

Board of Education
Cochrane-Fountain City School District
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 6, 2021

President Karen Knospe called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members present Karen Knospe, Larry Cyrus, Lynn Doelle, Bonnie Breza, Kalene Engel, and Don Baloun. Rita Greshik was absent.
Others present: Dr. Jo-Ellen Fairbanks.

Don Baloun made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. Kalene Engel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The district wellness plan and evaluation were presented and explained. The report will be ready to present and accept at the regular board meeting in May.

The suggestion to extend our preschool program to include day care options was presented and explored. Community input will be needed before this can be studied much further.

ESSER funds available due to the pandemic were explained and ideas for how to best use these one-time funds were discussed. More research is needed to more clearly identify choices available to our district. More information will be provided at the regular May board meeting. An additional, special meeting may be needed to finalize decisions.

The annual board retreat will be held on May 25th at 5:00 at the Milton Town Hall at S2794 State Road 88. We will be working to evaluate and refine our understanding and accomplishment of our roles and responsibilities as school board members and to identify specific school board goals to be accomplished in the 2021-2022 school year.

We took a break from 8:20 to 8:25 pm.

The proposed compensation package was presented and explained. After much discussion and many questions, we asked to have this brought back to us at the regular May board meeting for possible action. As a board, we are grateful to finally have an identified, consistent compensation plan to present to current and future employees.

The committee of the whole meeting for June was changed from Thursday, June 3 to Thursday, June 10 at 6:00 pm.

Kalene Engel moved to adjourn. Lynn Doelle seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 pm.