

**Merrill Area Public Schools
Special Board of Education Meeting
June 5, 2023 – Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Blake at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room

Board members present: Nubs Ashbeck, Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Ron Liberty, Kendra Osness, Brett Woller, Linda Yingling and Kevin Blake (a quorum was present). Board member absent: Paul Proulx. Others present: Shannon Murray, Superintendent; Karen Baker, Director of Pupil Services/Special Education; and, Tammy Woller, Recorder.

President Blake called for a motion to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Section 19.85(1) (a) deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi-judicial trial or hearing before that governmental body; (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; and, 118.125 for the purpose of considering the early entrance of a student that may involve discussions of confidential student records, and to discuss other matters involving student records and personal histories that, if discussed in public, would likely have a substantial adverse effect on the reputations of the persons discussed. The purpose of the closed session is the following: To discuss and consider the appeal of the District Administrator's denial of the early entrance of a student to Kindergarten. MOTION by Liberty, second by Ashbeck to adjourn into closed session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MOTION by Woller, second by Ashbeck to reconvene into open session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MOTION by Osness, second by Gremler to approve the appeal request of the parents of Student A for early entrance to kindergarten and allow Student A to begin Kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed and discussed facility study options prior to the community focus groups.

MOTION by Ashbeck, second by Yingling to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

Kendra Osness
Board Clerk

Tammy Woller
Recorder