

January 11, 2021

**To:** Cochrane-Fountain City School Board  
S2770 State Road 35  
Fountain City, WI 54629

**From:** Don A. Baloun  
S2618 Schlawin Road  
Cochrane, WI 54622



**RE:** C-FC School Board Vacancy

To Whom It May Concern:

I am demonstrating my qualifications and interest in serving on the C-FC School Board through the completion of this letter. I understand that the vacant director position will be temporarily seated until the April election results in it being permanently filled.

My qualifications for serving on the board are:

- Served as a director on the C-FC School Board from 2016-2018 and have received all of the WASB Board Member training offered.
- Played key role with the Board passing the last referendum;
- Knowledgeable of the document "The Key Work of School Boards" and the role Board's play in the operation and leadership of a successful school district.
- Retired from USADA-NRCS where I served as the agency director for the State of Minnesota garnering extensive experience with budgets, human resource management, contracting, human capital & strategic planning and the supervision & management of 420 employees.
- Served on the Board during the decision to change from Policy Governance to the current model.

My interests in serving on the Board can be demonstrated by my desire to see C-FC be the best school it can be for the students, staff and community. Some examples are:

- assisting the Board through attendance at the POC (Project Oversight Committee) meetings to complete implementation of the construction activities funded by the recent referendum;
- more recently, I have assisted Board members with fund raising and the development of interim guidance for the Treasure Trove Giving Circle.
- Being retired, I have the desire and time to give to my community and I see the School Board as an outstanding and meaningful opportunity.

I understand and appreciate that the Cochrane-Fountain City School is the heartbeat of our combined communities. I believe with the knowledge, skills and abilities that I have acquired through my life experiences; I can play a positive role with the other members of the Board and Administration to make District the best it can be.

**COCHRANE-FOUNTAIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE AS AN APPOINTEE TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**

*This document shall be sworn before a notary or other person who is authorized to administer oaths.*

I, Don Baloun, being duly sworn, state that  
(Print the name of the person wishing to be considered for appointment)

I am willing to be considered for selection to the office of school board member, as an appointee to fill a vacancy and that I meet the applicable age, citizenship, residency, and voting qualification requirements prescribed by the constitutions and laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin, and that I will otherwise qualify for the office if I am selected to fill a vacancy on the School Board of the Cochrane-Fountain City School District.

I further state that I have not been convicted of a felony in any court within the United States for which I have not been pardoned and that I know of no reason that would otherwise make me ineligible to hold the above-identified office.

My present address, including my municipality of residence for voting purposes is:

Town of \_\_\_\_\_ OR Village of Belvidere OR

City of \_\_\_\_\_

S2618 SCHLAWIN ROAD, COCHRANE, WI 54622

(House or Fire No./Street Name Mailing Municipality and State Zip code)



(Signature of the person, named above, wishing to be considered for appointment)

STATE OF WISCONSIN

County of Buffalo ss.  
(County where oath administered)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of January, 2021.



(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)

Lisa S. Bremner

(Printed name)

Notary Public State of Wisconsin  
(Official title, if not a notary)

For a Notary: My commission expires 12-4-2024

NOTARY SEAL NOT REQUIRED

WASB References: SE3, 11/2/2015