

## **MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

### **May 23, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Fairmont Area Schools Board of Education was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wm. Budd Room at Fairmont Elementary School. Members in attendance were Mike Edman, Mari Myren, Julie Laue, and Jen Harris. Absent: Nicole Green and Dan Brookens.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Julie Laue and carried to unanimously approve the May 9, 2023 school board meeting minutes.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Jen Harris and carried to unanimously approve the May 23, 2023 school board meeting agenda.

Superintendent's Report: See attached.

Director of finance and business management, Jessica Korte, reviewed the financial reports.

A motion was offered by Julie Laue, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve wire transfers for 5/4/23 - 5/17/23 and payment of the May 23, 2023 bills.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Jen Harris and carried to unanimously approve a memorandum of understanding between Fairmont Area Schools and the Fairmont Principals' Association whereby an associate principal salary schedule will be added to the principals' master agreement.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Julie Laue and carried to unanimously accept the follow resignations:

1. Hannah Olson, high school science teacher, effective June 12, 2023
2. Jennifer Streit, elementary aide, effective June 6, 2023
3. Greg Maday, high school science teacher, effective June 12, 2023

A motion as offered by Julie Laue, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve changing the effective resignation date for Natanael Moreno from 6/16/23 to 7/31/23.

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

1. Brooke Schultz, associate high school principal  
Effective: 7/1/23                      Salary: Per principal's contract
2. Sara Rothmeier, elementary education teacher  
Effective: 8/28/23                      Salary: MA18, Step 12

3. Erin Elder, high school dean of students  
Effective: 8/28/23                      Salary: BA36, Step 17
4. Ryan Majeske, elementary head custodian  
Effective: 6/1/23                      Salary: Step 6 - head custodian salary schedule

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Julie Laue and carried to unanimously approve adjourning the school board meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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Mari Myren, Clerk

# **Fairmont Area Schools ISD 2752**

## **School Board Meeting Superintendent's Report**

**May 23, 2023**

### **1. Registration/Enrollment Report**

- a. **PRELIMINARY** Number of Enrolled Students for 2022-2023 (\*as of 5/22/23)
  - i. FJSHS: 865 (-2) (5/24/22: 832 Students)
  - ii. FES: 865 (-1) (5/24/22: 862 Students)
  - iii. **TOTAL ENROLLMENT: 1,730 (-3) (5/24/22: 1,694 Students)**
  - iv. **22-23 Enrollment Range: Low = 1,714; High = 1,736 (Range = 22)**
  - v. **Kindergarten Round Up Preliminary Registration: 95**

### **2. Buildings & Grounds Updates**

- a. *No New Updates*

### **3. Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III Funds**

- a. *No New Updates*
- b. Our school district's deadline for obligating these funds is September 20, 2024 and all funds need to be expended by November 30, 2024. A recent publication by the Association of School Business Officials cited the importance of acknowledging this timeframe and implications of these funds going away. As a school district, we have been mindful of aligning our expenditures with the state aligned priority areas and have focused on investing in as many projects as possible that will sustain themselves beyond the expiration of these funds. With that being stated, we still have an expectation to continue to balance our budget with and without these added one time funds. Our goal is to build and create a sustainable model that best serves our students, staff, and community, and that premise will guide our decision making moving forward.
- c. It is important to note that we are focused on, and mindful of, being fiscally responsible as a school district in order to maintain and enhance the opportunities our students experience at Fairmont Area Schools. Knowing our ESSER III federal funds will expire in just over a year, we have begun making adjustments to limit allocating those funds to ongoing expenses. It is important for us to be strategic in our decisions to put us in a place for successfully supporting the growth of our students, staff, and community for years to come.

### **4. 2023-2024 School Calendar**

- a. **REMINDER: 2022-2023 School Calendar Update**
  - i. As previously communicated, June 5th and 6th will now be scheduled school days for students. Given the provisions for these added days, and the fact we are still within the required number of hours in the student school year, the final school day will be a half day for students. Detailed communication was shared with families a few weeks ago.
    - 1. Elementary 12:00 p.m.
    - 2. JR/SR High 12:15 p.m.

### **5. Cardinal Community Days**

- a. Review of the Jr.-Sr. High School Cardinals Give Back Day.

### **6. Upcoming Reports & School Events**

- a. School Activities Review & Scheduling Update
- b. **Next School Board Meeting(s)**
  - i. **June 13, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m. - City Council Chambers**