

**UNAPPROVED Minutes of Regular Board Meeting**  
**The Board of Education**  
**Foley ISD 51**  
**Date: 05/18/2026**

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, **05/18/2026**, 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**

**ROUTINE BUSINESS**

Motion by **Patric Lewandowski** to approve the adoption of the amended agenda, adding the Table top items of hires and a resignation, seconded by **Nathan Anderson** and the motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Approval of routine business items: Motion by **Patric Lewandowski** to approve the meeting minutes from **4/20/2026**, board bills and the consent agenda items. Seconded by **Wayne Wilson** and the motion carries unanimously. 7-0

Consent Agenda

1. Retirements-Resignations-*\*indicates Tabletop items*
  - a. FIS EA- Deanna Daniel, resigns from her position as of 5/6/2026.
  - b. FHS Science Teacher — Dan Marod, resigns from his position as of 6/30/2026.
  - c. Jr. High Volleyball Coach — Maria Ziemke, resigns from her position as of 4/16/2026.
  - d. Head Swim Coach — Emma Foss resigns from her position as of 5/7/2026.
  - e. Head Girls Track Coach — Becky Rasmusson resigns from her coaching position at the end of the 2026 season.
  - f. Assistant Dance Coach, Marisa Spiczka resigns from her position as of 5/11/2026.
  - g. FHS Social Teacher — Andrea Pelowski is resigning effective 6/30/2026.
  - h. FES Summer School Teacher — Leah Oik is resigning from her summer school position as of 5/13/2026.
  - i. FIS EA- Amber Nelson resigns from her position as of 5/29/2026.
  - \*j. Food Service- Sarah Knapp resigns from her position as of May 15, 2026.
2. Leave Request

a. FES Teacher — Leah Olk is requesting a one-year Leave of Absence for the 2026-2027 school year.

3. Contracts/Adjustments/Position Change

*\*indicates Tabletop items*

<b>Contracts- New or changed</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Pay Level/ Amn't</b>
Summer School teacher FHS	Noah Ellefson	up to 40.5 hours	\$29.00 per hour
Summer School FHS EA	Jason Wheece	up to 31.5 hours	Step 2= \$19.58 per hr
Summer School FHS EA	Angela Kuschel	up to 31.5 hours	Step 5= \$21.17 plus long= \$22.07 per hr
Summer School FHS EA	Krista Tangen	up to 31.5 hours	Step 5= \$21.17 plus long= \$22.07 per hr
Summer School FHS EA	Michelle Hartmann	up to 31.5 hours	Step 5= \$21.17
FIS SPED Teacher	Elizabeth DeMars	2026-2027 school year	BA Step 2= \$54,126.00
ESY Summer School Teacher District	Sarah Sauer	up to 45 hours	\$29.00 per hour
*FES SPED Teacher	Caitlin Hjort	2026-2027 school year	MA Step 4= \$59,928.00
*1.33 FTE FHS Ag. Teacher	Alexandra Wuebkers	2026-2027 school year	BA Step 4= \$74,112.92
*FES ESY Summer EA	Jeri Johnson	2026 Summer School	Step 5 plus longevity= \$22.27 per hour
<b>Off-Staff Extra Curricular</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Pay Level/ Amn't</b>
Drumline instructor	Dylan Ray		\$1,400.00

<b>Summer Custodial Help</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Pay Level/Amn't</b>
School Keeper	Jordyn Rudolph	up to 40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Ellis Hempeck	20 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour

School Keeper	Addison Rudolph	20 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Noah Brunn	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Stacey Dahler	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Dane Wheeler	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Gabriel Gross	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Isaiah Vizenor	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Brayden Domico	20 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Gavin Moeller	24 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Samantha Schefers	24 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Nolan Murphy	40 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Ella Tangen	30 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour
School Keeper	Ava Krajsa	30 hours per week	\$14.94 per hour

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

5. Board Bills

6. Resolution for Accepting Gifts (Action) **RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTING GIFTS (Action)** A motion by **Sharon Kipka** to accept the resolution for accepting gifts, seconded by **Alyssa Schumacher**. The motion was unanimously approved by Vote, 7-0.

