

**Merrill Area Public Schools  
Special Board of Education Meeting  
April 10, 2024 – Minutes**

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The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Blake at 6:16 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room

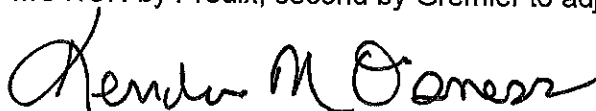
Board members present: Nubs Ashbeck, Jacqueline Gremler, Chad Krueger, Ron Liberty, Kendra Osness, Paul Proulx, Linda Yingling and Kevin Blake. Board members absent: Brett Woller. Others present: None.

President Blake called for a motion to to adjourn into executive (closed) session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes under Section 19.85(1)(f) for the purpose of considering, and taking action as appropriate, related to personal histories and preliminary consideration of possible policy violations by one or more Board members, which, if discussed in public, would likely have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of such persons; and, consider and act upon parental requests for student opt out of state assessments, including the potential for a closed session(s) to review the specifics applicable to the affected student(s) if the discussion of such in open session would be likely to have an adverse effect upon the reputation of such student(s) pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats. Any such closed session(s) shall be immediately followed by reconvening in open session for further consideration and, ultimately, action upon the parental requests. MOTION by Osness, second by Liberty to adjourn into closed session. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

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

MOTION by Proulx, second by Liberty to waive compensation for board members (for tonight's meeting). Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Proulx, second by Gremler to adjourn at 6:39 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.



Kendra Osness  
Board Clerk