris Smedley, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Scott Shipley, Director of Curriculum; Mrs. Shannon Walls, School Board Member; Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President; Mr. Phil Edwards, School Board Member; Carla Nugent, Administrative Assistant; Mr. Seth Hamilton, Directory of Technology; Mrs. Meghan Britt, School Board Member

**Absent:** Mr. Derek Shelton, Director of Operations; Lisa Heitman, Finance Dept

## 1 Pledge of Allegiance (7:00 PM)

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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**Minutes:**

Mr Gray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2 Call to Order

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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**Minutes:**

Mr. Gray called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

## 3 Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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**Minutes:**

Mrs Freeman made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs Walls second the motion. Motion carried 5-0

## 4 Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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Please Reference Policies  
H225 (Public Comments and Concerns) and  
B225 (Meetings) for guidance on providing public input on an agenda item.  
Board policies can be found at [www.mvcsc.k12.in.us](http://www.mvcsc.k12.in.us)

**Minutes:**

No one was signed in.

## 5 Reports

## 5.1 Good News Report

Mrs. Maria Bond, Director of Community Relations

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### Minutes:

#### School Accolades & Notable Activities

- MVHS valedictorian and MLB draftee, Cameron Sullivan was named the county's baseball athlete of the year.
- MVHS baseball earned the ABCA Team Academic Excellence Award.
- The start of the school year was an amazing success! Here are a few of the activities: teachers having an extra day of professional development; MES Assistant Principal Edwards hosting a virtual read aloud on FaceBook; Dr. Parker riding an elementary bus on the first day; MVHS cheerleaders welcoming elementary students at their Back-to-School Night; and MVHS Marauder Mentors supporting freshman and new students.
- Approximately 12 MVHS athletes participated in the IHSAA Student Leadership Conference where there were 1,000 students from across the state attending.

#### Community Connections

- MVHS alumnus, Michael Ertel, was chosen to play for Team Eberlein Drive in the Basketball Tournament (TBT), a 64-team tournament with a \$1 million grand prize.
- The MVHS Athletic Booster Blast was a great success with approximately 2,000 in attendance and raising \$25,000 for Mt. Vernon Athletics.

### Attachments:

[8-2024 Board Report.pdf](#)

## 5.2 Spotlight on School: HC3 Update

Mr. Stan Wilkison

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### Minutes:

Mr. Stan Wilkison, MVHS Assistant Principal and HC3 Career Center Director presented the updated information for the HC3 Career Center. The HC3 career center will be shared by all four county schools and open in 2026-27 school year. The HC3 Career Center will be housed in the Amplify Building in Hancock County along with Ivy Tech and Hancock Health. Dr. Parker shared his appreciation for all the hard work Mr Wilkison put together on the career center for our students.

### Attachments:

[HC3 Spotlight 8.19.24.pdf](#)

## 5.3 2025 Budget Preview

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

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### Minutes:

Mr. Greg Elkins presented the 2025 Budget Preview. The Operations Fund estimate, residential new growth, debt service, comparison slide of similar school revenue per student and tax district breakdown was shared. A public hearing will be held at the September board meeting. Mrs. Walls and Mrs. Freeman thanked Mr. Elkins for sharing the comparison graph.

**Attachments:**

[2025 School Budget for Mt. Vernon CSC.pdf](#)

## 6 Consent Agenda

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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**Minutes:**

Mr Gray read the consent agenda and asked for a motion to approved the consent agenda.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Walls seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

### 6.1 Regular Session Minutes

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**Attachments:**

[7.22.24 Mt Vernon school board meeting minutes.pdf](#)

[7.22.24 Mt Vernon work session minutes.pdf](#)

[8.7.24 Mt Vernon board work session minutes.pdf](#)

### 6.2 Personnel Report

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**Minutes:**

**CERTIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Katie Thompson, CORE Program (53) Zero Period
2. Christina Pearson, MCE 2nd Grade Teacher
3. Kristin Young, MVMS SPED Essential Skills Teacher
4. Tara Elson, MVMS PCC Teacher
5. Jennifer Holmes, MES Kindergarten Teacher
6. Tessa Denan, MES 5th Grade Teacher
7. Courtney Bell, FES 4th Grade Teacher
8. Shelby Bauchert, MVHS Social Studies Teacher
9. Lisa Wright, MVMS 6th Grade Math Teacher
10. Ryan McAtee, MVMS 7th Grade Science Teacher

