

MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING May 11, 2021

A regular meeting of the Fairmont Area Schools Board of Education was held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall. Members in attendance were Rufus Rodriguez, Nicole Green, Mari Myren, Julie Laue, Dan Brookens, and Mike Edman. Student board members in attendance were Morgan Hoong and Briana Joseph.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Nicole Green and carried to unanimously approve the April 27, 2021 school board meeting minutes.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Julie Laue, and carried to unanimously approve the May 11, 2021 school board meeting agenda.

The Board recognized Denise Hennis as a 25-year employee. They also recognized eight retirees. Present were Bill Wachholz, Roni Dauer, Joice Forster, Heidi Luhmann, Rochelle Franzen, Nancy Backer, and Kevin Kristenson. Michelle Grotte was unable to attend. Each honoree was given a commemorative plaque made by the high school Construction Trades class and a box of delicious, sweet treats, compliments of the Culinary Arts class.

Speech coaches Kathleen and Erik Walker, accompanied by several student team members, shared with the Board the many successes the team enjoyed this year throughout the season and at the state and national levels. Students were given a chance to comment on their personal experiences and to share what they most enjoy about the speech program.

Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Brown shared that last night's session of interviewing 2 candidates for the position of high school co-principal went very well. Both candidates did an excellent job. Mr. Brown thanked board and staff members who had offered to serve on the interview committee.

A resolution was offered by Dan Brookens, seconded by Mike Edman, and adopted on a unanimous roll call vote to accept a donation of books, valued at \$500, from Rochelle Franzen.

A motion was offered by Julie Laue, seconded by Nicole Green and carried to unanimously approve wire/transfer for 4/23/21 – 5/5/21 and payment of the May 11, 2021 bills.

A motion was offered by Mike Edman, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve May 27, 2021 as the last day of school for senior students who have assignments completed, fines paid, detention time made up, and are on track to graduate.

A motion was offered by Mari Myren, seconded by Nicole Green and carried to unanimously approve the 2021 summer school board meeting schedule.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Mari Myren and carried to unanimously approve the employment of Amanda Weihe as a math teacher, effective 6/30/21 and at a salary of MA, Step 8.

A motion was offered by Nicole Green, seconded by Julie Laue and carried to unanimously approve the employment of Chad Brusky as a high school co-principal, effective July 1, 2021 at a salary per the principal's contract.

A motion was offered by Mike Edman, seconded by Dan Brookens, and carried to approve adjourning the school board meeting at 5:58 p.m.

Mari Myren, Clerk