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The regular meeting of the Mount Vernon Board of Education for September was held at the Energy Fieldhouse on Monday, September 29, 2025 at 5:00pm.

Mrs. Goetzman called the meeting to order.

Roll call of the Board Members with the following present: Mrs. Goetzman, Dr. Bennett, Ms. Rugola-Dye, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Workman.

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, September 4, 2025 Work Session Minutes, and the September 18, 2025 Work Session Minutes.

Call of votes: Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Dr. Bennett, Yes; Mr. Ward, Yes.

Motion carried.

Reports and Public Participation

Nationwide Children's Hospital

Staff from Nationwide Children's Hospital presented a presentation to the Board showcasing the Mt. Vernon School-Based Health Center.

Superintendent's Report

District Update

Mr. Seder shared a district update with the Board with information on the Ohio School Report Cards and a Food Service update. He also shared that the district's golf team are the 2025 LCL Golf Champions.

Board Work Session

The next Board Work Session has been scheduled for October 8, 2025, 4:00 p.m. at Central Office.

Curriculum/Instruction/Staff Development Planning

Items for Information

Dr. Bennett shared a Student Achievement Liaison Report with the Board.

Fiscal Services

August 2025 Financial Report

Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Dr. Bennett, to approve the August 2025 Financial Report and the following items:

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Fiscal Forecast PP

Forecast for fiscal year 2026

Final Appropriations for FY26

Appropriations of all funds for fiscal year 2025-2026

Donations

TO	FROM	ITEM/AMOUNT
Pleasant Street	Lori Ash	Large bag of school supplies
Wiggin Street	Liz Keeney	Kleenex, pencil boxes, notebooks, dry erase markers, band aids, glue sticks, and Ziploc bags.
Columbia	Kokosing	$200 for STEM bins
Student Services	Lori Ramsey	All the Pieces: When a Loved One Dies from Substance Use
District	Dollar General	7 Boxes of MTV Clothes
Pleasant Street	Lions Club	3 Bags of pants and a large bag of shoes

Call of votes: Mr. Ward, Yes; Dr. Bennett, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes.

Motion carried.

Business Services

Items of Information

Ms. Rugola-Dye sharded a Legislative Liaison Report with the Board.

St. Vincent/ESC Pooling Agreement for Title I

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the St. Vincent/ESC Pooling Agreement and the following items:

Northern Star Therapy Services speech contract with St. Vincent for 2025-26 (paid through IDEA-B)

Northern Star Therapy Services will provide speech and language services to St. Vincent de Paul School for the 2025-2026 school year.

Bloom Pediatric Therapy, LLC speech contract with Seventh Day Adventist Elementary for 2025-26 (paid through IDEA-B)

Bloom Pediatric Therapy, LLC will provide speech and therapy services to Seventh Day Adventist Elementary for the 2025-2026 school year.

Seventh Day Adventist Elementary Tutor Title I Agreement with Fredericktown

Agreement that Mount Vernon City Schools will provide an Intervention Specialist as needed for students at Seventh Day Adventist School.

Facility Use Requests

Knox Community Jazz Orchestra - use of the High School Auditorium, Saturday, November 22, 2025, 5:30pm-9:00pm, "Concert benefiting annual Food for the Hungry"

Girl Scouts of Ohio's Heartland - use of the Middle School Cafeteria, Thursday, September 18, 2025, 5:00pm-7:00pm, "Girl Scout recruitment event"

Child Evangelism Fellowship - use of the cafeteria at Twin Oak, Thursdays, October 2, 2025-October 30, 2025, 3:00pm-5:30pm, "Bible Story Lessons"

Girl Scouts of Ohio's Heartland - use of the Middle School Cafeteria, Wednesday & Thursday, October 15-16, 2025, 5:30pm-7:30pm, "Parent Information Night"

Knox County Special Olympics - use of the gymnasium at Twin Oak, Tuesdays & Thursdays, October 7, 2025-February 19, 2026, 6:00pm-8:00pm, "Basketball & Cheer Practice"

Call of votes: Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Dr. Bennett, Yes; Mr. Ward, Yes.

Motion carried.

Student Services

Determination of Transportation Impracticality

Determination of transportation impracticality for the 2025-2026 school year

Resolution 30-25: ORC 3327.02 Declaring Impracticality of Transportation - offer of payment in lieu of transportation

Students:
Amos Rinehart - Twin Oak Elementary

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Chartered non-public school utilizing the Autism Scholarship:
The Leaming Spectrum 3060
Johnstown Utica Road John-
stown, Ohio 43031

ORC 3327.02

(A) After considering each of the following factors, the board of education of a city, exempted village, or local school district, or a community school governing authority providing transportation pursuant to section 3314,091 of the Revised Code, may determine that it is impractical to transport a pupil who is eligible for transportation to and from a school under section 3327.01 of the Revised Code:

(1) The time and distance required to provide the transportation;

(2) The number of pupils to be transported;

(3)The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration;

(4)Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation;

(5)Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules;

(6)Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available.