**CERTIFIED RESIGNATIONS**

1. Aaron Jurek, MVMS 6th Grade Math/Science
2. Zach Brubaker, MES 5th Grade Teacher
3. Jacob Clark, MVHS Social Studies Teacher
4. Lisa Washburn, MVMS 6th Grade Math Teacher

**CERTIFIED CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT**

1. Camille Hull, MVMS 7th Grade to 6th Grade Math Teacher

**CLASSIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. MVHS Instructional Assistants for Band and Choir

2. Kailee Monroe, MCE Behavioral Instructional Assistant
3. Rebeka Peters, MCE Essential Skills Instructional Assistant
4. Talia Krammer, MCE SPED Instructional Assistant
5. Danielle Clouser, MMP SPED Instructional Assistant
6. Summer Oberneder, MCE Custodian
7. Luz Molina, MMP Instructional Assistant
8. Diane Johnson, FES Food Service
9. Sjonyae Curry, MVMS Attendance Secretary
10. Casey Albright, MCE Building Substitute

#### CLASSIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS (cont.)

1. Olivia Hamiton, MVHS High Intensity Instructional Assistant
2. Kylie Brandes, MVMS ICE Student
3. Andrew Boldt, MVHS ICE Student
4. Tanner Teschendorf, MVMS ICE Student
5. Gavin Joy, MVHS ICE Student
6. Jacqueline Moore, FES Resource Instructional Assistant
7. Kailyn Zelepugas, Administration High Intensity Instructional Assistant
8. Nicholas Sauter, MES Custodian
9. Jaclyn Vazquez, MCE Instructional
10. Jennifer Thomas, Administration Onboarding and Benefits Specialist
11. Jared LaFond, MVHS Permanent Substitute
12. Kari Corwin, MVMS Permanent Substitute

#### CLASSIFIED RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS

1. Lindsey Coffey, MVHS Instructional Assistant
2. Laurie Bush, MCE Title 1 Instructional Assistant
3. Alice Eaton, MMP Instructional Assistant
4. Sydney Anderson, FES Instructional Assistant
5. Lisa Burchett, FES Instructional Assistant
6. Cameron Baker, MVHS Instructional Assistant
7. Sandra Brown, MMP Instructional Assistant
8. Cody Merritt, FES Building Tech Termination
9. Briann Stuck, MES Custodian Termination
10. Tessa Globerger, MES Media Assistant
11. Brandy Burt, MMP Instructional Assistant

#### CLASSIFIED CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

1. Marla Sterrett, Transportation Sub Bus Driver to Bus Driver

#### ECA RECOMMENDATIONS

1. MVMS ECA Stipends for 2024-25 school year
2. FES ECA positions for 2024-25 school year
3. MCE ECA recommendations for 2024-25 school year
4. MVHS Coaches Recommendation for 2024-25 school year
5. MVHS Non-athletic ECA Recommendation for 2024-25 school year
6. Michael Meyer, MVMS Wrestling Assistant Coach
7. Chase Masters, MVHS Freshman Assistant Football Coach (1/2)
8. Abram Fleming, MVHS Boys Assistant Tennis Coach

#### ECA RESIGNATIONS

1. Justin Bamhart, MVMS Wrestling Assistant Coach

#### LEAVE

1. Kelsey Rusk, FES Maternity Leave(October 12, 2024 to April 30, 2025)

**Attachments:**

[8.19.24 Personnel report summary 2.pdf](#)  
[8.19.24 Personnel Report detail 2.pdf](#)

### 6.3 Claims

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**Attachments:**

[8.19.24 claims.pdf](#)

### 6.4 Construction Change Orders

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Millennium Contractors - New Transportation Center  
Howard Companies - New Transportation Center  
Delaware Glass - New Elementary  
Quality Walls & Ceiling, Inc. - New Elementary  
Millennium Contractors - Middle School Parking & Traffic

