

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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 P.M.

High School Library

May 21, 2012

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order - President Leah Gray called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Bryan Arzani, Julie Brownlee, Leah Gray, Dan Kirkpatrick, Ken Stanley, – present. Absent – none.
- III. Welcome and recognize visitors – District patrons Tina Burkhead, Jennifer Dickinson, and Ann Fantz were in attendance. Also in attendance: Dean of Students candidate, Rose Dickinson, district administrators and directors.
- IV. Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve the agenda by Dan Kirkpatrick, seconded by Julie Brownlee. Motion carried 5-0.
- V. District Priorities – President Gray reviewed the following district priorities with the board to keep in the forefront as the board makes decisions that continue to move the district forward:
 - 1) Articulate and support a cohesive student-centered PK-12 vision for continuous school improvement
 - 2) Promote (Ensure/Engage in) effective teaching and relevant learning for the 21st Century
 - 3) Operate with fiscal integrity, efficiency and effectiveness
- VI. Public Hearing: FY2012 Budget Amendment – President Gray announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing regarding the FY2012 proposed budget amendment. There being no one present to speak in favor of or against the budget amendment, President Gray declared the hearing closed. The amendment is necessary to stay within the adopted budget in the functional areas of support services, other expenditures, and non-instructional program expenditures. These areas would have become overspent if not amended due to unanticipated costs from the time the budget was adopted last fiscal year and to allow for depreciation expenses to address an audit finding from the previous year’s audit. An increase to the adopted budget does not affect property taxes in any way; rather it merely adjusts the maximum authorized budget adopted in April 2011 accordingly. Bryan Arzani moved to approve the 2012 budget amendment, seconded by Dan Kirkpatrick. Motion carried, 5-0.
- VII. Public Hearing: Early Start Date Waiver Request – President Gray announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing regarding the Early Start Date Waiver Request. There being no one present to speak in favor or against the Early Start Date Waiver Request, President Gray declared the hearing closed. As specified in Iowa Code Section 279.10, Subsection 1, a school district must hold a public hearing on an Early Start Calendar waiver request. This waiver allows the Board of Education of a school district to make a request to the Director of the Department of Education to commence classes for regularly established elementary and secondary schools prior to the earliest date in statute which is “no sooner than a day during the calendar week in which the first day of September falls...” Dan

Kirkpatrick moved to approve the Early Start Date Waiver Request, seconded by Julie Brownlee. Motion carried, 5-0.

VIII. Open Forum – Ann Fantz addressed the board about preschool enrollment concerns and read a statement along with two other letters regarding the same.

IX. Consent Agenda –

A) Approval of Past Minutes: April 23

B) Approval of Bills

C) Approval of Personnel

- Resignations – Sarah Engel (Title I and coaching duties); Jen Wills (FCS); Colton Calvert (MS assistant baseball); Joyce Lauer (cook); Laurie Jones (custodian).
- Hires – Lori Day (FCS); Rose Dickinson (Dean of Students); Samantha Kennedy (Title I) pending satisfactory background checks. Tiffany Johnson (senior class sponsor); Roxanne Beeler (MS assistant softball); Colton Calvert (HS assistant baseball); Ethan Calvert (MS assistant baseball).
- Transfers – Tina Burkhead (from elementary to student services secretary); Janelle Gutzmer (from 6th/instructional coach to 6th-7th math); Heather Dutrey (from 7th-8th math to 8th math/instructional coach).

Motion to approve consent agenda by Bryan Arzani, seconded by Julie Brownlee. Motion carried 5-0.

X. Reports to the Board – Dean of Students Kelly Myers shared what her position looked like this year, systems she established, successes realized, and next steps for going forward.

Superintendent Sundermeyer shared the results of the 2011-12 Iowa Assessments with the board. Overall, students did very well in science, better than expected in math, and still need improvement in reading.

Written reports were provided in the board packet by the Activities Director, Head Cook, Transportation Coordinator, Principals, Business Manager, and Superintendent. Principal Casey Christensen responded to Ann Fantz's earlier comments regarding preschool. Christensen said that parents were given a preference in either half day or full day programming, but were not promised anything. Based on the enrollment numbers, changes had to be made. Jennifer Jamison presented the board with updated financials that were omitted from the original packet in error. Jamison also expanded on the reasons for the budget amendment, specifically the support services portion of the budget.

XI. Roadrunner Recognition – There were no recognitions

XII. Extended Leave of Absence – Doug George has requested a leave of absence for medical reasons to allow him to return to his position this fall if he is able. Julie Brownlee moved to approve an extended leave of absence through November 16, 2012 for Doug George, seconded by Dan Kirkpatrick. Motion carried, 5-0.

XIII. Board Policy 904.2 - Advertising and Promotion – The district received a request from a local bank to include the Roadrunner logo on a specifically designed blue and red card. The revised policy gives the board discretion to approve or deny these requests. Bryan Arzani moved to approve the revised board policy 904.2 and waive the second reading, seconded by Julie Brownlee. Motion carried, 5-0. Dan Kirkpatrick moved to approve the one-time use of the district logo for the design of the credit card, seconded by Julie Brownlee. Motion carried, 5-0.

- XIV. Temporary Summer Help – The following individuals have been given letters of agreement to provide temporary summer help in maintenance and painting:
- Maintenance: Colton Hurst, Joe Jackson, Madeline Sulentic, and Allison Schultz
 - Painters: Tina Burkhead and Jeana Schultz
- Julie Brownlee moved to approve the list of individuals for summer help, seconded by Bryan Arzani. Motion carried, 5-0.
- XV. Shared Transportation Agreement with Clarke CSD – Clarke Schools recently contacted us about sharing the costs of transporting students to Woodward. We now have Murray, Clarke, and I-35 sharing the costs for these services which benefits all three districts. Motion by Julie Brownlee to approve the Shared Transportation Agreement with Clarke CSD, seconded by Bryan Arzani. Motion carried, 5-0.
- XVI. Upcoming Dates –
- May 25 – Last day of school, 4-hour early dismissal
 - May 25 – Last day for early registration
 - May 30, 12:05 p.m. – Special Board meeting, boiler specs
 - June 28 – Regular Board meeting, 6 p.m.
 - July 23 – Regular Board meeting, 6 p.m.
- XVII. Board Comments/Future Agenda Items –
- Late May/Early June – boiler plans, specs, contract
 - Late May/Early June – salary considerations for others
 - June – Superintendent evaluation
 - June – Time card system
 - June – Maintenance update
 - June/July – Student handbooks
- The board recessed at 8:20 p.m.
- XVIII. Negotiations Strategy Session, (EXEMPT Iowa Code Ch. 21) – Motion by Julie Brownlee, seconded by Dan Kirkpatrick to enter exempt session to discuss salary negotiations, motion carried 5-0. Exempt session began at 8:35 p.m. Motion by Dan Kirkpatrick to return to open session, seconded by Bryan Arzani. Motion carried, 5-0. Open session resumed at 11:17 p.m.
- XIX. Adjourn – Julie Brownlee moved to adjourn. Motion approved 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 p.m.

Leah Gray, Board President

Jennifer Jamison, Board Secretary