Cochrane-Fountain City School District Regular School Board Meeting January 24, 2024

President Don Baloun called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the high school Board room. Board members present were Larry Cyrus, Allen Bollinger, Don Baloun, Darrin Dillinger, and Lynn Doelle. Michael Ayala arrived late. Niki Secrist was absent. Others present were Troy White, Karen Domine, Amanda Lacey, Tom Hiebert, Bob Lambert, and Cindy Lambert.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Mission Statement was read by Don Baloun.

Don Baloun attested to the publication of the meeting.

Approval of the agenda

Don Baloun said the closed session would be tabled. A discussion of policies 188 and 189 will be added to the future agenda. Darrin Dillinger made a motion to approve the agenda with adjustments. Allen Bollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Connection with the community

District celebrations and recognitions

Items mentioned were Emma Mann's basketball signing day, Randy Knecht surprising his daughter for parents' night, Mr. King presenting to the 4th grade about storm chasing, Lisa Arneson unveiling new clear library book bags, the FFA thanking the community for supporting the fruit sale, and the girls' basketball team on a 10-game winning streak.

Public Comments/Appearances
 Amanda Lacey introduced herself as a board candidate. She also talked about her work with Hope4U.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Board of Education minutes from the regular board meeting on December 20, 2023.
- Approval of Board of Education minutes from the special board meeting on January 15, 2024.
- Approval of December 21, 2023 January 24, 2024, vouchers.
 Allen Bollinger made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Darrin Dillinger seconded the motion.
 Motion carried.

Reports

• Facility assessment and design-build company presentation
There were no presentations at this meeting.

• WASB convention report

Don Baloun attended convention sessions on school improvement planning, the need for good teachers, compensation, and a deep dive into school finance. Larry Cyrus attended meetings as a WASB delegate and how to challenge students. Michael Ayala was the district delegate and attended sessions on Title IX and school finance. Troy White concentrated on referendum and finance meetings.

Discuss, Consider, and Take Action, if appropriate, regarding strategic initiatives

- Discuss and consider recommendation to approve administrator contract for Kelly Demers.
- Discuss and consider recommendation to approve administrator contract for Garek Barum.
- Discuss and consider recommendation to approve administrator contract for Troy White.
 Michael Ayala made a motion to approve the administrator contracts for Kelly Demers, Garek Barum, and Troy White. Allen Bollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discuss and consider recommendation to approve no space availability limits for regular education open enrollment seats in grades PK-12.
 - Michael Ayala made a motion to approve no space availability limits for regular education open enrollment seats in grades PK-12. Darrin Dillinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discuss and consider recommendation to approve no open enrollment seats available in the speech and language services or any other special education services at any grade level for the 2024-25 school year, based on the criteria outlined in Board Policy 423 and Rule 423.
 - Lynn Doelle made a motion to approve no open enrollment seats available in the speech and language services or any other special education services at any grade level for the 2024-25 school year. Michael Ayala seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **Discuss budget forecast and referendum research to determine next steps.**Mr. White explained the next steps for the budget forecast and referendum research.

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Future Agenda Items

- Academic Excellence (ELOs, Assessments, District Improvement Plan, etc.)
Policies 188 and 189

Review Timelines for Future Board Agendas and Meetings.

Monday February 5th, 2024 Committee of the Whole 6:00 p.m. Wednesday February 21st, 2024 Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

The closed meeting was tabled.

Move to Closed Session

• The Board will consider moving into Closed Session as per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1) (c) — Consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any School District employee over which the School Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The Board will discuss evaluations and contracts.

Reconvene into Open Session

Announcement of action on items from closed session.

Adjourn

Darrin Dillinger made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Michael Ayala seconded the motion. Motion carried.