7. The following probationary Special Education Student Support EA's will not be returning due to the lack of student need for EA support in the fall of the 2026-2027 school year.(Discussion/Action)

Motion by **Patric Lewandowski** to approve probationary Special Education Student Support EA's will not be returning due to the lack of student need for EA support in the fall of the 2026-2027 school year, seconded by **Nathan Anderson**. The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

Kaitlin Hudalla  
 Jenna Scapanski  
 Erika Cowley  
 Alex Sumbs

Shayna Harnack  
 Jason Wheece  
 Kelsey Ness  
 Madison Brausen

Kristina Buhs  
Hannah Stang

Sarah Studenski  
Danielle Murphy

Activities Director for the 2026–2027 school year — Matthew Bueckers will start 7/1/2026. (Discussion/Action) Motion by **Pamela Vizenor** to approve Activities Director for the 2026–2027 school year — Matthew Bueckers, seconded by **Nathan Anderson**. The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

FUE Teacher Contract 2025-2027 (Discussion/Action) Motion by **Patric Lewandowski** to approve FUE Teacher Contract 2025-2027, seconded by **Sharon Kipka**. The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

Depository account for CommunityGiving — Scholarship for a family-initiated scholarship fund, which will be managed by CommunityGiving to ensure professional investment and fiduciary oversight. This partnership allows for structured scholarship administration or an "Acorn Fund" approach to supporting student goals while offering a 501(c)(3) structure for donations. (Discussion/Action) Motion by **Nathan Anderson** to approve Depository account for CommunityGiving, seconded by **Stephanie Rudnitski**. The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

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

- a. Policy 305 POLICY IMPLEMENTATION
- b. Policy 404 EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS
- c. Policy 506 STUDENT DISCIPLINE
- d. Policy 515 PROTECTION AND PRIVACY OF PUPIL RECORDS
- e. Policy 610 FIELD TRIPS
- f. Policy 707 TRANSPORTATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS
- g. Policy 709 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SAFETY POLICY

Policies requiring review: (Discussion/Action) Third and final reading and call for public comment of the following policies: Motion by **Patric Lewandowski** to approve Policies 410, 625, 701, 712, 530, 615, and 515, seconded by **Nathan Anderson**. The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

- a. POLICY 410 FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE POLICY
- b. POLICY 625- RESPONSIBLE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
- c. POLICY 701- ESTABLISHMENT AND ADOPTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
- d. POLICY 712- VIDEO RECORDING OTHER THAN ON BUSES
- e. POLICY 530- IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS
- f. POLICY 615- TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND EXEMPTIONS FOR IEPS, SECTION 504 PLANS, AND LEP STUDENTS
- g. POLICY 515- PROTECTION AND PRIVACY OF PUPIL RECORDS

Budget-Enrollment Report

## 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
- Buildings & Grounds
- Finance
- Health & Safety
- Insurance
- MSBA
- MSHSL
- Policy
- Tenure and Contracts/Negotiations

## OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD

Katy DeMarias, parent: read a personal statement about District Policies and the importance of our students.

Blake DeMarias, parent: Spoke to the Board of Education about the concerns he has with the District policies.

Becky Rasmusson, staff member: Spoke about the concerns of cutting FHS teachers- specifically Language Arts Teacher.

### Meeting Event and Notices

Note: This list does not include scheduled events.

- Please visit [www.foley.k12.mn.us](http://www.foley.k12.mn.us) for a full calendar or visit the district office.
  - a. 5/28/2026- Last student day
  - b. 5/29/2026- Last Teacher day
  - c. 5/30/2026- FHS Graduation in the FHS Gym starting at 7:30 PM, followed by the

Senior

Lock In.

- d. 6/22/2026- Next Regular School Board meeting, held in the FIS Media Center starting at 5:30 PM.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Sharon Kipka** to adjourn the meeting at **6:32** pm. Seconded by **Alyssa Schumacher** and the motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Wilson, Clerk