

**Merrill Area Public Schools
Special Board of Education Meeting
April 25, 2022 – Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Blake at 5:37 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

Board members present: Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Kendra Osness, Paul Proulx, Maria Volpe, Brett Woller, Linda Yingling and Kevin Blake (a quorum was present). Board members absent: None. Others present: Dr. John Sample, Superintendent; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

Newly elected board members Jacqueline Gremler, Paul Proulx and Linda Yingling recited the oath of office.

President Blake reviewed the ground rules for election of officers.

President Blake opened the floor for nominations for President. Proulx nominated Kevin Blake for President.

President Blake called for additional nominations for President. Yingling nominated Maria Volpe for President.

President Blake called for a third time for nominations for President.

The vote was conducted by paper ballot. Votes were counted by Tammy Woller. Kevin Blake received 5 votes; and, Maria Volpe received 4 votes. **Board President for the 2022-2023 term is Kevin Blake.**

President Blake opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. Liberty nominated Brett Woller for Vice President.

President Blake called for additional nominations for Vice President. Yingling nominated Maria Volpe for Vice President.

President Blake called for a third time for nominations for Vice President.

The vote was conducted by paper ballot. Votes were counted by Tammy Woller. Maria Volpe received 5 votes; and, Brett Woller received 4 votes. **Board Vice President for the 2022-2023 term is Maria Volpe.**

President Blake opened the floor for nominations for Clerk. Woller nominated Ron Liberty for Clerk.

President Blake called for additional nominations for Clerk. Volpe nominated Kendra Osness for Clerk.

President Blake called a total of three times for additional nominations for Clerk.

The vote was conducted by paper ballot. Votes were counted by Tammy Woller. Ron Liberty received 4 votes; and, Kendra Osness received 5 votes. **Board Clerk for the 2022-2023 term is Kendra Osness.**

President Blake opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer. Osness nominated Brett Woller for Treasurer.

President Blake called a total of three times for additional nominations for Treasurer.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Volpe to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Brett Woller for Treasurer. Motion carried with Woller abstaining from the vote. **Board Treasurer for the 2022-2023 term is Brett Woller.**

MOTION by Woller, second by Volpe to approve the board goals (as written) for the Board of Education for 2022-2023. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Woller, second by Liberty to hold one regular monthly board meeting on the 3rd or 4th Wednesdays of each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Woller, second by Volpe to appoint Ron Liberty as representative to the CESA #9 Board of Control Representative. Motion carried with Liberty abstaining from the vote.

MOTION by Woller, second by Volpe to appoint Kevin Blake as WASB Delegate and Ron Liberty as the Alternate Delegate. Motion carried unanimously.

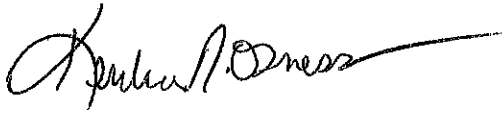
Board Committee appointments will be presented by President Blake at the May 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

President Blake called for a motion to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Section 19.85(1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; (e) deliberating or negotiation of the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; (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 review candidate applications for the Superintendent position beginning 2022-2023 and discuss the process of filling that vacancy. MOTION by Volpe, second by Liberty to adjourn into executive session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

6:14 p.m. - 11 minute break.

Brett Woller left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

MOTION by Volpe, second by Yingling to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kendra Osness', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kendra Osness
Board Clerk

Tammy Woller
Recorder