

Governing Board Minutes

September 10, 2025

Via Zoom/ in person

Call to Order: President Dederling called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Voting members Reiter, Rebne, Billmann, Palmer, and Dederling were present. Members Sixel and Molina were absent. Advisory member Sue Steiner was present, but Randy Koppenhaver was absent. Also present were Principal Sarah Scovell-Muraski and Jen Owen.

Secretary Report: On a motion by Elaine Reiter with a second by Dennis Dederling the minutes as presented by Secretary Palmer were unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Reiter notes: Charles does not yet have the 2025-26 budget set up. Principal Scovell-Muraski shared that there has been a significant uptick in special education students, and our budget surplus supports that we have the resources to hire a second special education teacher. This is a current teacher who will be becoming full-time by adding special education to her current responsibilities. There is no new official treasurer's report at this time.

Kiel eSchool Report

Open Enrollments Continue

37 Students as of 9/4 (OE or Resident) (+2)

88 Partner students (+38) FT

76 Partner PT

(August 2024 24 Open Enrolled/Resident, 39 Partner)

Students with IEP's: 23

Between the Lakes Virtual Academy Report:

Open Enrollments Continue

25 Students as of 9/3 (OE or Resident) (+2) (+1 pending)

35 Partner students (+15) FT

11 Partner PT (Spanish cohort/other)

(August 2024 21 Open Enrolled/Resident, 21 partner, 2 Part-time)

Students with IEP's: 23 (with eSchool)

Students with SLP only: 4

Partnerships:

Barron

Brillion

Genoa City (4K-8)

Herman-Neosho-Rubicon (HNR)

Horicon*

Hustisford

Luxemburg-Casco

Mishicot

Oostburg

Osseo-Fairchild

Portage

Pulaski

Racine United

Random Lake

West DePere

Weston

Whitefish Bay

Winneconne

St. Thomas Aquinas

Fall River

Howard-Suamico

Mt Horeb

Neenah Joint SD

Mayville

Pending: Hartland-Lakeside, Reedsville

Partners: 25

Leaving partnership for 25-26

Omro

Darien/Delavan

Sevastopol

Tell Me Something Good

Principal Scovell-Muraski was encouraged to add this as a regular section to our meetings as it is used at the KASD Board meetings.

Great parent meetings!

Positive feedback from parents

Shoutouts to:

Jennifer Owen and Sandy Sickinger for impressive turn-around with dozens of new students during the first two weeks of school.

Middle School team for a great orientation/troubleshooting session.

Korben Biersack for putting together plans for the influx of new special education students.

Professor Joe Schauwitzer for expanding Spanish offerings and expanding discussion meets and collaborations.

Old Business

[Virtual School apparel/swag](#) will close on 9/21.

Randy Koppenhaver has officially submitted his resignation from the BTLVA/Kiel eSchool Governing Board due to conflicts with his other professional responsibilities.

Principal Scovell-Muraski warned members to beware of fake scam emails and noted that she might contact Kelly Ward about putting in addition security.

New Business

New part time Special Education teacher On a motion by Dennis Dederling with a second by Eileen Palmer, the board unanimously supported the increase of **Rebecca Luedeman** to full time to fulfill additional responsibilities in the area of special education.

Each board member serves a 3-year term with renewals possible. This is the current status of the 3-year rotating term:

Dennis Dederling Year 1

Eileen Palmer Year 1

Deb Sixel Year 2

Vicmary Molina Year 2

Elaine Reiter Year 2

Alexia Rebne Year 2

Faye Billmann Year 3

Future meeting dates: Wednesdays 9:30 AM (except where noted*) Please review these dates.

The next meeting will be on 10/8, 2025.

11/12/25

12/3/25

1/14/26

2/11/26

3/11/26

4/15/26* third Wed due to ACT testing

5/13/26

Adjournment: On a motion by Dennis Dederling with a second by Faye Billmann the board approved adjourning to Executive session. At 10:12 on a motion by Eileen Palmer with a second by Faye Billmann the board approved returning to regular session for final adjournment. On a motion by Alexia Rebne with a second by Eileen Palmer the meeting was adjourned.