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MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2026
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Mount Vernon Board of Education for January was held at the Energy Fieldhouse on Monday, January 12, 2026 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 December 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

Motion carried.

Commendations and Communications

School Board Recognition Month

January is School Board Recognition Month. The Board were presented with certificates of appreciation.

Superintendent's Report

District Update

Mr. Seder shared a district update with the Board.

Board Policy Update

Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Dr. Bennett, to approve the updated policy below:

5136 Personal Communication Devices

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

Motion carried.

Fiscal Services

December 2025 Financial Report

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the December 2025 Financial Report and the following donation:

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TO	FROM	ITEM/AMOUNT
Pleasant St.	First Congregational Church	Large box of shoes

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

Motion carried.

Business Services

Items of Information

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

OSBA January - December 2026 Membership Dues

Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Ms. Rugola-Dye, to approve the OSBA Membership dues for 2026 and the following items:

Resolution No. 23-26 - OSBA Legal Assistance Fund

Whereas, the Mount Vernon Board of Education wishes to support the efforts of other boards of education to obtain favorable judicial decisions and,

Whereas, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund has been established for this purpose,

Therefore, the Board hereby resolves to participate in the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund for calendar year 2026 and authorizes the treasurer to pay the Legal Assistance Fund $250

Facility Use Requests

Good News Club - use of the cafeteria at Twin Oak, Thursdays, January 29, 2026-March 5, 2026, 3:00pm-5:30pm, "Afterschool Good News Club"

Cub Scout Pack 339 - use of the cafeteria at the Middle School, February 24, 2026, 4:00pm-8:00pm, "Cub Scout Pinewood Derby and Potluck"

All Out Sports Club U11 Boys Soccer - use of the gymnasium at Pleasant Street, Mondays in February, Mondays and Thursdays in March, February 2, 2026-March 26, 2026, "Practice"

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

Motion carried.

Resolution No. 24-26 - Facilities Project - Intent to Proceed

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The Board of Education of the Mount Vernon City School District (the "Board") met on January 12, 2026, immediately following the Board's Organizational Meeting commencing at 5:00 p.m., at Energy Fieldhouse, 101 Yellow Jacket Drive, Mount Vernon, Ohio, with the following members present:

Mrs. Goetzman Dr. Bennett

Ms. Rugola-Dye Mr. Ward

Mr. Workman

The notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-26

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF AN ADDITIONAL 1.00% SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX ON THE EARNED INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS RESIDING IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2025, this Board adopted Resolution No. 33-25 pursuant to Section 5748.02 of the Revised Code requesting the State Tax Commissioner to estimate and certify to it both (i) the property tax rate that would have to be imposed in the current year and (ii) the school district income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year to produce an amount equivalent to $5,977,339 annually, a certified copy of which resolution was delivered to the State Tax Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, on December 22, 2025, the State Tax Commissioner certified that a school district income tax rate of 1.0000% (using the tax base specified in Resolution No. 33-25 and this Resolution) or a property tax rate of 6.10 mills (using 2024 valuation) would be required to produce that amount; and

WHEREAS, this Board is now authorized, pursuant to Section 5748.02(B) of the Revised Code, to adopt a resolution proposing an annual tax for School District purposes on the taxable income of individuals as defined in Section 5748.01(E)(2) of the Revised Code, at the rate set forth in the State Tax Commissioner's certification, rounded to the nearest one-fourth of one percent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Mount Vernon City School District, County of Knox, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Board Declarations. This Board finds, determines and confirms that the amount of taxes that may be raised by this Board within the ten-mill limitation by property tax levies on the current tax list and duplicate will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the School District, that it is necessary to raise additional moneys for School District purposes, and that it is necessary to levy an annual school district income tax on the taxable income of individuals as defined in Section 5748.01(E)(2) of the Revised Code, at the rate of one percent (1.00%), for the purpose of current expenses, for a continuing period of time.

Section 2. Determination to Submit. Pursuant to Chapter 5748 of the Revised Code, the question of imposing an annual school district income tax at the rate of 1.00% on the taxable income of individuals as

defined in Section 5748.01(E)(2) of the Revised Code, for the purpose of current expenses, to take effect on January 1, 2027, and run for a continuing period of time, shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on May 5, 2026.

Section 3. Certification and Delivery of Resolution. The Treasurer is directed to deliver or caused to be delivered promptly, and in any case before the close of business on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, a certified copy of this Resolution to the Knox County Board of Elections and to the State Tax Commissioner.

Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 5. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Mr. Ward seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Ms. Rugola-Dye	Yes
Mr. Ward	Yes
Mrs. Goetzman	Yes
Dr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Workman	Yes

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct excerpt from the minutes of the regular meeting on January 12, 2026, of the Board of Education of the Mount Vernon City School District, Ohio, the date, time and place of which (as shown above) having been established at the Board's organizational session immediately preceding that regular meeting, showing the adoption of the resolution hereinabove set forth. Written notice of the time and place of the meeting was served personally upon, or actually received by, each Board member at least two days in advance of such meeting; and notice of the time, place and purpose(s) of that meeting (being a regular meeting), was, at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the time of such meeting, given to and received by all news media that had heretofore requested notification of such meetings pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the procedures established by the Board for that purpose.

Dated: January 12, 2026
Treasurer, Board of Education
Mount Vernon City School District, Ohio

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

Motion carried.

Student Services

SpectraCorp Agreement

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the SpectraCorp Agreement for language interpretation service for use with MVCSD's foreign language speaking students.

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

Motion carried.

Personnel - Certificated/Licensed Staff

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Dr. Bennett, 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.

Internal Transfer

Rachel Horn on a Year-Long Substitute contract as Intervention Specialist (Part-Time) at Wiggin Street will transfer to Twin Oak to complete her Year-Long Substitute contract as an Intervention Specialist (Part-Time).

Substitute Teacher

Elizabeth Boggs
Rylan Firebaugh
Karly Mills
Tanya Winterhalter

Pupil Activity Contracts (for Lay Persons)

Assistant Softball Coach
Freshman Softball Coach

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:

Kayleigh Beheler, Freshman Softball Coach,V-0
Taylor Heckman, Assistant Softball Coach, IV-1

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

Motion carried.

Classified Staff

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 pre-employment drug screen. One Year Contract.

Malary Fry 3.75 Hour Cook at Middle School; Step 1, One Year Contract 1/5/2026 - 1/4/2027

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

Simon Peterson Substitute Custodian; Retro 1/5/2026
Kylee Neighbarger Substitute Aide

Retirement

Bill Page Bus Driver; Effective 4/3/2026

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

Motion carried.

Adjournment

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Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Ms. Rugola-Dye, to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

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

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