

INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 29, 2014

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, Monday, September 29, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library in Truro, Iowa.

President Julie Brownlee called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and welcomed all visitors. Directors Bryan Arzani, Tracy Bean, Julie Brownlee, Leah Gray, and Dan Kirkpatrick were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Kevin Fiene, Board Secretary Ted Bauer, and Student Council Representative Zach Goering. 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 Bean to approve the agenda; motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: No visitors commented to the Board.

Dr. Fiene reported on the following items: SINA (Schools In Need of Assistance) Team at the elementary has attended training and is developing the SINA plan; Parent-Teacher Conferences were well attended and Homecoming was a success; auditors were here in the prior week, gave positive reviews in the exit interview, and will provide the written report when completed; safety improvements will be made at the bus garage and parking area before winter; and the state has just inspected our bus fleet with minimal repairs needed to be done on several vehicles.

President Brownlee reported on upcoming board training and shared the results from a board self-assessment that the I-35 board members work well together and represent a strong and positive board.

President Brownlee called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items: minutes of the August 25, 2014 work session and regular meeting; monthly bills; resignations from Kathryn Phillips (custodian), Ryan Snyder (weight room supervisor), James White (MS boys basketball coach); contracts for Carl Ross Cornelison (substitute bus driver), Jeff Douglas (HS baseball coach), Beva Lupkes (MS girls assistant track coach), and Jamie Smith, Ryan Snyder, and Mike Stuart (shared weight room supervisors). Motion by Gray, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the consent items as presented; motion carried 5-0.

The second reading of Board Policy 802.4 for raising the limit from \$500 to \$5,000 for capital assets within the school district as suggested by the district's auditor. Motion by Arzani, seconded by Kirkpatrick, to approve the second reading of Board Policy 802.4; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Arzani, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the purchase of school bus cameras (Option #3) from School Bus Sales (HD420 Series DVR, 8-port system) from PPEL fund; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Bean to approve the out-of-state travel request for FFA students to attend the FFA National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky; motion carried 5-0.

The Building and Grounds Committee has recommended a facility assessment focused on mechanical capabilities completed by an engineering firm. The district received 3 bids on the project and the Building and Grounds Committee reviewed each bid and recommended that the board accept KCL Engineering's bid

to provide this analysis. After review of the committee's recommendation, motion by Gray, seconded by Arzani to approve KCL Engineering's bid for \$3,100; motion carried 5-0.

After further discussion from the work session regarding the need to upgrade the equipment for snow removal, sanding, and transporting recycling materials, motion by Arzani, seconded by Gray to approve the following bids: 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD 4WD from Karl Chevrolet for \$27,140.45 (state price); Western Model multi-position Polly V Plow for pickup from Truck Equipment, Inc. for \$5,989; Kubota RTV with 10 cubic-foot spreader (sander) from Sundown Equipment for \$26,339; and Big Tex 14 LX bumper pull trailer w/48" sides from Thomas Bus Sales for \$7,304; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bean, to repay the General Fund from Fund 33 (SAVE) for the short-term loan of \$240,000 plus an interest rate of .22%; motion carried 5-0.

The district ran a special education deficit of \$400,132.61 in 2013-14 school year. The district can apply to the School Budget Review Committee to be able to recoup these costs in terms of spending authority. Motion by Arzani, seconded by Kirkpatrick, to approve the FY14 Application to SBRC for the Special Education Deficit of \$400,132.61; motion carried 5-0.

The next work session is set for October 27, at 5:30 p.m. and the next regular board meeting is set for October 27, at 7:00 p.m. at the high school library in Truro.

Arzani moved to adjourn, Kirkpatrick seconded; motion carried 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Julie Brownlee, Board President

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary