

# MVTHS adopts seven goals for district

*District sees a total ending balance of \$5.96 million for the month of June after expenditures and revenue*

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MT. VERNON — During a power-point presentation by Mt. Vernon Township High School (MVTHS) Superintendent Mike Smith Monday night, seven district and administrative goals were lined out for the upcoming year.

The goals are to help the administration in several areas, such as board policies, district and school improvement plans, areas of responsibility, and measurements and dashboard reporting.

According to Smith, the state of Illinois told the district about areas that could use more research and improvement, and the district outlined the goals for the upcoming year to fit those areas. The Board approved the seven goals, which will be turned into the state.

The goals include engaging in efforts to establish and maintain a safe and orderly environment, set up expectations for all students and staff to perform, build and maintain strong instructional leadership, establish a system that facilitates communication centered on a clear and focused mission, establish a maximum time on tasks and expands the opportunity for all students to learn, establish a structure to support monitoring of all student progress, and build and integrate strong in-house relations.

The Board also discussed and approved the treasurer's report, ending June 30.

According to Finance Director Angie Brentlinger, the district started with a beginning balance

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of \$3,688,575.31 in the month of June. After expenditures totaling \$1,040,588.84 and incoming revenue of \$713,781.36, the total checking balance came in at \$3,361,797.83.

Brentlinger added that the district paid \$586,279.95 in bills for the month and paid an additional \$73,900.93 on July 5 for employee payroll.

The total ending balance for the district is \$5,968,369.94 for the month.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Board approved the resignation of music teacher Julie Wilkerson;

- The Board approved the Area Vocational Center (AVC) fiscal year 2012 budget;

- The Board approved the release of closed session minutes for January to June 2012;

- The Board approved and adopted policy updates;

- The Board approved the final payment for the Door Replacement Project in the amount of \$5,884.60 to Lipps Construction;

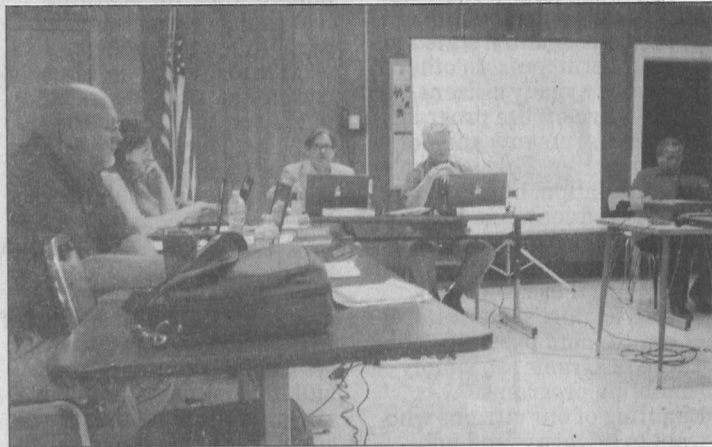
- The Board approved the employment of Megan Blockus as family and consumer science teacher;

- The Board discussed finishing summer maintenance projects, such as titles, easements, and soil testing on the recently purchased land by August 31st;

- The Board was notified that the activity fund ended with \$187,508.32 in June.

- And the Board was notified that the vocational account ended with \$127,022.63 in June.

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**NEXT YEAR GOALS** — The Mt. Vernon Township High School Board met Monday night to discuss upcoming district and administrative goals for the 2012-13 fiscal year. Those pictured are, FROM LEFT, Greg Backes, Karen Goodwine, Kimberly Alvis, Superintendent Mike Smith, Board President Carl Miller, Secretary Shirilyn Holt, and Finance Director Angie Brentlinger. Board members Robert Stewart and Jon Hawthorne, and Principal Wes Olsen were also present.

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