

Agenda of the
Mt. Vernon Township High School District #201
June 15, 2009
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
7:00 p.m.

Mission Statement

*The Mission Statement expresses the purpose for which we exist
and the functions we perform in a learning process.*

Mt. Vernon Township High School is a community including students, parents, staff, and citizens. The mission is to provide challenging educational and social experiences that will create in all students lifelong learning and responsible citizenship in a diverse and changing world.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

1. Recognition of Public Comments: At this time, items from the public should be heard. Persons speaking need to identify themselves and be brief. If there is a group, please have a spokesperson describe their issues. The time allocation is limited to 3 minutes.
2. Approval of the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes – Regular Open and Closed Board Meeting minutes of May 18, 2009.
 - B. Bills
 - C. Treasurer’s report
3. Measurable outcomes: Recorded on charts and graphs
4. Administrative Reports: Principal/Superintendent
5. Old Business:
 - 5.1 Hearing for amended budget (discussion)
6. New Business:
 - 6.1 Parent request to address Board of Education on weighted grades (discussion)
 - 6.2 2nd reading of student handbook for 2009-2010 school year(discussion)
 - 6.3 Closed session for negotiations/personnel issues – 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
 - 6.4 Approval of amended budget (action)
 - 6.5 Driver’s Education summer program and school year 2009-2010 (discussion/action)
 - 6.6 Approve resignation of special education teacher (discussion/action)
 - 6.7 Approve student teacher resolution with SIU-C (discussion/action)
 - 6.8 Approve resignation of speech and acting instructor (discussion/action)
 - 6.9 Approve speech and acting instructor (discussion/action)
 - 6.10 Discussion of EBB radio license (discussion/action)
 - 6.11 Approve bids for grain, milk, pizza (discussion/action)
 - 6.12 Discussion of stimulus money (discussion)
 - 6.13 Discussion of weighted grades (discussion)
 - 6.14 Discussion of carpet for administrative offices (discussion/action)
 - 6.15 Accept retirement of maintenance employee (discussion/action)
 - 6.16 Approve contract with clerical association (discussion/action)

- 6.17 Set salary for administration/ non contractual employees (action)
- 6.18 Set special meeting to hire attendance clerk and special education teacher (action)
- 6.19 Approve volunteer football coach (discussion/action)

7.0 Adjournment



Notes for June 15, 2009 Board of Education Meeting:

Old Business:

5.1 Information is provided in the packet on the items of the amended budget that are planned to be changed for the 2008-2009 school year. Included are the new budget and 4 beginning pages of the prior budget. Jane will go over major changes including the 4 introduction pages of the budget and complete new amended budget.

New Business

6.1 Mrs. Stephanie Walters has requested to address the board in regard to weighted grades. She has concerns over our policy and the effect it has had on her sons. I have no information in advance. I have called her to see if she will be at the meeting and have no response from the family.

6.2 A copy of the student handbook for next year was included in last month's packet. The changes were highlighted. This is 2nd reading with formal adoption expected. Please direct questions to Susan as well as any other questions during the month regarding the student handbook. This is the time to make any changes if items in the handbook cause concern. I will seek approval.

6.3 Closed session for discussion of personnel and contract negotiations. A separate sheet is enclosed.

6.4 I will ask for approval of the amended budget.

6.5 Enclosed you have a proposed idea for driver's education. This is an attempt to get more driver's education students moving towards freshman driver's education. Ron will discuss the options and cost. Also, we have been told our car rental will go to \$475.00 per month from \$375.00 per month. That will cost the district over \$1400.00 per month. I believe we can purchase 3 cars cheaper per month, also the school would use the cars we purchase for evening travel and save monthly mileage reimbursements. I believe in mileage we could easily save \$150.00 per month district wide. I will seek permission to get prices for vehicles for the board to consider at the July meeting.

