

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**Board of Education**  
**Farmington Municipal Schools District Number Five**  
**[Day if week, Month, day, year]**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Stephanie Thompson, President  
Keith Corley, Vice President  
Andra Stradling, Secretary  
Lisa Maxwell, Member  
Krista McWilliams, Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD:**

Cody Diehl, Superintendent  
Chris Pash, Executive Director of Human Resources  
Bobbi Newland, Chief Financial Officer  
Robert Emerson, Chief Technology Officer  
Michelle Blades, Administrative Assistant  
Lauryn Gonzales, Media Specialist  
Roberto Taboada, Public Information Officer

**ABSENT:**

Nicole Lambson - Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
Ted Lasiewicz - Chief of Operations  
Nate Pierantoni - Executive Director of Support Services

**WORK SESSION – 3:45 PM**

1. Armed Campus Safety Monitor Policy E-1000 - Presented by Dale Bode
2. Audit Presentation for 6/30/2023 - Presented by Bobbi Newland
3. Superintendent Evaluation - Presented by Chris Pash

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 5:15 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Called to order at 5:15pm by Stephanie Thompson.

**WELCOME TO GUESTS**

Board Member Krista McWilliams shared some good things happening in the district.

- Congratulations to Mesa View Middle School on their new Bicycle Education

Program, bringing physical, mental, and social benefits to our students.  
Kudos

to P.E. teachers Mike Bejar and Teresa Nienhueser for securing specialized bikes and helmets through a Riding For Focus program grant.

- Also, big congrats to the FHS Boys Basketball Team for winning the 64th annual Hobbs Holiday Tournament with a thrilling 61-58 victory over Cleveland. Well done to players and coaches!
- Hats off to the Boys and Ladies Wrestling Teams from Piedra Vista for their impressive performances in the Duals Tournament and Invitational. Special mention to the PV Lady Panthers for winning the Silver City Girls Invitational. Thanks to our dedicated coaches!  
Lastly, a shout-out to the FMS Student Nutrition Program for expanding the
- composting initiative and promoting agricultural literacy. Proudly, FMS and Santa Fe Public Schools will be acknowledged at Food & Farms Day 2024 at the Roundhouse later this month.

### **SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS**

Presiding Municipal Judge Robert Miller swore in the new elected Board members for:

District 1 - Ms. Stephanie Thompson

District 4 - Ms. Krista McWilliams

District 5 - Lisa Maxwell

### **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICERS**

Vice President Keith Corley nominated the Stephanie Thompson for President, Keith Corley for Vice President, Andra Stradling for Secretary and Lisa Maxwell for Deputy Secretary

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the Board nominations - as presented.

It was moved by Andra Stradling and seconded by Krista McWilliams to appoint Board Officers nominated as presented. The motion carried with the following vote - Ayes; Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE NOMINATIONS FOR THE AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

Board Vice President Corley nominated Andra Stradling, Secretary and Lisa Maxwell, Deputy Secretary to the Audit Committee. Those nominated accepted. Board Vice President nominated Keith Corley, Vice President and Krista McWilliams, Board Member to the Finance Committee. Those nominated accepted.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the Nominations for the Audit and Finance Committees.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams and seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve the Audit and Finance committee nominations as presented. The motion carried with the following vote - Ayes; Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## **CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA**

Superintendent Diehl recommended the agenda be adopted as written.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to adopt the agenda as written. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## **LIMITED PUBLIC FORUM**

Ms. Andrea Cooper spoke regarding the political signs in the classroom (rainbow flag). Ms. Rebekah Davis spoke regarding the policy surrounding signage in schools. Ms. Elycia Herrera spoke regarding the political signs in the classroom. Mr. Bryan McCarty spoke regarding Wrestling travel.

## **SUPERINTENDENT, STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS**

Written reports were provided to the Board Members and are available to the public through the agenda.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve Consent Agenda items 8a through 8b as presented.

It was moved by Keith Corley, seconded by Andra Stradling, to approve Items 8a through 8b on the consent agenda. The motion carried with the following

vote – Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE NOTICE OF SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Auditor Eric Kerrigan with RBC Capital Markets shared the issuance of general obligation bonds and the application to the New Mexico Finance Authority.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the Sale of the General Obligation Bonds and Delegation of Authority - as presented.

It was moved by Andra Stradling, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve the Sale of the General Obligation Bonds and Delegation of Authority- as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PROJECTS**

Chief Financial Officer Bobbi Newland shared what Auditor Eric Kerrigan with RBC Capital Markets mentioned, that we are placing our money with RBC Capital Markets.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the New Mexico Finance Authority for Financial Assistance and Projects - as presented.

It was moved by Andra Stradling, seconded by Keith Corley to approve New Mexico Finance Authority for Financial Assistance and Projects- as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### **READING STEP - POLICY F-1400 NAMING FACILITIES**

Superintendent Diehl asked the Board to look at the policy ideas shared and recommend moving forward with one.

### **READING STEP - POLICY B-2600 POLICY ADOPTION**

Superintendent Diehl asked the Board to look at the policy ideas shared and recommend moving forward with approving at the next Regular meeting.

**APPROVAL STEP - POLICY E-1000 ARMED CAMPUS SAFETY MONITORS**

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the Policy E-1000 Armed Campus Safety Monitors as presented.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve Policy E-1000 Armed Campus Safety Monitors as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**ADVANCED PLANNING**

- January 15, 2024 - Holiday all Offices Closed
- January 31, 2024 to February 3, 2024 - NMSBA Board Institute
- February 13, 2024 - Work Session and Regular Meeting
- February 19, 2024 - Holiday all Offices Closed

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Kieth Corley, seconded by Krista McWilliams, to adjourn. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Lisa Maxwell, Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
[Name] Secretary

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
[Name]President

Approved: February 13, 2024