Cochrane-Fountain City School District Special School Board Meeting July 24, 2018

President Don Baloun called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Board members present were Don Baloun, Larry Cyrus, Kalene Engel, Karen Knospe, Bonnie Breza, Dennis Oldendorf, and Rita Greshik. Others present were Thomas Hiebert, Steve Stoppelmoor, Luke Kjelland, Randy Knecht, David Brommerich, Dee Strom, Jill Hiebert, Wendy Hiebert, Mary Bohlinger, Becky Duellman, Wendy Baures, Lora Johansen, and Tracy Iberg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Don Baloun attested to the publication of the meeting.

Consideration of Adjustments to the Agenda:

Kalene Engel asked that #10 be moved up to #6B, then made a motion to approve the agenda. Dennis Oldendorf seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion of Community Input on Various Board Topics: The board discussed establishing a better means of communication between the Staff and Board. Correct information needs to be shared. It was decided the Administration will come back to the Board with a means for the Board to communicate better with the Staff.

Discussion and Review of Survey Results-Kalene Engel gave a summary of the three different surveys which were commissioned over the last 18 months to receive input of various issues facing the district. It was the consensus of the Board and Administration that a yearly follow up needs to happen possibly through the Communication Committee now that we have a base. Results of these surveys will be posted on the School Web site.

Discussion of 2017-18 unaudited budget and 2018-19 initial budget information-A discussion was held and Mr. Hiebert answered questions and will continue to work on the budget for the coming school year.

Discussion of Summer High School Phy. Ed and Fitness-Mr. Stoppelmoor explained the class is a pass/fail course offered in the summer and can count as a half credit for Phy. Ed. A student must have credits that exceed graduation requirements which all our students do since we require 4 years of Social Studies. The policy committee will work on a policy to state this.

Discussion of Co-Curricular Programs-The Administration was asked and agreed to review all co-curricular clubs and suggest a plan for equitable funding allocations. Ensuring adequate media exposure for all activities is important also.

Finance & Budget Committee Report-Rita Greshik reported that the finance committee met and discussed staff compensation plans, co-curricular budgets, late bus funding and Elementary field trip funding. Kalene Engel made a motion to ask administration to incorporate these 4 items into the next budget, seconded by Dennis Oldendorf. Motion carried.

Review Timelines and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings.

A. Wednesday, August 15, 2018 Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.
B. September 19, 2018 Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.

C. Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting

Monday, October 22, 2018 Budget Hearing 7:00 p.m.

Monday, October 22, 2018 Annual Meeting To Follow Budget Hearing

Adjourn: Kalene Engel made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m., seconded by Bonnie Breza. Motion carried.