

**West Shore Educational Service District
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting/Election
June 5, 2023
West Shore ESD**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Greiner at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Vincent Greiner, Ellen Kerans, James Dittmer, Shirley Chancellor,
Mark Forner, Irma Hinojosa, Jim Riffle

Members Absent: None

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Welcome and Introductions of Guests

The following administrators and guests were present.

Administrators: Jason Jeffrey, Kerri Harrie, Tracy Lilje

Guests: Kelsey Prescott/Pentwater, Jim Schulte/MCC, Scott Foster/Ludington,
Doug Fris/Shelby, Albert Tanner/Walkerville

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Chancellor, support by Riffle, that the June 5, 2023 Board of Education Agenda be approved as printed. Motion carried 7-0.

V. Communication to Board

A. Written Communication

None

B. Comments and Concerns of Citizens Present

Hannah O'Connor and Jess Blaukamp expressed concerns of the distribution of a book that was provided to local schools and their support of the book.

VI. Board of Education Election

As identified in statute, the president and secretary of the intermediate school board shall act as chairperson and secretary at the meeting. To avoid any conflict of interest, President Greiner appointed an Assistant Chairperson to conduct the election portion of the meeting.

Motion by Dittmer, support by Riffle, that the West Shore ESD Board of Education appoint Ellen Kerans as Assistant Chairperson to chair the meeting for the election process.

Motion carried 7-0.

A. Casting of Votes – Ballots were created and available to the eight local school district representatives to vote for the two open seats on the West Shore ESD Board of Education. Five of the eight local districts' appointed representatives were in attendance at the meeting and were therefore able to vote for the candidates designated by their local school board's resolution.

B. Voting Results – Two candidates were unanimously elected for six-year terms (ending in 2029) were identified.

Motion by Forner, support by Chancellor, that the canvassed votes be accepted identifying Vincent Greiner and Jim Riffle for six year terms ending in June 2029 as newly elected West Shore ESD Board of Education members.

Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Jeffrey delivered the Constitutional Oath of Office to board members Greiner and Riffle.

VII. Consent Agenda

Motion by Kerans, support by Forner, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried 7-0.

A. Minutes of the regular meeting on May 9, 2023

VIII. Board of Education Reports and/or Actions

A. Business Office Update– Kerri Harrie recommended the 2023 millage rates for the 2023-2024 budgets and the annual WSESD Summer Tax Levy Resolution for approval.

Motion by Chancellor, support by Hinojosa, that the Board approve the 2023 millage rates for the 2023-2024 budgets. The rates are: General Education 0.2750, Special Education 2.3726, and Career-Technical Education 0.9175.

Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Chancellor, support by Kerans, that the WSESD Board approve the 2024 Annual Resolution to levy a Summer Property Tax as presented.

Motion carried 7-0.

IX. Other Matters for Possible Action

A. Suggested Meeting Guide

B. Adjournment – With no further business before the board, the June 5, 2023 Regular Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Chancellor, Secretary
West Shore ESD Board of Education

Tracy Lilje
Recording Secretary