

Mount Pleasant Gets Radio OK

The Federal Communications Commission has authorized construction of an educational FM radio station at Mount Pleasant High School.

Dr. Jack V. Irion, Mount Pleasant Special School District superintendent last night said the station should be on the air before the end of the school year.

Announcement of FCC approval for the station was made last night at the district's Board of Education meeting.

The idea for the station was originated last year by the school's student council. The station will be completely operated by students and is being financed by donations.

Irion said more than \$1,000 has already been given to the station, and several thousand dollars worth of new and used equipment has been donated by local radio stations and electronic companies.

The FCC approval allows the school to proceed with construc-

tion. A final permit must be secured before the station can go on the air. The station will be non commercial.

In other action, the board heard a report from its athletic advisory committee, stating a need for a full-time athletic director to supervise the district's physical education program and improve it to the level of the district's academic proficiency.

The committee, which was appointed in late 1967, reported that "there is very little coordination of the (present athletic) program" and "great overlapping and gaps presently exist that result in indifference, bickering and inefficiency."

It also requested creation of a council to develop and improve the athletic program, refurbishing of athletic fields and facilities, an increased allocation of funds per pupil for athletics and physical education and an improved corrective program for pupils with physical education deficiencies.