

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Peggy Judd, Vice-Chairman; Tom Crosby, Supervisor

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator
Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board
Camila Rochin, Public Information Officer

Attendees: Daniel Duchon, Budget Manager
Jacqui Clay, School Superintendent
Kimberlee Madden, Chief Deputy Superintendent

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Supervisors

1. Budget Work Session - Discussion of County Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 specifically: Schools

Ms. Clay presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. She reviewed the School Superintendent's Office's (Office) mission and purpose, revenue and budget history for three fiscal years, and the duties and responsibilities of each staff member: Administrative Assistant, Outreach Coordinator, Accountant, Business Manager, Education Specialist, and Deputy Superintendent. She displayed the organizational chart and the Office's goals for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. In response to the Board, Ms. Clay provided information about the Office's responsibilities for juveniles at the detention center and the jail; those convicted of a heinous crime, or charged as an adult, go to the jail rather than detention center.

The Board, Ms. Clay and Ms. Madden discussed the Office's duties of reconciling the School Districts' cash accounts to the County Treasurer; the 21 School Districts' accounts are divided and the Accountant, Business Manager, and Chief Deputy Superintendent are each responsible for seven. The Office does not have a way to correct situations where School Districts are in financial troubles; the Office can make recommendations, but spending decisions are ultimately made by each School

District's Governing Board. The Office is working with Senator Gowan and the Gila County School Superintendent on creating a white paper to the state legislature detailing why School Districts are having financial troubles. The Board and Ms. Clay discussed the status of the Accommodation School.

The Office is not requesting any assistance in Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Mr. Duchon confirmed that the expenses are flat, with revenues slightly increasing.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board