After careful evaluation of all available options, the following reasons for confirmation of transportation impracticality have been determined by the district, pursuant to sections (A) (1 □ 6) above:

1. Time and distance were factors considered in **items a through e.**
2. **The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance,** personnel, and administration were factors considered in **items a through f.**
3. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation was a factor considered. The district currently transports students who attend St. Vincent dePaul Catholic School in Mount Vernon.
4. **Whether, and to what extent, the additional service unavoidably disrupts** current transportation schedules was a factor that was considered for items **a through e.**
5. **Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available was a factor that was considered. The district is able to offer payment in lieu of transportation (Type IV) to the parents of the one TLS students.**

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At this time, the Ohio Department of Education has released that Type IV transportation's maximum amount, or the average cost of pupil transportation for the previous school year is $1,214.29

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Type IY Transportation Contract - Privately Owned Vehicles

To approve the following transportation contracts - privately owned vehicles (pending insurance coverage on file) to the designated schools;

Linda Rinehart — The Learning Spectrum, Johnstown, OH
August 19, 2025 - May 28, 2026

Ombudsman Educational Services, LTD

Special Education Services Agreement to provide instruction for students with disabilities that require intensive academic, behavioral, communication and therapeutic services.

Elite Transportation Service Agreement

Transportation agreement for a student enrolled in a program out of district, August 21, 2025-May 26, 2026

Acutrans

Contract for audio/video interpretation and document translation services

LearnWell

Agreement to provide virtual teaching services for the 2025-2026 SY

Call of votes: Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mr. Ward, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Dr. Bennett, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes.

Motion carried

Personnel - Certificated/Licensed Staff

Salary Change Notices (Effective at beginning of 2025-2026 SY)

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Sarah Alverson
Brianna Chenevey
Dawn McNeal
Nicholas Zarley

Dr. Bennett moved, seconded by Ms. Rugola-Dye, to act on the following Certificated/Licensed Personnel items:

Employment (**2025-2026 SY**) - Subject to proper placement on the salary schedule, contingent upon favorable report from BCII/FBI, receipt of proper certification/licensure and verification of experience. The Mount Vernon Board of Education reserves the right to prorate and/or cancel this contract should adjustments to the school year be necessary due to circumstances beyond our control.

Retirement

Malinda Essex, Music, Mount Vernon Middle School**,** Effective: End of 2025-2026 SY
Sandra Ward, Social Studies, Mount Vernon Middle School**,** Effective: Jun 1, 2026

Resignation

Chloe Mae Ferguson, Third Grade Teacher, Dan Emmett Elementary**,** Effective: Sep 15, 2025
Christopher Japikse, Assistant Bowling Coach, HS**,** Effective: Aug 22, 2025

Rescind

Lindsey Lamp, Indoor Track, HS, V-3 (salary and contract split)
Craig McMurry, Indoor Track, HS, V-3 (salary and contract split)

Substitute Teachers

Susan Boss
Cadence Brooks
Dakota Dustin
Cade Ellis
Cheryl Feasel (retroactive to 9/10/2025)
Phillip Gantt (retroactive to 9/16/2025)
James Gastin (retroactive to 9/26/2025)
Mark Lattimore
Sara Lawhon
Margaret Littleton
Stephanie Lobdell
Kamryn Miller (retroactive to 9/24/2025)
Amanda Mitchusson
Marilyn Nagy
Raeschell Noonen
Victoria Sant
Tyler Scott

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Jaimye Weaver
Nichole Welker

Internal Transfer

Sarah Alverson, Intervention Specialist at Pleasant Street Elementary transferred to Dan Emmett to serve as Intervention Specialist.

Home Instructor

Erin Humphrey

Supplemental Contracts

Danielle Burris, Video Announcements, PSES, V-0 (contract & salary split 50 percent)
Nicholas Coon, Boys' Head Basketball Coach, I-12 (Head)
Patricia Dice, Homework Study Table, Middle School
Bryan Donaldson, Boys' Basketball Coach, Middle School, IV-11
Krystle Doup, Girls' Basketball Coach, Middle School, IV-3
Josh Egan, Boys' Basketball Coach, Middle School, IV-2
Jeffrey Jarosz, Homework Study Table, High School
Sarah Keller, Student Council Advisor, Middle School, VI-0
Matthew Krabill, Homework Study Table, Middle School
Craig McMurry, Indoor Track, HS, V-3
Donald Marn, Homework Study Table, Middle School
Scott Patterson, Friday/Saturday School, High School
Scott Patterson, Homework Study Table, High School
Taylor Pozderac, Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach, II-2
Christopher Reau, Homework Study Table, Middle School
Nathan Short, Girls' Head Basketball Coach, I-6
James M Smith, Friday/Saturday School, High School
Rebecca Smith, Homework Study Table, High School
Mariana Wolk, Friday/Saturday School, High School

