

**INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 26, 2022**

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 26, 2022 in the Auditorium in Truro, Iowa.

President Jeremy Maske called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Directors Roger Cannoy, Melissa Keller, Monica Strange, and Eddie Vonnahme were present. Also present were Superintendent Mrs. Sharon Dentlinger and Board Secretary Ted Bauer. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Maske read I-35's District Mission Statement and the District's Priorities.

Motion by Cannoy, seconded by Strange to approve the agenda; motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: No one from the public was present to address the board.

Secondary Principal Anson Bonte shared the highlights of his written report. During the last full day of professional development, the building-wide PRIDE (Positive-Respect-Integrity-Dependable-Effort) expectations were finalized and will be posted throughout the building. The expectations will be taught during advisory. Mr. Bonte and Ms. Whitson are working on a goal with the BLT (building leadership team) to increase student engagement in the classroom.

Assistant Secondary Principal Sharon Whitson's written report was given to the Board.

Elementary Principal Danielle Woods shared the highlights of her written report. Woods indicated that one of the things they need to work through is to determine what each staff member's role is in the culture of learning. Staff want to be supported and are looking for follow-through and Woods is working to provide this for her staff. Woods explained how the elementary level is evaluating reading discrepancies, what can be done to improve proficiency, and how hard her staff is working to make their goals.

Activities/Special Education Director Brayton Weber shared the highlights of his written report. Weber explained that during his first year at I35 the goal was to improve culture. In the recent professional development trainings, they have started to identify individual roles and responsibilities through developing individual belief statements concerning the Culture of Learning that is desired at I35. Special Education teams have had training in the new statewide IEP system which is known as Achieve.

Superintendent Mrs. Dentlinger shared that this is Homecoming week. IASB Conference for board members will be coming up on November 17-18 (trade show on November 16) and board members are encouraged to attend. Dentlinger shared that she had attended the RSAI (Rural School Advocates of Iowa) Annual Meeting. Dentlinger shared the SIAC (School Improvement Advisory Committee) meeting minutes from the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Maske called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items: minutes of the regular board meeting on August 22, 2022; monthly bills and financial statement; contracts for Lily Houseman (associate), Jesse Helton (evening custodian), Nancy Bright (bus driver), Stephanie Good (National Honor Society sponsor), Chad Stanley (hs assistant wrestling coach); transfer fr ms head boys basketball coach to hs assistant boys basketball coach for Kevin Boies, transfer fr hs assistant

boys basketball coach to ms assistant boys basketball coach for Zach Weilbacher, transfer from ms assistant boys basketball coach to ms head boys basketball coach; open enrollment; AED quote from AED Authority to purchase additional AED's for additional locations on the campus; and review of mower bids to replace older mower. Motion by Cannoy, seconded by Keller to approve the consent agenda items as presented including the purchase of the Gravely Pro-Turn 152-22HP 52" mower (low bid from CNM Outdoor Equipment), motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Cannoy, seconded by Strange to approve the updates to the Interstate 35 Activities Handbook as presented by Weber; motion carried 5-0.

The Board members individually shared their top legislative priorities to present to RSAI and agreed that the top four to present as I-35's collective issues include the following: Adequate school resources/SSA (State Supplemental Assistance), Educator/Staff shortage and quality instruction, Sharing incentives/efficiencies, and School safety-funding for training and safety personnel. Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Cannoy to approve the district's legislative priorities to present to RSAI; motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Whitney Siefkas gave an overview of the Talented and Gifted program (TAG). Motion by Keller, seconded by Vonnahme to approve the Talented and Gifted Plan; motion carried 5-0.

Facilities Planning Update: Joe Wallace and Rick Seely from OPN Architects were present to provide a brief update on the facilities planning. Wallace explained that the process started with interviewing students, teachers, staff, coaches, and community members to hear what members of these groups felt were the most important needs and wants in a new or updated facility. The Facilities Community Forum was held on August 24 in the media center. Another community forum will be held in late October.

The Certified Annual reports were printed for board members. Reports included the FY22 Budget Crosswalk, FY22 Annual Transportation Report, FY22 Expenditures by All Funds and Individually, FY22 Revenues by Funds by Source, FY22 Special Education Supplement (SES), FY22 Balance Sheet by Fund, and the FY22 Treasurer's Report by fund.

Motion by Keller, seconded by Vonnahme to approve the FY22 Financial Annual Settlement (including the FY22 Treasurer's Report) report as presented: motion carried 5-0.

The district ran a special education deficit of \$226,531.65 in the 2021-22 school year. The district can apply to the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) to be able to recoup these costs in terms of spending authority. Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Strange to approve the FY22 Application to SBRC for the Special Education Deficit of \$226,531.65; motion carried 5-0.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Cannoy to adjourn; motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

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Jeremy Maske, Board President

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Ted Bauer, Board Secretary