

**INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**April 25, 2016**

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, on Monday, April 25, 2016, immediately following the 6:00 p.m. public hearing for the 2016-2017 school calendar at the High School Library in Truro, Iowa.

President Bryan Arzani called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. and welcomed all visitors. Directors Bryan Arzani, Josh Hughes, Dan Kirkpatrick, and Jeremy Maske were present. Eddie Vonnahme was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Kevin Fiene and Board Secretary Ted Bauer. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Arzani read I-35's District Mission Statement and the District's Priorities.

Motion by Maske, seconded by Hughes to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Item VIII G: Discuss and/or Approve Out-of-State Student Trip; motion carried 4-0.

Open Forum: No visitors commented to the Board.

Education Spotlight: (a) State Wrestling: State Wrestling Qualifiers Sal Arzani, Austin Pontier, Dante Arzani and Nathan Phillips were present and addressed the Board, thanking them for the support that they have received through the years and allowing them to travel to wrestling competitions to gain valuable experience. (b) Computational Thinking Competition: TAG instructor, Janet Walkup, and Technology instructor, Julie Kordick, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, Hanna Bedwell and Hannah Wisniewski were present to share their recent project, the Tick Tock Clock, and their experience representing I-35 in a Computational Thinking Competition. Eighth grade student, Taylor Brommel, was present and shared her computer-programming project, the Maze Game. Shaylee Kozak was unable to be present to demonstrate her project, the electronic rain-sensing downspout. The Board congratulated all the students and thanked them for their dedication and efforts.

Fiene reported to the Board on the following items: update from the April 4<sup>th</sup> SIAC meeting; update on Iowa Assessments compared to Smarter Balanced; update on Chapter 62 (Summer Reading) requirements that have been postponed to 2018 since it is an unfunded mandate; update that the I-35 buses have recently been inspected by the State and the results were very good; and a reminder that graduation is scheduled at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 21.

Maske reported that he had attended the Variety Show and complimented the participants.

President Arzani called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items: minutes of the March 28, 2016 regular meeting; minutes of the April 12, 2016 public hearing for the 2016-2017 budget and special board meeting; minutes of the April 19, 2016 work session; monthly bills and financial statement; resignations from Kurt Adams (MS head baseball coach) and (HS assistant baseball coach), Sara Downes (elementary counselor), Rachel Hadden (HS business teacher) and (assistant volleyball coach), and Logan Tibbits (assistant MS baseball coach); and contracts for Nicole Bovy (HS summer school supervision), Jodean Delperdang (summer reading teacher), Angela Doty (technology education teacher), Kelsey Fish (5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher), Stephanie Good (NHS sponsor), Nick Grove (assistant HS girls track coach), Lauren Judickas (4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher), Megan Lathrop (TAG teacher), Blaze Shedenhelm (grade K-6 P.E. teacher), and Logan Tibbits (head MS baseball coach) and (assistant HS baseball coach). Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Maske to approve the minutes and bills as presented; motion carried 4-0. Motion by Maske, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the resignations

and contract recommendations as presented, pending verification of certification and return of clear background checks; motion carried 4-0.

The Board discussed and reviewed the work session on facilities that was held on April 19 with OPN Architects. Board members were pleased with the work done by OPN Architects in Phase I-Site Planning which is nearing completion. The Board will hold a work session on April 28 at 6:00 P.M. at the High School Library. A representative from Piper Jaffrey will present financing/borrowing options available to the district if the district were to move forward with any of these facility projects.

The Superintendent Evaluation process that was approved earlier this year was discussed and reviewed. Arzani explained that he has sent out a survey to all district employees to get input to use in Superintendent Dr. Fiene's evaluation. Each board member will complete an evaluation and return to Arzani. The Board will meet with Fiene in June to review and discuss his evaluation.

Motion by Maske, seconded by Hughes to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar as presented, motion carried 4-0.

Fiene explained that the 28E Operational Sharing Agreements with SE Warren Community School District for the 2015-2016 school year have gone very well. I-35 CSD and SE Warren CSD share curriculum and transportation personnel. I-35 has gained the funding equivalent of 8 students through this agreement and has gained additional services. Fiene recommended continuing this agreement for next year. Motion by Hughes, seconded by Maske to approve the 28E Operational Sharing Agreements with SE Warren CSD for 2016-2017, motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Hughes to approve the Tentative Agreement with I-35 Teachers' Association for 2016-2017 (total package settlement of 3.1%), motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Maske to approve the List of 2016 Graduates as presented, pending successful completion of all graduation requirements, motion carried 4-0.

Fiene led a discussion on equipment breakdown insurance. Fiene explained that equipment breakdown insurance is another way to save general fund dollars, as the district can purchase the breakdown insurance out of the management fund. Repairs done by district employees or outside vendors on covered items can be submitted for reimbursement to the general fund. Additional information on this topic may be brought back to the board in future months.

Fiene updated the board members that the district has been working to prepare for a 1:1 technology rollout for the Fall of 2017. Geoff Tessau and Steve Kaster gave a presentation comparing Chromebook and Citrex applications and gave a cost comparison between Macs and Chromebooks. Fiene explained that it is important to plan ahead and prepare staff in professional development in 2016-2017, prior to the possible rollout of the 1:1 initiative in grades 6-12 in the Fall of 2017. More information will be provided at future meetings when a recommendation will be brought to the Board for approval.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the American Literature class to visit the Civil War Museum in Kansas City on May 6, 2016; motion carried 4-0.

A board work session is scheduled for April 28, at 6:00 p.m. at the high school library in Truro. The next regular board meeting is set for May 23, at 6:00 p.m. at the high school library in Truro.

Kirkpatrick moved to adjourn, Hughes seconded; motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

---

Bryan Arzani, Board President

---

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary