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

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Krista McWilliams, President
Andra Stradling, Vice President
Lisa Maxwell, Secretary
Alyssa Begay, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:
DeaZhan Maize, Deputy Secretary

OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD:
Cody Diehl, Superintendent
Nate Pierantoni, Executive Director Human Resources
Isaac Gamboa, Executive Director Operations and Athletics
Nicole Lambson, Executive Director of Curriculum
Bobbi Newland, Chief Financial Officer
Robert Emerson, Chief Technology Officer
Roberto Taboada, Public Information Officer
Michelle Blades, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT:
Lauryn Gonzales, Media Specialist

WORK SESSION – 3:45 PM

1.
- 24/25 Audit Presentation
- Benchmark & MSSA Updates
  - o Elementary
  - o Secondary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 5:15 PM

CALL TO ORDER
Called to order at 5:15pm by President McWilliams.

WELCOME TO GUESTS

Board Member Begay shared some good things happening in the district.

- We celebrate another successful FMS Transportation Academy. Last week, FMS hosted 26 school districts and welcomed more than 350 school bus drivers and mechanics to this important training event, designed to help ensure our students travel safely to and from school every day.

- In just 29 days, our new Farmington Preschool Academy will open its doors, bringing together Preschool Academy East and West into one beautiful new home for our youngest learners. We want to thank the PSCOC and the PSAF for granting the district a waiver for all construction costs.
- The community is invited to the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Farmington Preschool Academy on Monday, August 3, 2026, at 5840 Fortuna Drive, starting at 11:30 a.m. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with you.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

Superintendent Diehl recommended the agenda be adopted with the exception of Item: Item 8a, IBT 2026-01, was changed from an action item to an information only item, and Item 8k, Possible Action to Join Social Media Litigation, was moved to the beginning of Item 8, Board of Education.

> It was moved by Andra Stradling, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to adopt the agenda with the recommended changes.The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, and Andra Stradling. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND PATRONS

a. Recognition of 2026 NMSBA Excellence in Student Achievement Award Recipient: Milo McMinn

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 7a through 7h as presented.

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

CONSIDERATION TO JOIN SOCIAL MEDIA LITIGATION

District Attorney Jack Fortner shared the litigation will educate parents on really what's going on with social media and then it will be part of our education.

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board to approve FMS to Join Social Media Litigation.

> It was moved by Andra Stradling, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to approve FMS to Join Social Media Litigation. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, and Andra Stradling. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ITB 2026-01 -
Information presented by Isaac Gamboa

READING STEP: Policy G1350 - Employee Assistance

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

READING STEP: Policy G-4150 Teacher Residency Program

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

READING STEP: Policy J-3150 Use of Cell Phones and Electronic Devices in School

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

READING STEP: Policy J-3150/3190 (Combine) Use of Cell Phones and Electronic Devices in Schools

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

READING STEP: Polcy J-5440 Cardiac Emergency Response Plan - AED

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

READING STEP: Policy J-6250 Reporting Child Abuse/Child Protection

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

READING STEP: Policy K-1000 Public's Right to Know/Freedom of Information

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

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE NM STATE SCHOOL BOARD PETITION

Superintendent Diehl recommended the Board sign the NM State School Board Petition as presented.

> It was moved by Alyssa Begay, seconded by Lisa Maxwell to sign the NM State School Board Petition as presented. The motion carried with the following - Ayes: Alyssa Begay, Krista McWilliams, Lisa Maxwell, and Andra Stradling. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ADVANCED PLANNING

a. July 16-18, 2026 NMSBA Leadership Retreat, Taos, NM
August 3, 2026 - All Teachers Report
August 10, 2026 - 1st Day for all grades
August 11, 2026 - Regular Work Session and Board Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

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

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:23pm.

Attest Lisa Maxwell
Lisa Maxwell, Secretary

Signed Krista McWilliams
Krista McWilliams, President

Approved: August 11, 2026