

**MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
November 24, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Fairmont Area Schools Board of Education was held on Tuesday, November 24 via Zoom due to COVID restrictions. Members in attendance were Rufus Rodriguez, Nicole Green, Dan Brookens, Mari Myren, and Mike Edman. Absent: Julie Laue. Student board members in attendance were Weston Loughmiller, Morgan Hoong, and Briana Joseph.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mike Edman and carried to unanimously approve the November 10, 2020 school board meeting minutes.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Nicole Green and carried to unanimously approve the November 24, 2020 school board meeting agenda.

Roni Dauer, CER Director, reported on current CER programming and was proud to remind board members that Fairmont CER has been providing recreational and educational opportunities for children and adults of all ages for 49 years! She indicated that many of the programs CER offers are made available through partnerships with local organizations. COVID has made programming far more difficult, but several classes have been offered virtually and with good success. Ms. Dauer thanked those program facilitators for their innovative efforts. Special thanks was given to members of the CER Advisory Council, including board member Mari Myren and student board members Briana Joseph and Morgan Hoong. Ms. Dauer also commended CER's facility scheduler, Kris Seifert for her fine work in so many areas, especially in maintaining the community calendar and publishing the CER newsletter. In closing, Ms. Dauer thanked the Board for their many years of support for CER and for providing her the opportunity to serve as the CER Director for the past 15 years and to be a member of the CER team for the past 46 years. Board members thanked Ms. Dauer for her the many contributions she's made to ensure the success of the CER in Fairmont.

A motion was offered by Dan Brookens, seconded by Mike Edman, and adopted on a unanimous roll call vote to accept a donation from Joan Engquist, including 2,400 sheets of music and 2 heavy duty filing cabinets, a total value of \$5,000.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve wire transfers for 11/6/20 – 11/19/20, an 11/5/20 single check, the November 24, 2020 bills, and the October, 2020 budget model.

A resolution was offered by Dan Brookens, seconded by Mari Myren and adopted on a unanimous roll call vote to authorize the necessity of issuing general obligation bonds and call for a special election.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve allocation of the PIE / Hunt grant dollars for the 2020-21 school year.

A motion was offered by Mike Edman, seconded by Nicole Green, and carried to unanimously approve canceling the December 22, 2020 school board meeting.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Mike Edman and carried to unanimously approve employment of the following:

1. Yarilza Alvarado, Outreach Support, \$20/hour
2. Fine Arts Coaches for 20-21

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously accept the resignation of Haylie Hohensee, special ed paraprofessional effective 11/23/20.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve an employee medical leave beginning on February 15, 2021 and extending through February 26, 2021 or per doctor recommendation.

Board members reported on the following: Staff Welfare Committee Meeting of 11/11 and CER Advisory Council Meeting of 11/12.

A motion was offered by Mike Edman, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to approve adjourning the school board meeting at 5:54 p.m.

Dan Brookens, Clerk