

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Board of Education
Farmington Municipal Schools District Number Five
Tuesday, April 14, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Krista McWilliams, President - Present by zoom
Andra Stradling, Vice President
DeaZhan Maize, Deputy Secretary
Alyssa Begay, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lisa Maxwell, Secretary

OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD:

Cody Diehl, Superintendent
Nate Pierantoni, Executive Director Human Resources
Isaac Gamboa, Executive Director Operations and Athletics
Bobbi Newland, Chief Financial Officer
Robert Emerson, Chief Technology Officer
Lauryn Gonzales, Media Specialist
Michelle Blades, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT:

Roberto Taboada, Public Information Officer

WORK SESSION – 3:45 PM

1. First Tee Four Corners - Presented by Tom Yost
2. Student Date and Budget Update

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 5:15 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 5:14pm by Vice President, Stradling.

WELCOME TO GUESTS

Deputy Secretary Mazie and Board Member Alyssa Begay shared some good things happening in the district.

- Congratulations to Ms. Rochelle Hastings, our Work Experience and Work-Based Learning Teacher at Farmington High, who was named the

Chick-fil-A Leader Academy Regional Teacher of the Year. FHS also received 10K from Chick-fil-A. Thank you, Chick-fil-A.

- Thank you to Burlington Stores and the national nonprofit Adopt-A-Classroom for their support of our schools. Earlier this month, they made a generous 5K donation to Animas Elementary School to help further the education of our Mustangs.
- Congratulations to Piedra Vista's Haleigh Doyle, a two-time State Champion and State Record holder, who is now also the 44kg USA Powerlifting High School National Champion! A huge shoutout to Coach Tyrell Curtis and the entire Piedra Vista team.
- Congratulations to Farmington High's Dylan Dalton, who won the "Best Sci-Fi / Fantasy" Award at the 2026 Film Prize Junior Festival! Nice work, Dylan!
- Finally, FMS is proud to announce that we have received more than \$1.1 million from the NextGen Expansion Grant, which will fully equip our brand-new Construction Trades Lab. This substantial investment will provide students with access to high-end machinery, trailers, and vehicles to support student travel and off-site learning experiences.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

Superintendent Diehl recommended the agenda be adopted as written.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to adopt the agenda as written. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND PATRONS

a. Recognition of Heights Symphonic Band by Music For All for their Advocacy initiative at Isoptopes baseball game - Presented by Cody Jackson

b. Recognition of the CARE Center FCCLA students for placement at Regionals and State Competition - Presented by Travis Torres

LIMITED PUBLIC FORUM

Lanford DeJolie spoke regarding his student's suspension at FHS in February 2026.

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 the Consent Agenda items 8a through 8u as presented.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to adopt the Consent Agenda items 8a through 8u as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE SJCHS STUDENTS TO REGENERON INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR IN PHOENIX, AZ ON MAY 9TH-15TH

Director McMinn shared that 2 SJCHS students will be attending the Regeneron Fair in Phoenix.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the SJCHS students to Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair in Phoenix, AZ on May 9th-15th as presented.

It was moved by Andra Stradling, seconded by Krista McWilliams to approve the SJCHS students to Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair in Phoenix, AZ on May 9th-15th as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL TO THE FCCLA NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON DC ON JULY 5-10, 2026 FOR THE NEWLY ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS, ABRAHAM (AJ) HESS

Ms. Beckner shared that Abraham (AJ) Hess is the first student to represent the Farmington chapter at the National level.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the FCCLA National Leadership Conference in Washington DC on July 5-10, 2026 for the newly elected Vice President of Programs, Abraham (AJ) Hess as presented.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to approve the FCCLA National Leadership Conference in Washington DC on July 5-10, 2026 for the newly elected Vice President of Programs, Abraham (AJ) Hess as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE 2026-2027 IDEA APPLICATION

President McWilliams motioned to table this item and move to the May Board meeting.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams, seconded by Alyssa Begay to table the 2026-2027 IDEA Application and move to the May Board meeting. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE NEXTGEN EXPANSION GRANT

Director McMinn shared the grant was awarded for the construction of trade labs at our CTE Center. Funds will be used for new high quality equipment for the labs being constructed.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve the NextGen Expansion Grants as presented.

