Cochrane-Fountain City School District Regular School Board Meeting September 19, 2018

Board 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, and Dennis Oldendorf. Rita Greshik was absent. Others present were Thomas Hiebert, Steve Stoppelmoor, Luke Kjelland, Karen Domine, Donna Baertsch, Randy Knecht, Steve Lyga, Dave Brommerich, Wendy Hiebert, Jenny Slaby, Mary Bohlinger, Mary Anderson, Terrell Portman, and Jerry Portman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Don Baloun attested to the publication of the meeting.

Public Comments/Appearances:

Steve Lyga commented on Military Night.

Consideration of Adjustments to the Agenda:

Kalene Engel made a motion to approve the agenda. Bonnie Breza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve the Board of Education minutes from the Regular Meeting on August 15, 2018, and the Special Meetings on August 7, 2018 and August 20, 2018.
- B. Approve August 16-September 19, 2018 vouchers.

C. Approve Ziebells Hiawatha Foods, Inc. as the 2018-19 milk supplier.

Kalene Engel made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Dennis Oldendorf seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reports:

A. Principal Report

Security Operations and Procedures – Mr. Stoppelmoor told the Board that school was started with one student door open. Also, that employee badges and cameras will be coming soon.
 Staff Development – Mr. Stoppelmoor explained that the first in-service day on October 12 was busy with training. Mr. Stoppelmoor introduced Dr. Mary Anderson from Winona State University to explain the elementary reading program.

B. Superintendent Report

1. District Security Plan-Grant - Mr. Hiebert updated the Board on the money the school will be receiving from each round of the state security grant. He also explained the need for a district wide security plan.

2. Mental Health - Mr. Hiebert explained how the school needs to support students and staff on the mental health issue. A CESA staff member is developing a mental health handbook.
3. Personnel – Mr. Hiebert gave the Board an update on support staff. Kayla Lorenz, Amanda McKitty, and Sandy Plank were hired as paraprofessionals. Bekka Baures was hired as a junior high volleyball coach.

C. CESA #4 – Larry Cyrus gave a report from the last CESA meeting.

Old Business:

A. 2018-19 Financial Planning and Budget Information

Mr. Hiebert gave the Board handouts of budget considerations and potential numbers for the 2018-2019 school year.

B. Co-curricular Programs

Mr. Hiebert gave a philosophical view of the co-curricular program. Mr. Kjelland is going to continue to work on job descriptions for co-curricular staff members.

C. Superintendent Search Firm Selection and Administrative Restructuring

A survey will be linked to the school's web site for public input for the next superintendent.

D. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

1. POC

Larry Cyrus gave an update from the last POC meeting on the topics of elementary flooring, exterior doors, summer school, and bathrooms.

E. Standing Committee Process

1. Postings

The Board decided that the postings for committee meetings will be combined with the postings for full Board meetings on the web site.

2. Minutes

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3. Participation

The chairperson of the committee is expected to set up the purpose of the meeting and take notes to turn in to the district office.

F. Standing Committee Reports

1. Communications

This committee and the public met as a group the last week in August. Topics discussed were a POC update, administrative restructuring, and the public survey.

2. General Services

The general services committee met with transportation staff to discuss various topics.

3. Human Resources

No report.

4. Finance and Budget

No report.

5. Curriculum

No report.

6. Policy

No report.

New Business:

A. Legal Counsel Representation

Kalene Engel made a motion to transfer legal counsel to the Law Firm of Dietrich VanderWaal, LLC to continue with the Attorney Dean Dietrich. Karen Knospe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. Volunteer Opportunities

The Board discussed whether the district should have a process for adults who want to volunteer within the district.

Review Timeline and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings:

Α.	Wednesday, September 26, 2018	WASB Fall Regional N	leeting 6:00 p.m.
В.	Thursday, October 11, 2018	Special Meeting	6:30 p.m.
		Develop Superintend	ent Profile
C.	Wednesday, October 17, 2018	Regular Meeting	6:30 p.m.
D.	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:

The Board adjourned on a motion by Kalene Engel and seconded by Bonnie Breza at 9:37 p.m. Motion carried.