

I. The special session/ organizational meeting of the Watertown-Mayer School Board in the Watertown City Hall on Monday, January 8, 2024 was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chair Hunter Feldt. Board members present: Feldt, Burns, Danielson, Schulz, Guetzkow, Neaton, and Onell. Board members absent: None. Administrative team members present: Superintendent Schuler.

II. **Visitor requests and consideration of the agenda.** Visitor MMS (Motion made and Seconded by) Neaton and Danielson to approve the agenda as presented. Passes 7-0.

III. **Reorganization**

A. Election of Board Officers

- a. Chair- Motion made by Burns to nominate Hunter Feldt. Hunter Feldt elected as Board Chairperson by acclamation of the Board.
- b. Vice-Chair - Motion made by Danielson to nominate Jim Burns. Jim Burns elected as Vice-Chairperson by acclamation of the Board.
- c. Clerk - Motion made by Guetzkow to nominate Katy Jo Danielson. Katy Jo Danielson elected as Clerk by acclamation of the Board.
- d. Treasurer - Motion made by Feldt to nominate Erika Schulz. Erika Schulz elected as Treasurer by acclamation of the Board.

B. MMS Feldt and Burns to approve the 2024 calendar dates and meeting times for the Watertown-Mayer Regular School Board meeting to be held at the Watertown City Hall at 6 PM. Passes 7-0.

C. MMS Guezkow and Danielson to approve the following official designations for FY 24: Newspaper - Herald Journal; Bank Depositories: Bremer Bank and MN Trust/ PMA Financial Network, LLC.; Legal Advisors -Kennedy & Graven, Chartered; Financial Advisors: Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLCI and MN Trust/ PMA Financial Network, LLC. Passes 7-0.

D. MMS Burns and Onell to approve Superintendent Schuler, Finance Officer Lisa Raiter and Contracted District Payroll Processor, Vicki Braegelmann to initiate, transfer, invest and authorize district funds and transfers on behalf of WM ISD #111 School District for FY 2024, and for District Office Administrative Assistant, HEather Heun to perform some duties of clerk. Passes 7-0.

E. MMS Schulz and Neaton to approve the School Board compensation for 2024. Noted by board was to revisit this compensation with nearby district comparatives next year. Passes 7-0.

F. MMS Burns and Guetzkow to approve the School Board Committee assignments for FY 24. Passes 7-0.

IV. **Review/ Information Items:**

A. Superintendent Schuler and Chair Feldt reviewed with the board Policy 209- Code of Ethics, reiterating the importance of following this policy as a school board member.

MMS Guetzkow and Onell to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 PM and was duly passed.