

**MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON  
APRIL 20, 2009**

**RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS**

**BASKETBALL**

Ryan Ploetz has been named to the Big 8 Boys' Basketball All Conference Team.

**RESIGNATIONS**

The Board accepted the resignations from Dennis Curry as a custodian effective May 6, 2009 (half-day) and from Regina Russell as the second cheer sponsor for Mt. Vernon High School effective immediately.

**PREGNANCY LEAVE WITHOUT PAY REQUEST**

The Board granted Stephaine Sharber a pregnancy leave without pay beginning April 21, 2009 with her return to work on April 27, 2009.

**NONRENEWAL OF NONPERMANENT TEACHER CONTRACTS**

The Board accepted the recommendation from the Superintendent to nonrenew the nonpermanent teacher contracts of Jennifer Mesker and Miranda Rideout at the close of the 2008-09 school year with the understanding that these honorable nonrenewals result from lack of enrollment and/or budgetary limitations.

**SEMIPERMANENT TEACHER CONTRACT CANCELLATION**

The Board accepted the recommendation from the Superintendent to cancel the semipermanent teacher contract of Scott LaMar effective at the close of the 2008-09 school year with the understanding that this cancellation is honorable and is due to lack of enrollment and/or budgetary limitations.

**ADULT BASIC EDUCATION (ABE) PROGRAM**

The Board approved the submission of an Adult Basic Education (ABE) grant application for continuation of the ABE Program for the 2009-10 school year.

**TITLE I PROGRAM**

The Board authorized the submission of an application for the continuation of the Title I Program for fiscal year 2010 (2009-10 school year).

**HIGH ABILITY PROGRAM**

The Board authorized the submission of an application for the continuation of the High Ability

Program for the 2009-10 school year.

### **PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR CAFETERIA BIDS**

The Board granted permission to advertise for cafeteria supplies for the 2009-10 school year on April 29 and May 6, 2009.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Informational items to the Board included the MVJHS Parent Bobcat Focus - April 6 & 13, 2009, Hedges Central Hilltop Happenings, schedule for supply quotations, and federal stimulus money update.

The Board was informed that the Indiana Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Indiana Department of Education have recognized Mt. Vernon Jr. High School as an official Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial School. Mrs. Pam O'Risky, teacher, coordinated the activities leading to the successful completion of a school project celebrating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday.

Also, the Board was informed that Loren Evans, Director of Business and Technology, has been named 2009 Business Official of the Year by the Indiana Association of School Business Officials.

### **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Monday, May 4, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.  
Monday, May 18, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.  
Monday, June 1, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.

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

### **STUDENT RIGHTS, EXPECTATIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES HANDBOOK**

The Board reviewed and discussed proposed changes to the Student Rights, Expectations, and Responsibilities Handbook.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board met in Executive Session after the regular meeting.