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Chicago and Wisconsin headline battleground races we're covering this week.

Michael Huebsch

Mike Huebsch is a former member of the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC). He was first appointed in February 2015 by Governor Scott Walker (R).[1] Huebsch succeeded Commissioner Eric Callisto.[2] Commissioners serve six-year terms.[3] Huebsch left office in February 2020.[4]

Huebsch is a former Republican member of the Wisconsin State Assembly, representing District 94 from 1995 to 2011. He resigned from the legislature on January 3, 2011, after being named by Gov. Walker as the state's Administration Secretary.[4][5] He previously served on the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors from 1992-1995.

Mike Huebsch
Nonpartisan
Prior offices
Wisconsin State Assembly District 94
Wisconsin Department of Administration Secretary
Wisconsin Public Service Commission Successor: Tyler Huebner

Biography

Before joining the PSC, Huebsch served four years as Wisconsin Department of Administration Secretary. His past state government experience also includes 16 years in the state legislature and serving on the La Crosse County Board.[6]

Huebsch attended Onalaska High School and Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Oklahoma.[7]

He has been a member of a number of organizations, including the American Legislative Exchange Council, Family and Children's Center Community Board, Greater La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce, Holmen Rod and Gun Club, National Rifle Association (NRA), Onalaska Business Association, Onalaska Rotary Club, Rod and Gun Club, Sons of the American Legion and Board of Advisors of Viterbo College.[8]

Education

- Graduated from Onalaska High School
- Attended Oral Roberts University

Political career

Wisconsin Public Service Commission (2015-2020)

Huebsch served as a member of the Wisconsin Public Service Commission from March 2015 to February 2020.[1][3]

Wisconsin State Assembly (1995-2011)

Huebsch served 16 years as 94th District representative in the Wisconsin State Assembly. His tenure in the state assembly included one term serving as speaker.[9]

Committee assignments

Prior to his resignation, Huebsch served on the following committees:

- Energy and Utilities Committee
- Financial Institutions Committee
- Natural Resources Committee

Elections & appointments

2015

Huebsch was appointed by Gov. Scott Walker to a six-year term on the Wisconsin Public Service Commission, beginning February 2015.[1]

2010

See also: Wisconsin State Assembly elections, 2010

Huebsch was re-elected to Wisconsin State Assembly District 94. He defeated Democrat Cheryl Hancock in the general election on November 2, 2010. He was unopposed in the primary election on September 14.[7]

Wisconsin State Assembly, District 94 General Election (2010)	
Candidates	**Votes**
✔ **Michael Huebsch (R)**	**13,979**
Cheryl Hancock (D)	9,768

Wisconsin State Assembly, District 94 Republican Primary (2010)		
Candidates	**Votes**	**Percent**
✔ **Mike Huebsch (R)**	**4,261**	**99.77%**

Sponsored legislation

Legislation sponsored in 2009 included:

- AB-132 Civil Air Patrol emergency service operation: employer required to grant an unpaid leave of absence; discrimination in employment prohibited; DWD provision
- AB-201 Pupil counts by school districts re report to DPI; January date changed

For a full listing of sponsored legislation and details see the House site.

Campaign donors

2008

The top five donors to Huebsch's 2008 campaign were mostly individuals.[10]

Donor	Amount
American Legislative Exchange Council	$3,097
Irgens, Mark F	$1,000
Houser, Elisa	$1,000
Kolb, Walter L	$750
Hazelbaker, Mark B	$750

Personal

Note: Please contact us if the personal information below requires an update.
Huebsch is married to Valerie Huebsch, with whom he has two children, Ryan and Brett. The family resides in West Salem.[11]

State profile

Presidential voting pattern

See also: Presidential voting trends in Wisconsin

Wisconsin voted for the Democratic candidate in five out of the six presidential elections between 2000 and 2020.

Pivot Counties (2016)

Ballotpedia identified 206 counties that voted for Donald Trump (R) in 2016 after voting for Barack Obama (D) in 2008 and 2012. Collectively, Trump won these **Pivot Counties** by more than 580,000 votes. Of these 206 counties, 23 are located in Wisconsin, accounting for 11.17 percent of the total pivot counties.[12]

Pivot Counties (2020)

In 2020, Ballotpedia re-examined the 206 Pivot Counties to view their voting patterns following that year's presidential election. Ballotpedia defined those won by Trump won as Retained Pivot Counties and those won by Joe Biden (D) as Boomerang Pivot Counties. Nationwide, there were 181 Retained Pivot Counties and 25 Boomerang Pivot Counties. Wisconsin had 21 Retained Pivot Counties and two Boomerang Pivot Counties, accounting for 11.60 and 8.00 percent of all Retained and Boomerang Pivot Counties, respectively.

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Demographic data for Wisconsin		
	Wisconsin	**U.S.**
Total population:	**5,767,891**	316,515,021
Land area (sq mi):	**54,158**	3,531,905
*Race and ethnicity**		
White:	**86.5%**	73.6%
Black/African American:	**6.3%**	12.6%
Asian:	**2.5%**	5.1%
Native American:	**0.9%**	0.8%
Pacific Islander:	**0%**	0.2%
Two or more:	**2.1%**	3%
Hispanic/Latino:	**6.3%**	17.1%
Education		
High school graduation rate:	**91%**	86.7%
College graduation rate:	**27.8%**	29.8%
Income		
Median household income:	**$53,357**	$53,889
Persons below poverty:	**15%**	11.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, "American Community Survey" (5-year estimates, 2010-2015)

Click here for more information on the 2020 census and here for more on its impact on the redistricting process in Wisconsin.

*Note: Percentages for race and ethnicity may add up to more than 100 percent because respondents may report more than one race and the Hispanic/Latino ethnicity may be selected in conjunction with any race. Read more about race and ethnicity in the census here.

Recent news

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See also

- Public Service Commissioner
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- Wisconsin State Assembly
- Wisconsin Legislature

External links

- Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
- Official Wisconsin Assembly website of Representative Michael Huebsch
- Biography from Project Vote Smart
- Legislative Profile from Project Vote Smart
- Campaign Contributions: 2008, 2004 & 1998
- Wisconsin Democracy Campaign profile
- Representative Huebsch's Freedom Speaks profile
- Representative Huebsch's LinkedIn

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Political offices		
Preceded by **Eric Callisto**	**Wisconsin Public Service Commission** 2015-2020	Succeeded by **Tyler Huebner**
Preceded by -	**Wisconsin State Assembly District 94** 1994-2011	Succeeded by **Steve Doyle**

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