

INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
405 E. NORTH STREET
TRURO, IA 50257-0079

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 P.M.

High School ICN Room

April 11, 2011

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order - President Leah Gray called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Bryan Arzani, Julie Brownlee, Leah Gray, Dan Kirkpatrick, and Ken Stanley – present. Absent – none.
- III. Welcome and Recognize Visitors – Dr. Randy McCaulley was in attendance.
- IV. Approval of Agenda – Julie Brownlee moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Dan Kirkpatrick. Motion carried 5-0.
- V. Open Forum – Dr. McCaulley was in attendance to recognize Principal Tim Busby’s retirement and presented Busby with a gift.
- VI. FY2012 Budget Hearing; Certify Budget – Leah Gray, President, announced that it was the time and place for the public hearing and meeting on the proposed 2011-12 school budget, an that the proposed budget was published pursuant to the provisions of the Code of Iowa. There were no residents or taxpayers in attendance to speak to the proposed budget, therefore, Gray then declared that the time for receiving objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget was now closed.

Following the public hearing, Business Manager Jennifer Jamison highlighted the proposed budget. The proposed tax rate will remain stable at \$18.43 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. The district assumed an increase to allowable growth of 1.5%. Should allowable growth come in at something less, the cash reserve and/or management levy will be adjusted to keep the rate stable at \$18.43 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. The district’s certified enrollment increased 1.75 students, and the weighted enrollment increased 17.5 due to the additional weighting for the shared maintenance position with Clarke CSD. Following Jamison’s review of the budget, Dan Kirkpatrick moved to approve the budget, seconded by Bryan Arzani. Motion carried 5-0.

- VII. Consent Agenda –
 - Approval of past minutes: March 21, 29, 30, and 31
Motion to approve past minutes by Julie Brownlee, seconded by Bryan Arzani. Motion carried 5-0.
 - Approval of personnel
Resignation – Jill DeVries (5/6 Science)
Hire – Jeff Snider (Secondary Principal)
Motion to approve consent agenda by Julie Brownlee, seconded by Dan Kirkpatrick. Motion carried 5-0.
- VIII. Superintendent’s Report – Superintendent Sundermeyer explained the rationale for the reconfiguration of PK-5, 6-8, and 9-12, the Secondary Principal, Dean of Students, etc.

Sundermeyer thanked Tom Dannen and Casey Christensen for their help in crafting the schedule for next school year which implements various changes. For grades 6-8, the new schedule will allow for reading every day, a reading skinny or advisory period, a common planning time for all core subject teachers, and more minutes for chorus and band. The elementary will also receive more time for specials, while keeping three recesses for grades K-2, and two recesses for grades 3-5. At the High School, the staffing schedule will allow for more course offerings to tentatively include: an auto class planned to be blocked for two periods that will be worth two credits, an advanced CAD class, as well as an additional health class. Julie Brownlee left the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

- IX. Adjourn – Bryan Arzani moved to adjourn. Motion approved 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Leah Gray, Board President

Jennifer Jamison, Board Secretary