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November 24, 2021

TO: School Board Members of Region I Member School Districts  
FROM: Robert Wheeler, Executive Director  
RE: Joint Powers Board Election

A ballot to vote for the candidates for the Region I Joint Powers Board is attached to this memo. The summary background information about the candidates is included with each ballot. Please complete the ballot and return it to your Superintendent. The completed ballots must be returned to the Region I offices before the December 30, 2021 deadline. There are three vacancies up for election this year on the Joint Powers Board. If you choose to write in the name of a candidate, that person must be on the school board of a Region I member district. Please make sure that any write-in candidates understand the nature of the position and are willing to perform the duties. Indicate the person's home school district on the ballot next to their name. A school district may only have one representative on the Region I Joint Powers Board.

There are currently six Joint Powers Board members with continuing terms who are not up for election – Rebekah Meder of Underwood, Greg Berg of Barnesville, Melissa Burgard of Moorhead, Melanie Cole of Fergus Falls, James Ferden of Win-E-Mac and Judith Moeller of Parkers Prairie. The election results will be tabulated and presented at the Joint Powers Board meeting to be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at the Region I offices in Moorhead, Minnesota. Subsequent notification of the election results will be made to the candidates and member school districts.

Thank you for your participation in the election!

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL ELECTION**

**JOINT POWERS BOARD CANDIDATES  
Region I**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Put a Cross Mark (X) opposite each candidate you wish to vote for. You may write in the names of other candidates on the blank spaces provided.**

**DO NOT VOTE FOR MORE THAN THREE PEOPLE INCLUDING WRITE-IN CANDIDATES.**

(X)	NAME	REPRESENTING
	Leslie Anderson	ISD 261 – Ashby
	James Devries	ISD 432 – Mahnomon
	Mark Koland	ISD 2358 – Tri-County

# **REGION I Information Management Services JOINT POWERS BOARD CANDIDATES**

## **Leslie Anderson, ISD 261, Ashby**

- Member of Region I Joint Powers Board for two years.
- Ashby School Board member for the last four years.
- Employed – Registered Nurse

## **James Devries, ISD 432, Mahnomon**

- Member of Region I Joint Powers Board for 12 years.
- Mahnomon School Board member for the last 26 years.
- Member of Northwest Service Cooperative Board of Directors.
- Self employed - farmer and small business owner.

## **Mark Koland, ISD 2358, Tri-County**

- Member of Region I Joint Powers Board for six years
- Tri-County School Board member for the last 12 years.
- Employed – Recycling Industry