

**Merrill Area Public Schools
Special Board Meeting
March 28, 2017 – Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Jen Seliger at 5:30 PM in the Central Office Board Room.

Board members present: Nubs Ashbeck, Kevin Blake, Paul Proulx, Jeremy Ratliff, Jon Smith, Maria Volpe, Linda Yingling and Jen Seliger. Board members absent: Eric Geiss. Others Present: Dr. John Sample, Superintendent; Cindy Heinz, Director of Human Resources; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Volpe to approve the revisions to the teacher contracts regarding liquidated damages amounts, breach of contract language and employee election of 24 paychecks. Motion carried unanimously.

President Seliger amended the teacher list provided to reflect that the salaries are for 2016-2017.

MOTION by Blake, second by Ratliff to approve the teaching contracts for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

President Seliger called for a motion to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Sections 19.85(1)(b) considering dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, or considering the grant or denial of tenure for a university faculty member, and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the faculty member or other public employee or person licensed is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action may be taken; (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; and, (f) considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations. The purpose of the closed session is to discuss specific positions and staff members in regards to preliminary consideration of non-renewal for the purpose of reduction in teaching staff and/or performance issues. MOTION by Proulx, second by Smith to adjourn into executive session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MOTION by Ashbeck, second by Blake to adjourn at 6:07 p.m.



Kevin Blake
Clerk

Tammy Woller
Recorder