Jun 12, 2025 Fiddlehead Board meeting minutes

Approved 8/21/25 by Fiddlehead Board

1. Meeting was called to order at 12:02 PM via Zoom
2. Quorum was established.
3. The mission was read by Susan Doughty in honor of her last meeting.
4. There was no public comment
5. Becky moved and Jamie seconded to approve the minutes from the May meeting. Motion carried 5 to 0.
6. Financial update:
   1. [Statement of financial position and activity expected from Flaherty Financial](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=300.0)
   2. [Some funds likely remaining at end of school year, exact amount TBD](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=343.0)
   3. [Teacher summer salaries still to be factored in](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=360.0)
   4. [QuickBooks now in much better shape](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=434.0)
   5. [Susan P. (former 8th grade TA) onboarding as new bookkeeper](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=471.0)
7. The Board considered new members:
   1. Joanne D’Arcangelo
   2. Bruce Woodard
   3. Kaiti Lewis
   4. Jamie moved and Roger seconded to approve the proposed Board members. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Susan Doughty was honored for her 4 years of dedicated service to the Board, especially with the highly successful Wellness Committee
9. Executive Director report:
   1. [Staff gathering at Caswell Farms was a great success](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=1306.0)
   2. [8th grade graduation highlighted student diversity and Fiddlehead culture](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=2263.0)
   3. [8th grade class showed strong academic performance on NWA tests](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=2202.0)
   4. [Successful overnight trip to Bryant Pond 4-H camp for 8th graders](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=1961.0)
   5. [SRSA (Small Rural Schools Act) grant application submitted](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=1509.0)
   6. [Title I funds secured for next year](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=1517.0)
   7. [Awaiting confirmation on Title II and Title IV funding](https://fathom.video/share/UtMPZyxQVhGhQ4F7bpXb6H-TZADqPkQd?tab=summary&timestamp=1522.0)
10. Principal’s report
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    5. Excellent staff retention rate this year
    6. Wellness retreat is on the calendar for next year
11. Executive Session to discuss hiring
    1. Susan moved and Becky seconded to enter executive session. Motion carried.
    2. The Board returned from executive session at 12:51
12. Hiring:
    1. Jamie moved and Becky seconded to approve the slate of hires as presented in executive session:
       1. **Special Education Coordinator** Candidate: Jessica Shaw
       2. **4th Lead Teacher** Candidate: Angela Bacon
       3. **Teacher Assistant – 3rd Grade** Candidate: Samiera MacMullen
       4. **Teacher Assistant – 1:1** Candidate: Amelia (Molly) Wilson Reich
    2. Motion carried 5 to 0
13. Summer hiring:
    1. The Board approved Jacinda and Jason offering employment to potential candidates over the summer with confirmation considered at the August Fiddlehead Board meeting.
14. The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 1:10 PM
15. Next meeting: Thursday Aug. 21,2025 at 6 pm at Fiddlehead and via Zoom.