

**Merrill Area Public Schools  
Regular Board of Education Meeting  
August 17, 2022 – Minutes**

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The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Blake at 5:30 PM in the MAPS Board Room.

Board members present: Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Ron Liberty, Kendra Osness, Paul Proulx, Maria Volpe, Brett Woller, Linda Yingling and Kevin Blake (a quorum was present).

Board members absent: None. Others Present: Shannon M. Murray, Superintendent; Glenda Oginski, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Karen Baker, Director of Pupil Services/SPED; Dr. Kelley Strike, Director of Business Services; Dale Bergman, Director of Buildings & Grounds/Transportation; Trisha Detert, High School Principal; Megan Kautzer, High School Associate Principal; Brad Potter, High School Associate Principal; Amy Stutzriem, Elementary Principal twelve people from the staff and public; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

President Blake led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

During Recognition, new staff members Holly Hartwig, Perry Scott, Trey Seubert, Kacie Schultz, Michelle Steffen, Marissa Duginski, Julie Oehmichen, Chloe Morris and John Heuer introduced themselves to the Board.

Administrative reports were shared with the Board including: an Employee Engagement survey results report; Student Satisfaction survey results report; Parent/Caregiver Satisfaction survey results report; New Teacher Orientation/Inservice report; 2011 Wisconsin Act 125 Seclusion and Restraint reporting; Business Services Update; Buildings & Grounds/Transportation Update; and, the Superintendent's Report.

Committee reports were shared with the Board including from the Finance/HR, Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services and Facilities Committees.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Liberty to proceed with the \$2.5 million, 4-year, non-recurring referendum on the November 8, 2022 election. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Liberty, second by Proulx to approve the Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$2,500,000 Per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Volpe to approve the Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$2,500,000 Per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MOTION by Liberty, second by Volpe to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Taxable Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note for Cash Flow Purposes in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,000,000. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the 2011 Wisconsin Act 125 Seclusion and Restraint Reporting.

MOTION by Osness, second by Liberty to approve the updates to the 2022-2023 Academic Year Calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Osness to approve the Health Service Agreement between Lincoln County Health Department and Pine River School for Young Learners for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Liberty to approve the Lincoln County Health Services Agreement for the 2022-2023 school year, grades 4K-12 and Northern Achievement Center in the amount of \$115,104. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Gremler to approve the additional special education assistant at Kate Goodrich Elementary School to meet the needs of a student with an IEP. Motion carried unanimously.

There was a review on summer maintenance projects.

MOTION by Liberty, second by Proulx to approve the project with Systems Technologies to provide an updated paging system and synchronized clock system for Washington Elementary School as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Osness, second by Liberty to change the September 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting date to September 28, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed Technical Corrections Made Throughout Policy Manual to Change the District Compliance Officer from Edward Then to John Hagemeister.

MOTION by Liberty, second by Proulx to approve the attached [personnel report](#), contingent upon the satisfaction of the appropriate liquidated damages for resignations, if applicable. Motion carried with Blake abstaining from the hiring of Casandra and Gavin Wroblewski.

President Blake asked if anyone wanted anything pulled from the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, he called for a motion.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Liberty to approve consent agenda items a through c, which includes minutes of the July 20, 2022, meetings; claims, vouchers and receipts totaling \$2,523,217.17; and, donations totaling \$200.00. Motion carried with Krueger abstaining from the July 20, 2022 minutes.

There were no additional topics for "Items for Future Meetings and Possible Action to Approve the Future Discussions Thereof."

Radio Schedule: Thursday, August 18, 2022 at 8:15 AM @ Bluejay 730 Radio Station

#### Future Meetings

- Facilities Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 @ 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Finance/HR Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room

- Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room

President Blake called for a MOTION to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Section 19.85(1)(d) Except as provided in s. 304.06 (1) (eg) and by rule promulgated under s. 304.06 (1) (em), considering specific applications of probation, extended supervision or parole, or considering strategy for crime detection or prevention. The purpose of the closed session is to discuss MAPS safety protocols. MOTION by Volpe, second by Yingling to adjourn into executive session. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

6:06 p.m. - 5 minute break to get organized.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Liberty to adjourn at 6:44 p.m.

Kendra Osness  
Board Clerk

Tammy Woller  
Recorder