

School District of West Salem  
Special Board Meeting Minutes  
January 15, 2024  
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 3:30 p.m.

**Convene**

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m. by Vice President Tom Grosskopf. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on January 10, 2024. This meeting was at the request of a Board Member.

*Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag*

Ryan Rieber led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Shawn Handland recited the District Mission Statement.

*Roll Call*

Present: Erik Peterson, Chris Peterson, Tom Grosskopf, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administration: Ryan Rieber, Alex Hubing, Scott Johnson, Ryan Olson, and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Payton Greer and Sam Stenberg. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Catherine Griffin, Bob Minard, and Robin Fitzgerald.

*Approval of Agenda*

S. Gavaghan moved, E. Peterson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Closed Session**

T. Grosskopf welcomed the motion for closed session: Closed session, under exemption provided for in WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (To review proposals from architectural firms; interview such firms regarding terms, conditions and costs; discuss, consider, and take action, if appropriate, regarding the proposals for the District's building projects).

S. Gavaghan moved, C. Peterson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 3:33 p.m. A roll call vote was taken: S. Gavaghan, Aye; E. Peterson, Aye; C. Peterson, Aye; and T. Grosskopf, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

*Closed Session*

**Adjournment**

S. Gavaghan moved, C. Peterson seconded to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Erik Peterson, Acting Clerk