Audio/Media Specialist

Trevor Garrabrant
Glenn Peyton
Anthony Springer

Pupil Activity Contracts (for Lay Persons)

Boys's Assistant Basketball Coach
Boys' Freshman Basketball Coach
Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach
Girls' Basketball Coach, Middle School
Girls' Freshman Basketball Coach

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Whereas, these positions have been offered to the current employees of the Mount Vernon City School District that have a license issued under Section 3319.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and no such persons whom the Board of Education considers to be qualified for these positions have applied for and accepted these positions; and

Whereas, these positions have been advertised as available to any individuals not employed by the Mount Vernon City School District that have a license issued under Section 3319.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, and no such persons whom the Board of Education considers to be qualified for these positions have applied for and accepted these positions;

Whereas, the following persons that do not hold a license issued pursuant to Section 3319.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, have applied for these positions and the Board of Education has determined that these persons are qualified for these positions;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that these persons be employed in the following positions:

Nolan Belcher, Boys' Assistant Basketball Coach, II-1
Nathan Bellman, Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach, II-5
Robert (Ty) Calkins, Boys' Assistant Basketball Coach, II-9
Michael Delaney, Girls' Freshman Basketball Coach, III-3
Morgan Jessup, Girls' Basketball Coach, Middle School, IV-0
Lindsey Lamp, Indoor Track, HS, V-3 (salary and contract split)
Joe Perry, Boys' Freshman Basketball Coach, III-2

Extracurricular Contracts for Non-Teaching MVCSD Staff

Tara Clark, Friday/Saturday School, High School
Julie Wallace, Friday/Saturday School, High School

Call of votes: Dr. Bennett, Yes; Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes; Mr. Ward, Abstain.

Motion carried.

Classified Staff

Items for information

Thomas Sinkewicz transferred from 3.75 hour cook (Middle School) to 3 hour cook (Wiggin Street); Effective 9/3/2025

Shelby Gibbs transferred from 3 hour cook (Wiggin Street) to 6.5 hour cook (Pleasant Street); Effective 9/2/2025

Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to act on the following Classified Staff items:

Employment 2025-2026 Paid at Board approved rate, pending favorable BCII/FBI and a pre-employment drug screen. One Year Contract.

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Shaun Thomas Food Service Driver / Custodian; Step 1
One Year Contract 9/23/2025 - 9/22/2026

Jacob Fry 3.75 Hour Cook; Step 1, One Year Contract 9/23/2025 - 9/22/2026

Two-Year Contract (subject to proper placement on the salary schedule)
Year 2 & 3 on the Contract Sequence

Carolyn Ingram 9/23/2025 - 9/22/2027

Substitute Employment - paid at Board approved rate, pending favorable BCII/FBI

Susan Walker Substitute Cook
Brandi Daniels-Anderson Substitute Cook, Substitute Secretary
Chadrick Wagoner Substitute Bus Driver
Amanda Mitchusson Substitute Aide, Substitute Secretary
Marissa Mahathy Substitute Aide, Substitute Secretary
Erik Stage Substitute Bus Driver
Victoria Sant Substitute Secretary
Jessica Myser Substitute Cook, Substitute Secretary, Aide
Stephanie Lobdell Substitute Secretary

Summer I.T. Work Crew 2024-2025 = $16.00/hour as work is required.

Nathan Hofferberth Retroactive 8/11/2025
Owen Richards Retroactive 8/11/2025

Professional Committees (Stipend Contracts)
Health Insurance Committee
Michael Lang
Marla Filbrun
Perry Winfrey

Resignation

Ronald Bond Food Service Delivery Driver; Effective 9/4/2025

Adjournment

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Ward, to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Call of votes: Ms. Rugola-Dye, Yes; Mr. Ward, Yes; Mrs. Goetzman, Yes; Dr. Bennett, Yes; Mr. Workman, Yes.

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Board President

Treasurer

CERTIFICATE
(O.R.C. 5705.412)

The undersigned, Treasurer and President of the Board of Education of the Mount Vernon City School District, Ohio, and the Superintendent of Schools of the Mount Vernon City School District, Ohio, hereby certify that the Mount Vernon City School District has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment, and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar, for the current fiscal year, and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal years equal to the number of days instruction was held or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

Mount Vernon City School Board of Education

By: _____
Treasurer

By: _____
Superintendent of Schools

By: _____
President, Board of Education