It was moved by DeaZhan Maize, seconded by Andra Stradling to approve the NextGen Expansion Grant as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027 BILINGUAL MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve the School Year 2026-2027 Bilingual Multicultural Education Program as presented.

It was moved by DeaZhan Maize, seconded by Andra Stradling to approve the School Year 2026-2027 Bilingual Multicultural Education Program. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE NOTICE OF SALE OF 2026 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve the Notice of Sale of the 2026 General Obligation Bonds and Delegation of Authority as presented.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to approve the Notice of Sale of the 2026 General Obligation Bonds and Delegation of Authority as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa

Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE LEASE FOR THE STUDENT IPADS WITH APPLE

Director Emerson shared with the Board, this is the 1st time Farmington Municipal Schools has done a lease contract. This is a 4 year lease on 10,000 devices with a \$1 buy out if we choose not to renew the lease and we keep the Ipads or sell back at market price with a new signed lease.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve the Lease for the Student Ipads with Apple as presented.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by Kirsta McWilliams to approve the Lease for the Student Ipads with Apple as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. The Board of Education will adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss with the School District's attorney the review of pending or threatened litigation with a vendor and to strategize for pursuing litigation under the Attorney-Client Privilege in anticipation of litigation. The Board of Education will discuss pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act the options for potential litigation under the Attorney-Client Privilege. In addition, the Board of Education will remain in executive session for the purpose of Discussion of the disposal of real property belonging to the School District and discussion of pricing for sale and exchange of other consideration and provide direction to Superintendent for same pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) of the Open Meetings Act. No action will be taken and only the items listed will be discussed.

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to go to Closed Session at 6:08pm. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RECONVENE

It was moved by DeaZhan Begay, seconded by Krista McWilliams to Reconvene at 6:38pm. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay,

Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board has reconvened in open session at 6:30pm. Let the record reflect that while in closed session, the Board limited its discussion to potential litigation under the Attorney-Client Privilege. In addition, to discuss the disposal of real property belonging to the School District and discussion of pricing for sale and exchange of other considerations and provide direction to the Superintendent.

ACTION

a. Consideration of pursuing litigation against vendor, AK Sales and Consulting, pertaining to a contract held with School District and granting of authority to pursue same supervised by the Superintendent

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board pursue litigation against vendor, AK Sales and Consulting, pertaining to a contract held with School District and granting of authority to pursue same supervised by the superintendent

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by Deazhan Maize to pursue litigation against vendor AK Sales and consulting, pertaining to a contract held with School District and granting of authority to pursue the same supervised by the superintendent. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

b. Discuss and provide delegation to the Superintendent the authority to negotiate sale of real property along the direction and authority provided by the Board and to submit the final of any proposed sale to the Board for approval.

Superintendent Diehl recommended that the Board provide delegation to the Superintendent the authority to negotiate sale of real property along the direction and authority provided by the Board and to submit the final of any proposed sale to the Board for approval.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams, seconded by Andra Stradling to provide delegation to the Superintendent the authority to negotiate sale of real property along the direction and authority provided by the Board and to submit the final of any proposed sale to the Board for approval. . The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, and Andra Stradling. Nays: Alyssa Begay and DeaZhan Maize. Motion was tabled.

ADVANCED PLANNING

a. May 12, 2026 - Regular Work Session and Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by DeaZhan Maize to adjourn. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Andra Stradling and DeaZhan Maize. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:38pm.

Attest DeaZhan Maize
DeaZhan Maize, Deputy Secretary

Signed Andra Stradling
Andra Stradling, Vice President

Approved: May 12, 2026