

UNAPPROVED Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Education

Foley ISD 51

Date: 01/26/2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Independent District No. 51, Foley, Minnesota, was called to order by Chair Pamela Vizenor at 5:30 pm, Monday, 1/26/2026, at the Foley Intermediate School Media Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board members present: Sharon Kipka, Patric Lewandowski, Wayne Wilson, Nathan Anderson, Stephanie Rudnitski, Alyssa Schumacher and Pamela Vizenor.

Board member absent:

Others present: Dan Posthumus, Ryan Fetters and Kelly Gorecki

OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD

- Juliet Branbrink- Community member spoke on the behalf of a Facebook posting over the weekend and supports 1st Amendment rights on Political views.
- Mike Lewandowski- Community Member brought a couple concerns to the board. Questioned why the open Forums are not public on the Board meeting recording on YouTube? Also brought concerns about Facebook and is requesting the board to ask for a resignation or remove the person of interest.
- Emily Fischer- Community member, spoke to the board and reminded them of the 1st Amendment right and stated that she supports the Amendment in regards to the recent Facebook posting.
- Ryan Tenney- Community member, addressed the board in full support of the 1st Amendment. Chair Pamela Vizenor did have to dismiss community member, Ryan Tenney, due to hostility, 58 seconds into his part of the Open Forum.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Motion by **Wayne Wilson** to approve the adoption of the agenda and adding the Table top item- Hire of Connie Fox for the Assistant senior High Speech Coach, seconded by **Patric Lewandowski** and the motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Approval of routine business items: Motion by **Patrick Lewandowski** to approve the meeting minutes from **12/15/2025, 1/5/2026 and 1/8/2026**, board bills and the consent agenda items. Seconded by **Nathan Anderson** and the motion carries unanimously. 7-0

Consent Agenda

1. Retirements-Resignations
 - a. FIS EA- Nina Jahr resigns from her position as of 1/27/2026.
 - b. Van Driver — Lyle Gross resigns from his position as of 1/16/2026.
 - c. District Speech Pathologist teacher, Rebecca Engelmeyer, is retiring on 6/30/2026.

2. Contracts/Adjustments/Position Change

a.** indicates added Table Top item to the contracts

Contracts- New or changed	Individual	Notes	Pay Level/ Amn't
LTS EA FHS	Emma Larsen	starting 1/13/2026, 6.5 hours per day	Step 1= \$19.58 per hour
FIS Homebound Instructor	Deanna Jacobson	Started 12/22/2025, up to 2.33 hours per day	\$29.00 per hour
LTS FHS SPED Teacher	Jeri Johnson	starting 1/5/2026-2/25/2026	\$269.06 per day
Van Driver	Lyle Gross	Started 12/22/2025, up to 2.33 hours per day	Step 1= \$17.39 per hour

On-Staff Extra Curricular	Individual	Notes	Pay Level/ Amn't
EA for Junior High Basketball	Mary Kay Spiczka		\$22.07/Hour
Off-Staff Extra Curricular	Individual	Notes	Pay Level/ Amn't
C-Squad Girls Basketball	Andy Schommer		\$3,864.76 (prorated)
**Assistant Senior High Speech Coach	Connie Fox		\$2,114.04

Booster Club/Volunteer Coaches	Individual	Notes	Pay Level/ Amn't
Boys Basketball	Jay Storkamp	Volunteer Varsity Assistant	\$4,000.00
Wrestling	Elijah Novak	Volunteer Varsity Assistant	\$0
Wrestling	John Dierkes	Volunteer Varsity Assistant	\$0
Wrestling	Adam Winkelman	Volunteer Varsity Assistant	\$0
Wrestling	Kelly Pederson	Volunteer Varsity Assistant	\$0
Wrestling	Brandon Tatum	Volunteer Girls Assistant	\$0
Wrestling	Maddie Kipka	Volunteer Girls Assistant	\$0
Dance	Caitlyn Huck	Volunteer Assistant	\$2,500.00

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

4. Board Bills

Resolution for Accepting Gifts (Action) **RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTING GIFTS (Action)** A motion by **Wayne Wilson** to accept the resolution for accepting gifts, seconded by **Patric Lewandowski**. The motion was unanimously carried by Roll Call Vote 7-0.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS

THEREFOR(Discussion/Action) **(Discussion/Action)** A motion by **Nathan Anderson** to accept the RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFOR , seconded by **Patric Lewandowski**. The motion was unanimously carried by Roll Call Vote 7-0.

Policies requiring review: (Discussion) First reading and call for public comment of the following policies:

- a. POLICY 202- SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS
- b. POLICY 203.5- SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
- c. POLICY 204- SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
- d. POLICY 306- ADMINISTRATOR CODE OF ETHICS
- e. POLICY 606- TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
- f. POLICY 722- PUBLIC DATA AND DATA SUBJECT REQUESTS

Budget-Enrollment Report

Administrator Information and Reports

Meeting Event and Notices Note: This list does not include scheduled events. Please visit www.foley.k12.mn.us for a full calendar or visit the district office.

1/29/2026- Work Session starting at 5:45 in the FIS Media Center

2/9/2026- Regular School Board meeting starting at 5:30pm in the FIS Media Center

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board members shared comments and thanked those who offer time, talents, and donations to our district.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DACCS, Wellness, Benton Stearns, Building/Grounds, Health & Safety, Insurance, MSBA, MSHSL, Policy, Superintendent Eval., Tenure and Contracts/Negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Sharon Kipka** to adjourn the meeting at **6:16 pm**. Seconded by **Nathan Anderson** and the motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Wilson, Clerk