**Attachments:**

[CO 12.0 Millennium-New Transportation - July 22-2024.pdf](#)  
[CO 8.0 Howard Co. New Transportation - July 22 2024.pdf](#)  
[CO 3 Delaware Glass - New Elementary-July 30 2024 1 .pdf](#)  
[CO 5 Quality Walls-New Elementary-July 30 2024.pdf](#)  
[CO 3 MVMS Millennium Parking Traffic August 8 2024.pdf](#)

### 6.5 Construction Claims

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**Attachments:**

[August 2024 Construction Claims.docx.pdf](#)

### 6.6 Monthly Fund Transfers

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**Attachments:**

[July 2024 Monthly Transfers.docx.pdf](#)

### 6.7 Overnight Field Trip Request

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**Attachments:**

[Overnight Trip - Dance 8.12.24.pdf](#)

### 6.8 Donation Approval

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**Attachments:**

[MVHS Girls Soccer donation.pdf](#)  
[HS Donation to Football Team.pdf](#)

### 6.9 Destruction of Records

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**Attachments:**

[Destruction of Special Education Files 8.19.24.pdf](#)  
[HR Records from 1969-2013.pdf](#)

## 7 Action Items

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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### 7.1 TAG Policy Update

Mr. Chris Smedley, Assistant Superintendent

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**Minutes:**

Mr. Smedley reviewed the TAG policy update and asked for approval. Mrs. Freeman motioned to approve the TAG Policy Update. Mrs. Britt seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Attachments:**

[D250 - Teacher Appreciation Grants TAG .docx.pdf](#)

### 7.2 Additional Paid Holiday for 260-Day Employees

Mr. Chris Smedley, Assistant Superintendent

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**Minutes:**

Mr Smedley presented the additional paid holiday of Juneteenth for 260-day employees and summer school staff.

Mrs. Walls made a motion to approve. Mr Edwards seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

**Attachments:**

[Recommendation Additional Paid Holiday .pdf](#)

### 7.3 Second Reading of Policies

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

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**Minutes:**

Dr. Parker shared the updates on Policy B200 and D300 and asked for approval.

Mrs. Freeman motioned to approved the new updates. Mrs. Walls second the motion. Motion carried 5-0

**Attachments:**

[B200 Membership 7.22.24.pdf](#)

[D300 Alcohol and Controlled Substance CDL Safety Sensitive 2024 updated.pdf](#)

### 7.4 Preschool Renovation

Mr. Greg Elkins, Chief Financial Officer

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**Minutes:**

Mr Elkins presented information on the Preschool Renovation. In 2021 a survey was conducted on the preschool program per the future growth plan. Due to COVID this plan was postponed. The

administration is taking a new look at the project and asking for approval of the invoice for the beginning design work. Mrs.Walls made a motion to approve the invoice. Mrs.Freeman second the motion. Motion carried 5-0

**Attachments:**

[CSO Invoice August 1 2024.pdf](#)

## 8 Board Member Reports

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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Fortville RDC - Mrs. Meghan Britt  
Cumberland RDC - Mrs. Kellie Freeman  
Hancock Co. RDC - Mr. Phil Edwards  
McCordsville RDC - Mrs. Shannon Walls  
MVEF - Mr. Chad Gray

**Minutes:**

Fortville RDC - Mrs. Meghan Britt - The Fortville RDC did not meet.  
Cumberland RDC - Mrs. Kellie Freeman - The Cumberland RDC did not meet  
Hancock Co. RDC - Mr. Phil Edwards was unable to attend the Hancock Co. RDC meeting.  
McCordsville RDC - Mrs. Shannon Walls did attend the August 6 meeting. Three public hearings were held on existing TIF districts.  
MVEF - Mr. Chad Gray - The MVEF will hold the annual SOAR event this Wednesday for staff On September 12 the MVEF will host the "Chip IN Fore Kids" TopGolf event.

## 9 Announcements

Dr. Jack Parker, Superintendent

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**Minutes:**

Dr. Parker announced that Joe Hess will be performing at the SOAR Event this year. He shared is appreciation the MVEF to for holding the event for staff. The Mt Vernon Alumni Association will host is annual all class reunion on September 7. Mrs. Brooke Tharp, Mt Vernon High School Principal and graduate will be the guest speaker.

## 10 Adjournment

Mr. Chad Gray, School Board President

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**Minutes:**

Mr. Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Walls seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.