

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference 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, Deputy County Administrator
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Tim Mattix, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Jacqui Clay, School Superintendent
Nikki Madden, Chief Deputy School Superintendent
Monica Miranda, Finance Director
Juan Frisby, Budget Manager

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

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1. Budget Work Session - Discussion of County Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 specifically: County School Superintendent.

Dr. Clay and Ms. Madden presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions from the Board throughout. Dr. Clay outlined the office's responsibilities, groups of students served, and organizational chart. Ms. Madden reviewed sources of funding and grants over the past fiscal years. The budget request for the new fiscal year does not include any additional funds, though the School Superintendent's Office would like to be included in the salary adjustments. Dr. Clay reviewed the goals for the upcoming fiscal year, mentioning the Cochise County Accommodation Dropout Recovery program, the Mental Health Consortium, the Mental Health Consortium and that staff is working on a literacy grant.

Dr. Clay covered in detail the New Crossroads Academy, stating that the Academy has 98 students eligible for Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes, which pay for programs such as nursing, coding and other career technology education programs. Dr. Clay reviewed the financial status and stated that some of the money would be used to purchase a car and retrofit a donated ambulance with computers for mobile testing. The academy has 79 graduates, 49 in Cochise County. The Board and Dr. Clay discussed the membership of the Advisory Board for the New Crossroads Academy.

In response to the Board, Ms. Madden clarified that while salary adjustments were not included in the presentation, they are being requested.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tim Mattix, Clerk of the Board