

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION MINUTES

September 29, 2014

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education held a work session, Monday, September 29, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Library in Truro, Iowa.

President Julie Brownlee called the work session to order at 5:32 p.m. Directors Bryan Arzani, Tracy Bean, Julie Brownlee, Leah Gray, and Dan Kirkpatrick were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Kevin Fiene and Board Secretary Ted Bauer.

Motion by Arzani, seconded by Gray to approve the agenda; motion carried 5-0.

School bus cameras were discussed in detail during the August 25th work session. To continue this discussion, Wade Campbell, representative from School Bus Sales, came to explain the different systems and options that his company had quoted to I-35. Campbell explained the differences between the HD and SD cards for data storage, including picture quality and quantity (length of time before it is recorded over) and warranty. Board members asked questions regarding how many cameras would be provided with each system and Campbell explained the most common locations where cameras are placed on buses to provide the optimal coverage of students boarding and sitting on the buses. He further explained that cameras will capture license plate numbers for vehicles that do not stop when the stop arm is out. The quotes ranged from \$23,250 for the package with the fewer cameras and options (4 port system) to \$45,000 for the package with more cameras and expandable options (8 port system). Expandable options include the ability to add GPS to know the location of each vehicle. Transportation Director, Bobbie Finley, reiterated how the cameras would provide safety for students, drivers, and the district. Fiene explained that if approved, the cameras would be funded out of the PPEL funds. The Board thanked Mr. Campbell for coming to I-35 to explain his systems and answer their questions.

Rick Gray, Director of Buildings and Grounds, and Dr. Fiene presented a review of maintenance and grounds department to identify areas that need attention in the near future. One area includes the need to update the control system for the HVAC systems. Bryce Travis from Travis Mechanical was present to explain the benefits of updating these controls. Gray explained the challenges he faces to simply change the temperature in certain parts of the building. Dr. Fiene also explained that the intercom, clocks, and bell systems are not working properly. Fiene expressed his concern that when these systems are not working properly, it causes problems with teaching and learning and he would like to get a plan in place to rectify these problems. These areas of concerns will be discussed with the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Fiene further explained the need to update the pickup truck used to push snow, UTV with sander, and a dump trailer for recycling.

At 6:50 p.m., motion by Gray, seconded by Kirpatrick to adjourn; motion carried 5-0.

Julie Brownlee, Board President

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary