

Cochrane-Fountain City School District
Regular School Board Meeting
May 20, 2020

President Karen Knospe called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Board members present were Karen Knospe, Kalene Engel, Lynn Doelle, Larry Cyrus, Bonnie Breza, and Rita Greshik. Areny Bork was absent. Others present were Michele Butler, Steve Stoppelmoor, Sue McKay, and Karen Domine. Others virtually present were Donna Baertsch, Tom Hiebert, Dave Brommerich, Mary Bohlinger, Carrie Venner, and David Williams.

President Knospe read the Mission Statement and The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Karen Knospe attested to the publication of the meeting.

Public Comments/Apearances:

None

Consideration of Adjustments to the Agenda:

Kalene Engel made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Rita Greshik. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve the Board of Education minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 15, 2020 and the Special Meetings on April 20, 2020 and May 5, 2020.**
- B. Approve the April 16, 2020 – May 20, 2020 vouchers.**
- C. Approve recommendation to hire Leslie Hoffman as the new Instrumental Music Teacher, and Sue McKay as the new Assistant Principal – Assessment Coordinator.**

Kalene Engel made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Lynn Doelle. Motion carried.

Recognitions:

Sue McKay was recognized as the new Assistant Principal-Assessment Coordinator.

Donna Baertsch was recognized for her work publishing the Spring newsletter.

Reports:

A. Principal Report

- 1. Scheduling & Distance Learning** – Mr. Williams told the Board about the number of students signed up for these classes next year. He also explained the difference between online and distance learning.
- 2. Summer School Update** – Mr. Stoppelmoor informed the Board that the school building was still closed until June 30, 2020. July 6th may be the first day of summer school.

B. Superintendent Report

1. COVID-19 Update

- a. Graduation** – Ms. Butler told the Board about the plan for graduation. Each student was given a time to pick up their diploma and have pictures taken.
- b. DPI Reporting** – Ms. Butler explained that DPI will be requesting information about expenditures and savings because of the school shut down. The teachers also have a form to complete for DPI reporting.
- c. Future Considerations** – Ms. Butler explained that much is unknown about how school will look in the fall. Classes could be virtual, blended or in person.

2. Budget Update – Ms. Butler showed the Board a document showing revenue limit projections for 2020-2021. She also gave them examples of budgetary options to close the revenue gap.

3. Personnel Report – Ms. Butler shared that Cindy Cyert is planning on retiring.

C. CESA Report

- 1. Appoint District Representative to attend Annual CESA Convention on August 5, 2020** – Larry Cyrus gave a report of what he learned at the last CESA meeting. Larry Cyrus was appointed district representative to attend the CESA Convention on August 4, 2020.

Old Business:

A. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

1. **POC** – Larry Cyrus gave the POC report. Projects need to be completed in July.

B. Standing Committee Reports

1. **Communications** – Bonnie Breza noted the newsletter and the survey that will be distributed to staff.

2. **Human Resources** – The minutes from the last committee meeting were included in the Board packet.

3. **Finance & Budget** – The minutes from the last committee meeting were included in the Board packet.

4. **Policy** – No meeting.

C. **Presentation of the 2020-21 school schedule** – Ms. Butler shared the start and end times for the daily schedule and the survey results that were used to determine the 3:00 early release schedule on Fridays.

New Business:

A. CESA contracts

Kalene Engel made a motion to approve the 20-21 CESA contracts as presented. Lynn Doelle seconded the motion, motion carried.

Future Business Items:

The Board requested a report on mental health from Dave Williams.

Review Timeline and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings:

A. Wednesday, May 27

Committee Meetings:

Human Resources Committee 4:00 p.m.

Policy Committee 5:30 p.m.

Finance & Budget Committee 7:00 p.m.

B. Wednesday, June 17

Regular Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Kalene Engel made a motion to move to closed session at 8:24. On a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Closed Session-Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute Section 19.85(1) (c) for the purpose of considering staffing over which the School Board exercises responsibility.

President Karen Knospe opened the closed session of the meeting at 8:30 pm to consider staffing over which the School Board exercises responsibility.

Kalene Engel made the motion to move out of closed session at 10:00 pm. Lynn Doelle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reconvene in open session to report closed session action

It was decided to post for a full-time district administrator on WECAN with the assistance of School Executive search firm.

Adjourn: The Board adjourned on a motion by Lynn Doelle, seconded by Kalene Engel at 10:05 p.m. Motion carried.