Cochrane-Fountain City School District Board Meeting in Committee May 6, 2024

Call to Order

Darrin Dillinger called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the high school board room #335. Board members present were Larry Cyrus, Lisa Wolfe, Amanda Lacey, Darrin Dillinger, and Lynn Doelle. Michael Ayala and Niki Secrist were absent. Also present were Troy White, Allen Bollinger, Tom Hiebert, Cindy Lambert, and Alisha Pronschinske.

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

Darrin Dillinger attested to the publication of the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Lynn Doelle made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Lisa Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presentation

Previous board member recognition.

Darrin Dillinger presented Allen Bollinger with a framed certificate honoring the time he served on the school board. Don Baloun was not present to receive his plaque.

Information Items

- **Staff appreciation week May 6-10.** Troy White presented that staff appreciation week included treats and each group that was sponsoring the event.
- i-Ready testing The similarities and differences between the i-Ready and MAP testing platforms was presented by Troy White. It was shared that the staff has been piloting the i-Ready platform and has brought back good reviews. The district is looking to move to i-Ready versus MAP for grades 3 8 and continue with MAP testing in 5K-2 until the ESGI platform could replace it.
- **School end time** The school start time of 8:00 a.m. and end time of 3:14 p.m. every day for the entire district was shared with the board by Troy White. The change was presented by the principals to provide more consistency for parents, transportation, and shared staffing.
- **Sol Simon resignation and post-employment benefits** Troy White told the Board that Sol Simon has submitted his resignation and will be taking his post-employment benefits.

Discussion Items

- Policy 141 update Policy 141 was updated to reflect that all board members can vote for officers.
- Live streaming board meetings -- Live streaming board meetings was brought forward by Lisa Wolfe. A discussion about being more transparent was raised. The board agreed that the audio recordings currently being made should be posted on the district's website. Mr. White will investigate board policies before making this decision.
- Western Dairyland's removal of playground equipment -- Lisa Wolfe inquired whether there would be a conversation with Western Dairyland about purchasing the playground equipment. Garek Barum, maintenance director, has communicated the need for the area to be cleaned and excavated by July to allow the district time to prepare for the school year. Ongoing conversations are welcomed, but it would be up to Western Dairyland Head Start.

Future Agenda Items

Administrative contract

Review Timelines and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings.

Wednesday	May 15 th , 2024	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Monday	June 3 rd , 2024	Committee of the Whole	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	June 19 th , 2024	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Amanda Lacey made a motion to adjourn, Lynn Doelle seconded the motion. Motion carried at 6:15 p.m.