MARK SCHNEIDER 815.528.8115 CANDIDACY STATEMENT

- I am running for the Williams Bay School Board because I believe that I would be an
 excellent bridge between the community and the school. I have been a teacher, an
 administrator, and worked with school boards for 38 years. I believe in the values of our
 community and I think it is important to continue to inspire our students with these
 values.
- 2. My qualifications are as follows:
 - a. Thirty-eight years of experience in education including teaching, coaching basketball, Athletic Director, and Department Chairperson.
 - b. Excellent team member who has a strong history of listening to all stakeholders and their unique perspectives.
- 3. The reason I am running, is because I believe that before anything else, students are job #1!! The challenges they are facing in these difficult times must be examined and a realistic assessment of where students are academically and emotionally should be addressed. We must continue to focus on serving our children by continuing to provide a high quality education. The school board must strive to have open dialogue with the community and all other stakeholders including the students themselves.
- 4. If elected, one issue I would like to address is a stronger emphasis on the importance of our students becoming involved in school and community activities. In my time in education, I have seen first hand that students who engage in after school activities (clubs, band, athletics, theater, etc...) tend to achieve academically and exhibit good school behaviors. Involvement in our community will further instill in Williams Bay students such values as commitment, work ethic, and responsibility.