

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**Board of Education**  
**Farmington Municipal Schools District Number Five**  
**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD:**

Cody Diehl, Superintendent  
Nathan Pierantoni, Executive Director of Support Services  
Isaac Gamboa, Executive Director of Operations and Athletics  
Bobbi Newland, Chief Financial Officer  
Nicole Lambson, Executive Director of Curriculum  
Robert Emerson, Chief Technology Officer  
Roberto Taboada, Public Information Officer  
Michelle Blades, Administrative Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Chris Pash, Executive Director of Human Resources  
Lauryn Gonzales, Media Specialist

**WORK SESSION – 3:45 PM**

1. Dissolution of The Foundation for Educational Excellence - presented by Dave Dailey
2. Strategic Plan Update
3. Student Data Update

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 5:15 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**WELCOME TO GUESTS**

Board Member Andra Stradling shared some good things happening in the district.

**We're thrilled to share some big news: The PSCOC has approved full funding for a brand-new Preschool Academy! A beautiful facility will bring both of our preschools together under one roof and is expected to be ready by November 2026. Visit our website to check out the designs and learn more about this exciting project!**

**A huge thank-you to FMS Student Nutrition and K12 by Elior for stepping up during the Christmas Break! They provided 5-day breakfast and lunch kits, and the district delivered an amazing 1,000 meal kits to support our families.**

**We're so proud of the Farmington High School Social Studies Department! Through their hard work, they raised \$5,500 for Childhaven. This annual fundraiser helps provide vital programs for children in need, including emergency shelter and treatment. Thank you for your dedication to supporting our community!**

**We have exciting news for our elementary students! Farmington Municipal Schools, in partnership with the Ripken Foundation, Flogistics, and New Mexico State University, is bringing STEM Labs to all 10 of our elementary schools. These labs will include hands-on activities like coding, circuitry, and design projects to inspire curiosity and creativity. Stay tuned for more updates as we roll out this incredible program!**

#### **Election of President, Vice President, Secretary, Deputy Secretary**

Board Member Krista McWilliams made a motion to elect Keith Corley as the President and Krista McWilliams as the Vice President.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Keith Corley as the President.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve Keith Corley as President. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Board Member Krista McWilliams made a motion to elect Krista McWilliams as the Vice President.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Krista McWilliams as the Vice President.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams seconded by Keith Corley to approve Keith Corley as President. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: Andra Stradling. Motion carried.

Vice President Keith Corley made a motion to re-elect Andra Stradling as the Board Secretary.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Andra Stradling as the Board Secretary.

It was moved by Keith Corley seconded by Krista McWilliams to approve Andra Stradling as Board Secretary. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Deputy Secretary Lisa Maxwell made a motion to continue as the Board Deputy Secretary.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Lisa Maxwell as the Board Deputy Secretary.

It was moved by Andra Stradling seconded by Krista McWilliams to approve Lisa Maxwell as Deputy Board Secretary. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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

Board Secretary Andra Stradling made a motion to approve Lisa Maxwell and Krista McWilliams for the Finance Committee.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Lisa Maxwell and Krista McWilliams for the Finance Committee.

It was moved by Keith Corley seconded by Krista McWilliams to approve Lisa Maxwell and Krista McWilliams for the Finance Committee. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Board Secretary Andra Stradling made a motion to approve Lisa Maxwell and Andra Stradling for the Audit Committee.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board Approve Lisa Maxwell and Andra Stradling for the Audit Committee.

It was moved by Andra Stradling seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve Lisa Maxwell and Andra Stradling for the Audit Committee. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompsons. Nays: Lisa Maxwell. Motion carried.

#### **CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA**

Superintendent Diehl recommended the agenda be adopted as written.

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

#### **RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND PATRONS**

George Sharpe with Merrion Oil & Gas recognized the students that went through the 2024 Petroleum Engineering Mentorship Class.

#### **LIMITED PUBLIC FORUM**

No Public Cards were presented.

#### **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 9a through 9f as presented.

It was moved by Lisa Maxwell seconded by Stephanie Thompson to approve Items 9a through 9f on the consent agenda. The motion carried with the following vote - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **a. READING/EDIT STEP - Changes to Policy B-1400 School Board Meetings - Presented by Superintendent Diehl**

#### **b. READING/EDIT STEP - Changes to Policy I-7450 Graduation Exercises - Presented - by Superintendent Diehl**

**c. READING/EDIT STEP - New Policy J-3150 Student Possession and use of personal electronic devices - Presented by Superintendent Diehl**

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE- Changes to Policy J-3400 - Student Interviews/Interrogations, Searches and Arrests**

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board approve the Changes to Policy J-3400 - Student Interviews/Interrogations, Searches and Arrests as presented.

It was moved by Lisa Maxwell seconded by Andra Stradling to approve Changes to Policy J-3400 - Student Interviews/Interrogations, Searches and Arrests as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**EDIT/APPROVAL STEP - CHANGES TO POLICY J-1050 OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Superintendent Diehl recommended bringing at a later date as a reading step.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board not approve the Changes to Policy J-1050 as presented.

It was moved by, seconded by to not approve Changes to Policy J-1050 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Consideration to Approve the Online Auction of Vehicles**

Executive Director of Operations and Athletics Isaac Gamboa requested the sale of a 2004 Chevrolet Van and 2 - 2015 Special Ed buses. Motion was made by Krista McWilliams that the Finance Committee approved the sale.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board the Online Auction of Vehicles as presented.

It was moved by Krista McWilliams seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve the Online Auction of Vehicles as presented. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, Keith Corley, Andra Stradling and Stephanie Thompson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**f. CLOSED SESSION - Farmington Schools Board of Education will adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1 H (2) to discuss limited personnel matters, specifically to discuss the annual evaluation of the Superintendent.**

It was moved by Krista McWilliams seconded by Lisa Maxwell to go to Closed Session at 6:15pm. The motion carried with the following vote – Ayes: Krista



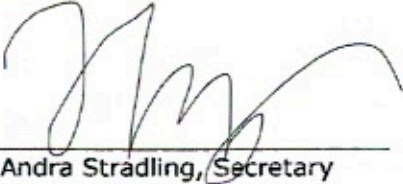
**ADVANCED PLANNING**

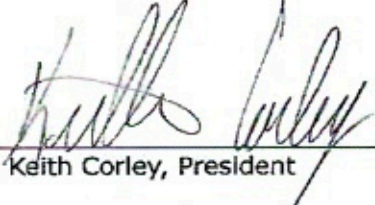
- a. January 20, 2025 - Holiday - All offices closed
- b. February 12, 2025 - Work Session and Board Meeting
- c. February 17, 2025 - Holiday - All offices closed

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Lisa Maxwell seconded by Krista McWilliams to adjourn. The motion carried with the following vote - Ayes: Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, 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 7:01pm.

Attest   
Andra Stradling, Secretary

Signed   
Keith Corley, President

Approved: February 11, 2025

