Cochrane-Fountain City School District Regular School Board Meeting November 17, 2021

President Karen Knospe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. Board members present were Larry Cyrus, Karen Knospe, Lynn Doelle, Bonnie Breza, Don Baloun and Kalene Engel. Rita Greshik arrived at 6:30. Others present were Jo-Ellen Fairbanks, Karen Domine, Steve Stoppelmoor, Sue McKay, Theresa Henderson, Aaron Henderson, Renee Isakson, Michael Isakson, Amanda Isakson, Jacob Isakson, Bruce Abts, Jason Marquardt, Carrie Krause, Tom George, Seth Hentges, and Lance Litchfield.

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

Karen Knospe attested to the publication of the meeting.

Public Comments/Appearances

Because of the long list of people wanting to speak, Larry Cyrus made a motion to extend the time to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour for public comments. Don Baloun seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Renee Isakson-COVID protocol Michael Isakson-COVID protocol Bruce Abts- COVID protocol Carrie Krause- COVID protocol Theresa Henderson-masks Aaron Henderson-masks

Consideration of Adjustments to the Agenda

Kalene Engel made a motion to move item 13A Discussion of the snowmobile trail after the consent agenda followed by 12A Discuss and consider recommendation to update the 2021-22 Ready to Learn plan. Don Baloun seconded the motion. Motion carried. Karen Knospe added 13E Special meeting to discuss administrator contracts. Kalene Engel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Board of Education minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on October 20, 2021.
- B. Approval of Board of Education minutes from the Special Board Meeting on October 25, 2021.
- C. Approval of October 21, 2021 November 17, 2021 vouchers.

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

Discussion Item

A. Snowmobile trail

Jason Marquardt presented the Board with handouts and a map explaining the snowmobile trail.

Action Items

A. Discuss and consider recommendation to update the 2021-22 Ready to Learn plan

Updates to the Ready to Learn plan were presented to the Board. Don Baloun made a motion to accept the Ready to Learn Plan as shown by administration. Kalene Engel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Recognitions/Donations

None.

Presentation

A. School Report Card – Assistant Principal, Sue McKay

Sue McKay presented a PowerPoint to the Board of the current school report card. She went through data explaining which grades and subjects were performing well and which grades and subjects need to show improvement.

Information Items

A. Principal's Report

1. HS course overview

Mr. Stoppelmoor presented some options he was considering for high school courses for the 2022-2023 school year.

B. Superintendent's Report

1. Personnel Report

Dr. Fairbanks told the Board that both Bill Spriggle and Kayla Lorenz had resigned. Both positions will be advertised and filled.

2. Audit Report

Dr. Fairbanks handed out the audit report books. The audit will be on the agenda for discussion and approval at the December meeting.

C. CESA Report

Larry Cyrus gave the Board an update on the last CESA meeting.

D. SAT Report

Kalene Engel told the Board about items that were discussed at the last SAT meeting. They included the strategic plan, parent-teacher conferences, community involvement, and schedules.

Action Items

A. Discuss and consider recommendation to update the 2021-22 Ready to Learn plan

B. Discuss and consider recommendation to create an Ad-Hoc committee to address declining enrollment

Don Baloun, Bonnie Breza, and Karen Knospe volunteered to be on the Ad-Hoc committee to address declining enrollment. Kalene Engel made a motion to create an Ad-Hoc committee with the charge as written in the handout by Don Baloun. The Outreach Committee will develop an outreach plan that targets declining enrollment and staff resignations. The committee will present the plan to the Board for approval. The plan will address student withdrawals at all grade levels. In addition, it will seek information from staff that have resigned from their positions but remain in the workforce. Larry Cyrus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Discuss and consider recommendation to adopt updated Vision, Mission, & Tagline Kalene Engel made a motion to accept the vision, mission, and tagline as presented in the superintendent's notes printed on the website. Don Baloun seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion Items

A. Snowmobile trail

B. Annual Board Development Tool

Each Board member needs to complete this activity and turn it in.

C. Book Study – Critical Conversations

Kalene Engel purchased the book Critical Conversations for each board member.

D. Clarity of items put onto the agenda

It was explained that items need to be clear to be added to the agenda, so each person is prepared to discuss the topic at the meeting.

E. Special Board meeting

It was decided to have a Special Board meeting on December 2, 2021 in closed session to discuss administrative contracts.

Future Agenda Items

Work Study – January Solar Power – TBD School Support Groups – TBD

Fundraising – TBD Review Strategic Plan -TBD

Co-Curriculars – TBD

Staff Recognition – TBD

Review Timeline and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings

A. Thursday, December 2, 2021	Committee of the Whole	6:00 p.m.
B. Wednesday, December 15, 2021	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
C. Thursday, January 6, 2022	Committee of the Whole	6:00 p.m.
D. Wednesday, January 19, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Added Monday, January 10, 2022	Special Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Don Baloun made the motion to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. Lynn Doelle seconded the motion. Motion carried.