

MERTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Meeting of Board of Education
Monday, April 7, 2025
6:00 p.m.
Merton Primary School Library

Board Member Kent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members in attendance were Dean Dobbertin, Rebecca Imes, Justen Kent, Nicole Cotton and Troy Andersen. District Administrator Russ was in attendance. There were no reporters and approximately 15 citizens in person.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Andersen, second by Cotton to approve the agenda as presented with addition of the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion carried 5-0.

The Pledge of Allegiance occurred.

A. Personnel Actions (Action)

Motion by Imes, second by Dobbertin to accept the resignation of Susanne Fuller, Sarah Mehring, and Christine Nettesheim as presented. Motion was rescinded for a desire to make separate motions.

Motion by Dobbertin, second by Andersen to accept the resignation of Sarah Mehring. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dobbertin, second by Cotton to accept the resignation of Christine Nettesheim. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dobbertin, second by Cotton to accept the resignation of Susanne Fuller. Motion carried 4-1 with Andersen voting no.

B. Reconsideration of a contract for an Associate Principal at Merton Primary School (Action)

Motion by Dobbertin, second by Imes for the Board to reconsider offering a contract for an Associate Principal at Merton Primary School. Motion failed 2 (Dobbertin and Imes voting yes) - 3 (Kent, Andersen, and Cotton voting no).

C. Rescind censure of Board Member Troy Andersen (Action)

Motion by Cotton, second by Kent to rescind the the censure of Board Member Troy Andersen. Motion carried 3 (Kent, Andersen, and Cotton voting yes) - 2 (Dobbertin and Imes voting no)

- D. Motion by Dobbertin, second by Imes go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) (e), (f), and (g) the Board of Education may move into Closed Session for the purpose of:
- A. Approval of Closed Session Minutes for January 6, 2025
 - B. Discussion of 2025-26 initial proposal of base wage negotiations with Arrowhead United Teachers Organization (AUTO)
 - C. Considering employment compensation of District Administrator, Administrators, Support Staff, and Confidential Staff
 - D. Motion and roll call vote to return to Open Session to announce or take action, if any and if appropriate.

Roll call vote - Dobbertin - Yes, Imes - Yes, Cotton - Yes, Andersen - Yes, Kent - Yes. Motion carried 5-0. (6:36 p.m.)

No action was announced after the closed session.

Motion by Dobbertin, second Imes to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0 (Andersen absent) at 9:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Cotton
District Clerk