

INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2016

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education held a work session meeting on Tuesday, July 19, at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Library in Truro, Iowa.

President Bryan Arzani called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. Directors Josh Hughes, Jeremy Maske, and Eddie Vonnahme were in attendance. Vice-President Dan Kirkpatrick was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Kevin Fiene and Board Secretary Ted Bauer.

Motion by Maske, seconded by Hughes to approve the agenda; motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Fiene started the discussion that Phase 1—site planning—for the three projects (auditorium, bus/maintenance building, and CTE space/building)has been completed and this work session is intended to promote questions and discuss how the board would like to move forward from Phase 1. On April 19, representatives from OPN Architects presented site plan options and cost estimates for the three projects and the potential phasing/order of the projects and cost differences with the various options. On May 26, a representative from Piper Jaffrey shared potential funding options that the district has available. Board members discussed whether or not there is a need for an auditorium, bus/maintenance garage, and CTE building/shop space and asked what each would do for I-35 students. A cost-benefit analysis for each of these projects will be done to show how each project will benefit I-35 students. Board members also recommended that an analysis be done to determine if the current facilities are inadequate or how inadequate they currently are for providing adequately for I-35 students. Secondary Principal Steve Kaster shared the importance of focusing on career-ready education, as well as the college-ready education. Trades with skills such as welding, building trades, CNC, culinary, auto mechanics, and advanced metal fabrication would benefit many students not attending college. The Board also discussed the cost of the projects and discussed how reviewing the plans and adjusting the designs with the architects could reduce the costs.

Motion by Hughes to adjourn, seconded by Vonnahme; motion carried 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Bryan Arzani, Board President

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary