Cochrane-Fountain City School District
Board Meeting in Committee
July 6, 2026

Call to Order
Lisa Wolfe called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the high school board room #335. Board members present were Lisa Wolfe, Larry Cyrus, Nathan Brandt, Amanda Lacey, and Wendy Baures. Sarah Ayala and Kevin Kubis were absent. Also present was Troy White.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Mission statement was read by Lisa Wolfe.

Lisa Wolfe attested to the publication of the meeting pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.84.

Approval of the Agenda
Wendy Baures made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Nathan Brandt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Connection with the community

- **District celebrations and recognitions**
  Mr. White presented celebrations from the packet. Nathan Brandt added a thank you to the FFA for their help at the dairy breakfast. The board recognized the 4th of July parade in Buffalo City.

Reports and Discussion Items

- **Referendum update**
  Mr. White gave a referendum update including the auto and fitness center are framed in, the tech ed classroom has windows framed in, the cafeteria ceiling soffit is progressing, most elementary classrooms have lighting and cabinetry, and the septic and new parking lot are underway. The project is progressing as expected. There are ongoing conversations with Miron about building and classroom access.
- **Designation of fund 10 balance for cash flow purposes until the school board's adoption of a final budget.**
  Mr. White informed the Board that they will need to approve the use of Fund 10 balance for cash flow purposes until the school board adopts a final budget.
- **Designation of depositories for district funds: Waumandee State Bank, Alliance Bank, the Local Government Investment Pool, and Pershing Advisor Solutions, LLC (Ehlers).**
  Mr. White will recommend the Board designate Waumandee State Bank, Alliance Bank, the Local Government Investment Pool, and Pershing Advisor Solutions, LLC (Ehlers) for district funds.
- **Notice of student academic standards.**
  Mr. White informed the Board that they will need to approve the notice of student academic standards at the July 20th meeting.
- **2026 – 2027 fee schedule**
  Mr. White informed the Board that there will be no changes to the 2026 – 2027 fee schedule.
- **2026 – 2027 calendar changes**
  Mr. White will be recommending the attached 2026 – 2027 calendar changes for approval on July 20th. He explained these recommendations are due to the construction project.
- **Handbook update**
  - **Athletic Director**

  The athletic director's salary has been added to Appendix L.
- **New WASB leadership qualities**
  The Board discussed their recommendations for the new WASB leadership, citing leadership experience, plans to visit rural schools, and advocate for needs that benefit all students and school districts.
- **School Board member resignation**
  Amanda Lacey will be resigning from her position on the school board due to an unexpected opportunity for her family to move from our district. Mr. White explained that the vacancy will be posted for potential candidates.
- **Youth mental health training**
  The topic of youth mental health training was tabled until the July 20th meeting when Kelly Demers can attend.

- **Board retreat**
  - **Individual board member's purpose**
  - **Roles and responsibilities**
  - **Organizational chart – chain of command**
  - **Strategic plan**
  - **Board goals, norms, and collective agreements**
  - **Evaluation**
    - **Board self-evaluation – Policy 153**
    - **Superintendent evaluation instrument – Policy 225**
    - **Administrative evaluation instrument – Policy 225.1**
  - **District funds (10, 21, 27, 39, 46, 50, & 80)**

  The board retreat topics were tabled until a new board member is appointed.

Future Agenda Items

Review Timelines and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings.

Monday	**July 20th, 2026**	**Regular Meeting**	**6:00 p.m.**
Monday	**August 3rd, 2026**	**Committee of the Whole**	**6:00 p.m.**
Monday	**August 17th, 2026**	**Regular Meeting**	**6:00 p.m.**

Adjourn

Nathan Brandt made a motion to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Amanda Lacey seconded the motion. Motion carried.