

**MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011**

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

STAFF

Dana Taylor, Mt. Vernon High School's Vocal Music Director, Performing Arts Director, and technical theater teacher, was named Artist of the Year by the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana for his work at MVHS and in other community programs. He will be honored at their banquet on September 1.

Mr. Taylor also received national recognition from the Educational Theatre Association professional organization. He received the 2011 Founders' Award for significant contributions to the growth and development of theater education in the United States. He accepted this award at the International Thespian Festival in Lincoln, Nebraska.

EMPLOYMENT

The Board confirmed the employment of:

Michelle Buchanan - assistant volleyball coach (1/2 stipend),
high school
Beth Dickens - teacher assistant/remediation, West
Drew Duckworth - special education teacher assistant,
junior/senior high schools
Amy Hueftle - teacher assistant/remediation, West
Christine Johnson - home/school advisor, West and Farmersville
Abbey Mitchell - teacher assistant/remediation, West
Raymond Pierce - bus attendant
Timothy Searcy - teacher assistant/computer lab, high school
Jamalyn Tekoppel - assistant volleyball coach, high school
Suzanne Turner - bus attendant

RESIGNATIONS

The Board accepted the following resignations:

Beth Dickens - part-time teacher assistant for the 21st Century Community
Learning Center Program
Lori Holder - food service worker, Jr. High
Christine Johnson - school nurse, Farmersville
Jane King - food service worker, Jr. High

PREGNANCY LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

The Board granted Shanna Shelton, teacher, a pregnancy leave of absence without pay beginning August 16, 2011 with a return date of October 3, 2011.

EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

The Board confirmed continued employment for the extra duty positions for the 2011-12 school year as recommended.

SURPLUS ITEMS

The Board declared the recommended items as surplus.

STUDENT SUNDAY ACTIVITY

The Board granted permission to Angelus to perform at the Cathedral of St. Benedict on Sunday, August 14, 2011.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Informational items to the Board included the School Lunch Fund Reports for November (revised), June, and the School Lunch Fund annual report; Property Tax Refund/Shortfall update; and the extracurricular financial reports.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Monday, August 15, 2011 at 5:45 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 5:45 p.m.
- Monday, September 19, 2011 at 5:45 p.m.

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

HEDGES CENTRAL

The Board reviewed and discussed the recommendations for continued use of the Hedges Central facility.

2012 SCHOOL BUDGETS

The Board reviewed and discussed information regarding the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and the Bus Replacement Fund for use in establishing the 2012 budgets.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session immediately after the regular meeting.