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MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2026
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The organizational meeting of the Mount Vernon Board of Education for 2026 was held at the Energy Fieldhouse on January 12, 2026 at 5:00p.m.

Mrs. Forney, Treasurer, called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Election of President of the Board of Education

Dr. Bennett moved, seconded by Mr. Ward, to elect Mrs. Goetzman as President of the Mount Vernon Board of Education for calendar year 2026.

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

Motion carried.

Election of Vice President of the Board of Education

Dr. Bennett moved, seconded by Mr. Ward, to elect Mr. Workman as Vice President of the Mount Vernon Board of Education for calendar year 2026.

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

Motion carried.

Oath of Office

Mrs. Forney, Treasurer, administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Goetzman: President and Mr. Workman: Vice President.

Appointment of Board of Education Committees

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the following committee appointments:

Personnel	Mrs. Goetzman and Mr. Ward
Educational Advisory Committee, Instruction, and Technology	Dr. Bennett and Ms. Rugola-Dye
Building and Grounds, Long Range Planning	Mrs. Goetzman and Mr. Workman

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Ward, to approve the following resolutions:

Resolution Number 1-26
Establish Regular Meeting Dates and Planning Session of the Board of Education

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education shall hold its regular meetings in 2026 on the following dates and location: Energy Fieldhouse will continue to be utilized for all board meetings until such a time that conditions warrant a change to Twin Oak Elementary.

January 12 Organizational	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse Followed by Regular Meeting (make-up day : January 13)
February 17	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
March 16	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
April 20	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
May 18	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
June 15	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
July 20	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
August 17	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
September 21	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
October 19	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
November 23	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse
December 14	5:00 p.m.	Energy Fieldhouse

"Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in this activity."

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Resolution Number 2-26
Set Compensation of Board Members

Be it resolved, that Board members shall be paid, at the maximum rate stipulated by law, for attending a maximum of twelve Board meetings per calendar year and for attendance at approved training. At least eleven of these meetings shall be regular Board meetings scheduled once a month. After a Board member has attended the eleven monthly regular Board meetings, the Treasurer shall pay the member for attending any other twelfth meeting held during the calendar year. The compensation of Board members shall not be increased or decreased during their existing term of office. Board members and Board members elect may be reimbursed out of the service fund for Board related activities when receipts are submitted to the Treasurer.

Resolution Number 3-26
Establish Service Fund

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby establish a service fund. Such fund to be set aside as an account within the general fund, and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of said service fund the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00), which amount shall be incorporated into the appropriations of this school district for the fiscal year 2026.

Resolution Number 4-26
Authority to Request Advance of Local Taxes

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the President and/or Treasurer of the Board to request the advance of local taxes anytime such funds should become available.

Resolution Number 5-26
Authority to Borrow Money

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the President (or the Vice-President, in the President's absence) and the Treasurer (or Assistant to the Treasurer in the Treasurer's absence) of the Board to borrow money if such is necessary prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Resolution Number 6-26
Authority to Invest Funds

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the Treasurer of the Board to invest any fund monies if and when they are available.

Resolution Number 7-26
Authority to Transfer or Advance Funds

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the Treasurer of the Board to transfer or advance funds if such is necessary prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Additionally, the Board authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances and adjustments, if appropriate, in all funds to complete business for the calendar or fiscal year and report said changes to the Board.

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Resolution Number 8-26
Authority to Act as Purchasing Agent

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent or designee to act as purchasing agent for the school system.

Resolution Number 9-26
Authority for Treasurer to Open and Tabulate Bids

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon City Board of Education advertises for bids on materials and/or equipment from time to time; and,

WHEREAS, the process of opening and tabulating bids for Board consideration is time consuming; and,

WHEREAS, provision is made in Ohio Revised Code 3313.46 for the Treasurer of a school district to be empowered to open and to tabulate bids for the Board's consideration at its next regularly scheduled meeting;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education hereby empowers the Treasurer to open and tabulate bids for the Board's consideration at its next meeting.

Resolution Number 10-26
Authority for Superintendent (or his designee) to Approve Attendance at Professional Meetings

WHEREAS, the law requires (O.R.C. 3313.20) that the Board of Education make such rules and regulations that are necessary for its government and the government of its employees; and,

WHEREAS, the law permits (O.R.C. 3313.20) the Board of Education to delegate authority to the Superintendent to approve attendance at professional meetings by the employees of such Boards of Education;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education delegates authority to the Superintendent (or his designee) to approve or disapprove attendance at professional meetings by such employees of said Board of Education as he may deem proper and in the interest of the school system.

Resolution Number 11-26
Authority to Establish and Change Treasurer's Petty Cash Fund

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby give its authority under 3313.31 of the Ohio Revised Code for the establishment of a petty cash fund in the amount of five hundred twenty-five dollars ($525.00). The distribution and accountability for such funds is to be the responsibility of the Treasurer under 3313.29 and 3313.51 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Resolution Number 12-26
Authority to Establish Change Funds

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Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby establish change funds for the Food Service Operation, Athletic Department, and Treasurer's Office in the following amounts:

Food Service in the amount of $534.00 to be distributed to all buildings as the Food Service Director deems necessary.
Athletic Department in the amount of $2,800.00
Treasurer's Office in the amount of $100.00
High School Office in the amount of $200.00
Columbia, Wiggin Street, Pleasant Street, and Twin Oak Libraries in the amount of $10.00 each

Resolution Number 13-26
Authorization for Use of More Than Five (5) Buses

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon Board of Education, in accordance with Ohio Transportation Laws and Regulations, Section Three, Operational Regulation ED6 919.11, authorizes the use of more than five (5) school buses for any specific event necessary as determined by the Superintendent.

Resolution Number 14-26
Resolution for In-service Expenses

WHEREAS, the Attorney General Opinion 82-006 states funds may be expended to purchase coffee, meals, refreshments or other amenities for officers, employees or other persons if the legislative body has determined that such expenditures are necessary to further a public purpose, and if its determination is not manifestly arbitrary or unreasonable.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education authorizes the administration to purchase refreshments at the Treasurer's discretion.

Resolution Number 15-26
Authority to Initiate Legal Action

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to initiate legal action on behalf of the Board to protect its legal interests.

Resolution Number 16-26
Board Policies Adoption, Amendments and Re-adoption

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby adopt, amend and re-adopt the Board Policies brought before it from January 2026 to January 2027.

Resolution Number 17-26
Close Fiscal Year 2026

RESOLVE, that the Board of Education authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances, adjustments in appropriations in all funds to complete business and to amend appropriations based on actual amount received for Fiscal Year 2026 and report said changes to the Board.

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Resolution Number 18-26
Adoption of 2026 Tax Budget

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby adopt the tax budget for 2026. Tax Budget, Final Version from Auditor's office

Resolution Number 19-26
Resolution to Participate in Grants

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education participate in the following grants for 2026-2027 as they become available:

Auxiliary Services
ECE Preschool Grant
5th Quarter
Public Schools Connectivity
School Bus Purchase Program
IDEA - Part B, Special Education
Martha Holden Jennings Grant
IDEA, Early Childhood Special Education
Title I
Title I-Delinquent
Title II-A Improving Teacher Quality
Title III - Limited English
Title IV
Title V
Any other grants approved by Local, State or Federal agencies or organizations

Resolution Number 20-26
Resolution Authorizing Superintendent to Accept Resignations

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon Board of Education

1. Authorizes the Superintendent on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

2. The authorization provided by this resolution shall remain in effect until withdrawn by formal action of this Board.

Resolution Number 21-26
Resolution to Appoint a School Physician (Attachment #3)

Be it resolved, that the Mount Vernon City Board of Education does hereby appoint Dr. Brent Nimeth, school physician, for the Mount Vernon City School District until the Board's organizational meeting in January 2027, or until such earlier time as this Board of Education shall determine that the services of that school physician are no longer needed.

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Resolution Number 22-26
Resolution to Appoint Treasurer as the Board's Designee for Public Records Training as Required by Ohio Revised Code

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education appoints the Treasurer as the Board's Designee for Public Records Training as required by Ohio Revised Code.

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

Motion carried.

Appointment of Legislative and Student Achievement Liaisons and OSBA Delegate

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Mr. Workman, to approve the following appointments:

Legislative Liaison	Ms. Rugola-Dye
Student Achievement Liaison	Dr. Bennett
OSBA Delegate	Dr. Bennett
OSBA Alternate	Mr. Ward

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

Motion carried.

Ms. Rugola-Dye moved, seconded by Dr. Bennett, to adjourn the organizational meeting at 5:24p.m.

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

BOARD PRESIDENT **TREASURER**

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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: Judy S Forney
Treasurer

By: William Seitz
Superintendent of Schools

By: Jody Anderson
President, Board of Education