



Mt. Vernon Township High School  
Board of Education Regular Board Meeting  
May 15, 2017 - 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by President Matt Flanigan who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members answering to roll call were Kathy Asbery, Brittany Boldt, Tena Elliott, Norma Fairchild, David Kassner, Terry Knowles, and Matthew Flanigan. Also present were Board Secretary Carleka Spann, media and guests.

**Administrative Reports**

**Principal Report**

Board President gave an overview of the Principal's report.

- Teacher Appreciation
- Student Achievement
- Important Dates and Upcoming Events

**Consent Agenda Action Items**

**"The Consent Agenda items for approval are as follows:"**

- A. Minutes: Regular Board Meeting, April 18, 2017  
*Recommendation was to approve the Regular Open Board Minutes of April, 18 2017 as presented.*
- B. Minutes: Regular Open Board Meeting, April 20, 2017.  
*Recommendation was to approve the Regular Open Board Minutes of April 20, 2017 as presented.*
- C. Minutes: Executive Closed Session Meeting, April 20, 2017  
*Recommendation was to approve the Executive Closed Session Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2017.*
- D. Minutes: Special Closed Board Meeting, April 25, 2017  
*Recommendation was to approve the Special Closed Board Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2017 as presented.*
- E. Trips  
*Recommendation was to approve the HOSA trip to Orlando, FL on June 21 - June 25, 2017 as presented.*
- Recommendation was to approve the Skills USA trip to Louisville, KY on June 20 - June 24, 2017 as presented.*
- Recommendation was to approve the Special Olympics trip to Bloomington, IL on June 9- June 11, 2017 as presented.*
- Recommendation was to approve the FBLA trip to Anaheim, CA on June 29 - July 3,*

*2017 as presented.*

F. Establishment of Regular Board of Education Meetings for 2017-2018

*Recommendation was to approve the establishment of the calendar of regular Board of Education Meetings for 2017-2018 as presented.*

G. Financial Reports and Bills April 2017

*Action on this item approved the financial report, bills, and payroll as reviewed by the finance committee.*

*Recommendation was to table the approval of the approval of bills and payroll as presented.*

Motion was made by Fairchild and seconded by Knowles to table the approval of bills and payroll as presented.

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Fairchild, Knowles, Asbery, Boldt, Elliott, Kassner, and Flanigan)

H. Treasurer's Report April 2017

*Recommendation was to approve the April 2017 treasurer's report as reviewed by the finance committee.*

I. Resignations

*Recommendation was to approve the resignation of Administrative Assistant Carleka Spann effective July 14, 2017.*

*Recommendation was to approve the resignation of Family and Consumer Science teacher Lori Banker effective June 5, 2017.*

**Action Items**

A. IASB Governing Board Representative

*Recommendation was to approve the appointment of Terry Knowles as IASB Governing Board Representative for the 2017 - 2019 term as presented.*

Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asbery to approve the appointment of Terry Knowles as IASB Governing Board Representative for the 2017 - 2019 term as presented.

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan.)

B. Franklin/Jefferson Special Education Cooperative Board Representative

*Recommendation was to approve the appointment of David Kassner as Franklin/Jefferson Special Education Cooperative Board Representative for the 2017 - 2019 term as presented.*

Motion was made by Boldt and seconded by Fairchild to approve the appointment of David Kassner as Franklin/Jefferson Special Education Cooperative Board Representative for the 2017 - 2019 term as presented.

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Boldt, Fairchild, Asbery, Elliott, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan)

C. Non-Certified Release from Employment

*Recommendation was to table the discussion on the release of Teacher Assistant Jennifer Ferguson from her employment at Mt. Vernon Township High School effective June 5, 2017.*

Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asbery to table the discussion on the release of Teacher Assistant Jennifer Ferguson from her employment at Mt. Vernon Township High School effective June 5, 2017.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Knowles, Kassner, and Flanigan)

D. Separation Agreement Regarding Administrative Personnel

*Recommendation was to approve the Separation Agreement between Dr. Michael E. Smith and Mt. Vernon Township High School as presented.*

Motion was made by Boldt and seconded by Asbery to approve the Separation Agreement between Dr. Michael E. Smith and Mt. Vernon Township High School as presented.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Boldt, Asbery, Elliott, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan)

E. Retirement

*Recommendation was to approve the retirement of Teacher, Melanie Norman effective the last day of the 2020-2021 school year as presented.*

Motion was made by Kassner and seconded by Fairchild to approve the retirement of Teacher, Melanie Norman effective the last day of the 2020-2021 school year. June 30, 2018 as presented.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Kassner, Fairchild, Asbery, Boldt, Elliott, Knowles, and Flanigan)

*Recommendation was to approve the retirement of Starla Brieseacher effective the last day of the 2020-2021 school year as presented. .*

Motion was made by Kassner and seconded by Knowles to approve the retirement of Starla Brieseacher effective the last day of the 2020-2021 school year as presented.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Kassner, Knowles, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Knowles, and Flanigan)

F. Employment

*Recommendation was to table the discussion to approve the hiring of Tori Hartman as a full time Special Education Teacher at Lane E Step 10 for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.*

*Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asberry to table the discussion to approve the hiring of Tori Hartman as a full time Special Education Teacher at Lane E Step 10 for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.*

*Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan.)*

*Recommendation was to table the discussion on approving the hiring of Christy Prosise as a 9 month Study Hall Supervisor at Lane A Step 10 for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.*

Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asbery to table the discussion on approving the hiring of Christy Prosise as a 9 month Study Hall Supervisor at Lane A Step 10 for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan)

#### **Executive Closed Session**

The appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asbery to approve moving into executive closed session at 7:11 p.m. in accordance with school board policy 2:220 – E2 items:

the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan)

Motion was made by Fairchild and seconded by Elliott to approve entering open session at 7:48 p.m.

*Recommendation was to approve the release of Teacher Assistant Jennifer Ferguson from her employment at Mt. Vernon Township High School effective June 5, 2017.*

Motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Asbery to approve the release of Teacher Assistant Jennifer Ferguson from her employment at Mt. Vernon Township High School effective June 5, 2017.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Elliott, Asbery, Boldt, Fairchild, Kassner, Knowles, and Flanigan)

*Recommendation was to approve the hiring of Tori Hartman as a full time Special Education Teacher at Lane E Step 10 for the 2017 – 2018 school year as presented.*

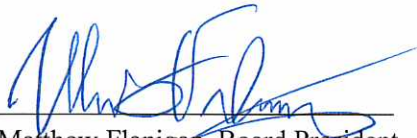
Motion was made by Boldt and seconded by Kassner to approve the hiring of Tori Hartman as a full time Special Education Teacher at Lane E Step 10 for the 2017 – 2018 school year as presented.

Motion was passed by a unanimous vote. (Boldt, Kassner, Asbery, Elliott, Fairchild, Knowles, and Flanigan)

#### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

All members voted Aye and the meeting was adjourned.



Matthew Flanigan, Board President



Carleka Spann, Board Secretary

6-22-17

Date