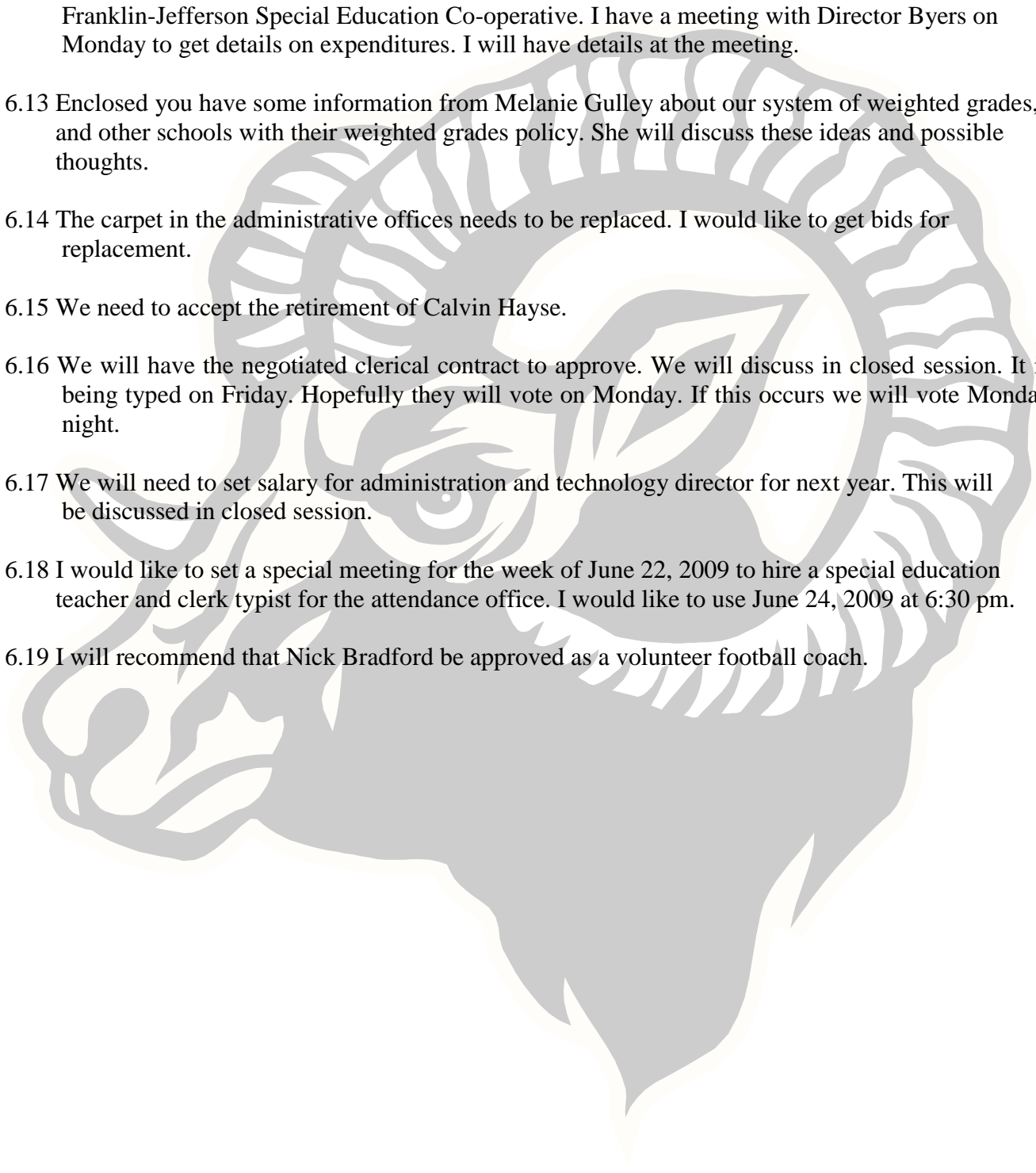
6.6 We need to accept the resignation of Melissa Cockburn as Special Education teacher and Special Olympics co-sponsor.

6.7 We have a resolution from SIU-C requesting student teachers be allowed to gain experience at the school. Enclosed is a copy. I recommend that we approve.

6.8 We need to accept the resignation of Sheila Stowers from speech and acting.

6.9 I will recommend the hiring of Jeff Bourne for speech and acting.

6.10 Enclosed you have a copy of the EBB license proposal from Mt. Vernon Net. I think this is fair and should be considered. Thursday, Todd Gray, the attorney working with Don Musick, called telling me that he now has interest from another group. We can go ahead and sell the license to Mt. Vernon Net, or wait to see what this other offer might include.

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- 6.11 Bids for grain, dairy, and pizza will be opened Friday, June 12, 2009. I will have recommendations at the meeting.
- 6.12 We will be getting stimulus money over the next 2 years. The money will all be ran through Franklin-Jefferson Special Education Co-operative. I have a meeting with Director Byers on Monday to get details on expenditures. I will have details at the meeting.
- 6.13 Enclosed you have some information from Melanie Gulley about our system of weighted grades, and other schools with their weighted grades policy. She will discuss these ideas and possible thoughts.
- 6.14 The carpet in the administrative offices needs to be replaced. I would like to get bids for replacement.
- 6.15 We need to accept the retirement of Calvin Hayse.
- 6.16 We will have the negotiated clerical contract to approve. We will discuss in closed session. It is being typed on Friday. Hopefully they will vote on Monday. If this occurs we will vote Monday night.
- 6.17 We will need to set salary for administration and technology director for next year. This will be discussed in closed session.
- 6.18 I would like to set a special meeting for the week of June 22, 2009 to hire a special education teacher and clerk typist for the attendance office. I would like to use June 24, 2009 at 6:30 pm.
- 6.19 I will recommend that Nick Bradford be approved as a volunteer football coach.