

INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2015

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, Monday, May 18, 2015, in the High School Library in Truro, Iowa.

President Julie Brownlee called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all visitors. Directors Bryan Arzani, Julie Brownlee, Leah Gray, and Dan Kirkpatrick were in attendance. Director Tracy Bean was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Kevin Fiene and Board Secretary Ted Bauer. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Brownlee read I-35's District Mission Statement and the District's Priorities.

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Gray to approve the agenda; motion carried 4-0.

Education Spotlight: Third Grade Newspaper—Tahra Bedwell, Beva Lupkes, and Alyson Morrison (third grade teachers) and Averil Ransom, Allyce Phillips, and Grace Knedler (third grade students) were present to share their work on the 3rd grade newspaper project and to commemorate the 50th year for this project. The students shared a PowerPoint including interviews with current employees who worked on the paper during their third grade year. Special guest included Helen Lorenzen, the originator of the project in 1964-1965. Board members and Fiene thanked the third grade team for their presentation.

The meeting was moved to the HS Commons at 7:18 p.m. to recognize Greg VanWyngarden for his 37 years of service to Interstate 35 CSD. Fiene presented Greg VanWyngarden with a clock and expressed his appreciation and thanked him for his many years of service. At 7:56 p.m. the board meeting continued in the HS library.

Open Forum: No visitors commented to the Board.

Fiene reported on the following items: Commencements, math realignment and curricula, professional development calendar for the 2015-16 school year, and wind damage to fencing, bus garage, shed, and tree limbs.

The Board received written updates from Principals.

Kirkpatrick and Brownlee shared they will be attending an open house for the Rural School Advocates of Iowa (RSAI) in West Des Moines.

President Brownlee called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items: minutes of the April 27, 2015 work session, public meeting, and regular meeting, the May 11, 2015 special board meeting; monthly bills and financial statement; resignation from Beva Lupkes (assistant MS girls track coach); contract for Becky Porter (Special Education

Coordinator/Director) (.50 FTE). Motion by Gray, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the consent items as presented; motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Gray to approve the Series 400 Board Policies as presented by Lynch Dallas; motion carried 4-0.

After a discussion of the summer projects, the Board decided to table all decisions regarding approving bids for summer projects. Fiene will invite Piper Jaffrey to come and present financing options from the SAVE/PPEL to the Board to determine the extent of the projects that will be done this summer.

Motion by Arzani, seconded by Gray to approve the Administrative/Non-Association Contracts for 2015-2016 as presented by Fiene; motion carried 4-0.

The auditor bids were tabled and will be presented at the June meeting.

May is School Board Recognition Month by the IASB. Fiene presented each Board member with a certificate thanking them for their service to Interstate 35 Community School District during the past year.

Fiene presented the first reading of the Board Policy Series 500, updated by Lynch Dallas.

A special board meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 28, at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library in Truro. The board will hold a work session on June 29, at 5:30 p.m. The next regular board meeting is set for June 29, at 7:00 p.m. at the high school library in Truro.

At 8:17 p.m., Gray moved to go into closed session under Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) to review the superintendent's evaluation; Kirkpatrick seconded; motion carried 4-0.

At 8:54 p.m., the board returned from closed session.

Kirkpatrick moved to adjourn, Gray seconded; motion carried 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Julie Brownlee, President

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary