

**MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MT. VERNON
MARCH 2, 2009**

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

DANCE CATS

The MVHS Dance Cats qualified for state competition by placing 2nd at the regional competition recently.

FFA

The Mt. Vernon FFA Chapter Meeting Team is advancing to Section competition by placing second at the District level recently.

ISSMA INSTRUMENTAL SOLO/ENSEMBLE CONTEST

The ISSMA Instrumental Solo/Ensemble Contest was held recently with the following Gold Ratings:

MVJHS

Katelyn Brown

Austin Colson

Andrew Higgins

Kaitlin Whaley

6th Woodwind Quartet: Erin Garman, Anna Griffin, Kaitlin Whaley, and Morgan Zoch

6th Woodwind Trio: Samantha Anderson, Katelyn Brown, and Andrew Johnson


7th Woodwind Quartet: Tyler Gwyn, Katelyn Huff, Olivia Martin, and Morgan Ragsdale

MVSHS

Heidi Cotner, Cecilia Nelson, Matt Russell, Breanne Scott, Attwood Brass Choir, Hurley Trumpet Quartet, and Russell Sax Trio.

State Qualifiers: Heidi Cotner, Matt Russell, Breanne Scott, Russell Sax Trio, and Hurley Trumpet Quartet

SWIM

The MVHS Girls  Swim Team placed 16th overall in state competition. Other team results included:

200 freestyle relay team: 8th place - Erika McCormick, Alex Norris, Michea Reinitz, and Becca Slygh

400 freestyle relay team: 24th place - Kourtney Higdon, Becca Slygh, Elizabeth Frye, and Amy Steele

Individual results:

Erika McCormick: 13th place - 100 breast stroke; 22nd place - 200 individual medley

Alex Norris: 17th place - 50 freestyle; 24th place - 100 freestyle

Michea Reinitz: 11th place - 100 butterfly; 13th place - 200 freestyle

WRESTLING

Alex White, MVHS student, was named runner-up in the heavyweight division of the State Wrestling Competition. Alex ended his season with a 53-2 record for the season with the most wins in a season career and the most pins.

SAFE SCHOOLS/HEALTHY STUDENTS SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

The Board accepted the bid from Youth First, Inc. in the amount of \$114,328 for social work services for the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Program.

RETIREMENT

The Board accepted the intent to retire from Barbara Lanman-Givens as a principal effective at the end of the 2008-09 school year.

PREGNANCY LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

The Board granted Shanna Shelton a pregnancy leave without pay beginning March 11, 2009 with her return to work to be on March 19, 2009.

TEST PLOT LEASES

The Board approved test plot lease agreements with the Indiana Port Commission, Cargill, Inc., and Jim and Idella Davis as recommended.

SUNDAY USE OF FACILITIES

The Board granted permission to American Legion Owen Dunn Post #5 for use of the baseball facilities on Sunday, April 5; Sunday, April 19; Sunday, June 7; Sunday, June 14; and Sunday, June 21, 2009 as recommended.

CPF EMERGENCY FUND RESOLUTIONS

The Board adopted resolutions authorizing the use of the CPF Emergency Fund allocation to replace the water heater at the Mt. Vernon High School in an amount not to exceed \$44,000 and to pay the deductible in the amount of \$2,500 for the damage to the Mt. Vernon High School roof as recommended.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Information to the Board included the Parent Bobcat Update - February 16 & 23, 2009, March

School Lunch Menu, Wildcat Word, Learn and Serve Indiana grant, and dates for open house at Farmersville on March 12 at 6:00 p.m. and open house at West on March 19 at 6:00 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Monday, March 16, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, April 6, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, April 20, 2009 at 5:45 p.m.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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