

INTERSTATE 35 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 21, 2022

The Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 in the Auditorium in Truro, Iowa.

President Jeremy Maske called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m. Directors Roger Cannoy, Monica Strange, and Eddie Vonnahme were present. Director Melissa Keller joined electronically at 5:25 p.m. 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 Vonnahme to approve the agenda; motion carried 4-0.

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

The Principals, Assistant Principal, and Activities Director/Special Education Director had submitted their written reports to the Board prior to the meeting.

Dentlinger shared that she and Maske had met with State Representative Ray Sorensen. One concern discussed was the impact that school vouchers could have on funding for local school districts. The Insurance Committee recently met with representatives from Gallagher to review how the district's insurance plans are running. Wellmark will provide the rate increase in February for FY24. Gallagher cautioned that because the district's health insurance claims with Wellmark have been running higher this year, the district could see a renewal increase of approximately 23 percent. Additional committee meetings will center around what the district can do to reduce the district health insurance premium if the renewal were to come in high and still maintain a quality plan for employees and their families. Dentlinger also shared that she and Bauer had met with Matt Gillaspie from Piper Sandler to review the district's financial situation regarding debt and future borrowing for facility planning. A future work session will include having Gillaspie give an overview of this information to the Board.

Maske called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items: minutes of the regular board meeting on November 28, 2022; monthly bills and financial statement; contracts for Brandon Chapman (ms baseball coach), Matthew Jorgenson (maintenance); resignations from Lily Houseman (associate), Brandon Chapman (hs assistant baseball coach), Maggie Llewellyn (ms student council advisor and content coach); voluntary transfer for Elizabeth Ford to secretary; contract change for Brenda Streeter from .6 FTE associate to .6 FTE associate and .4 FTE secretary. Motion by Keller, seconded by Cannoy to approve the consent agenda items as presented; motion carried 5-0.

Dentlinger presented the first reading of Board Policy Series 100 and 600. Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Strange to approve the first reading of BP Series 100 and 600 as presented; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Cannoy to change student information systems from Power School to Infinite Campus beginning with the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Strange, seconded by Keller to approve the request for leave of absence for second semester for the 2022-2023 school year by Chris Allen; motion carried 5-0.

Dentlinger shared that a few districts have started offering incentive pay for early notification of resignations. The additional time provides the administration more time to advertise the position when the candidate pool may be larger.

Dentlinger reviewed the air conditioning project that was put out to bid in the Spring of 2022 and asked the Board if the district should put it out to bid another time this year. After discussing options, the Board recommended putting the project out to bid by itself.

At-Risk Plan: Motion by Cannoy, seconded by Keller to approve the At-Risk Plan for the 2023-2024 school year as presented; motion carried 5-0.

At-Risk Plan Modified Supplemental Amount and Supplemental Aid: Motion by Vonnahme, seconded by Cannoy to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) for Modified Supplemental Amount and Supplemental Aid for the 2023-2024 Dropout Prevention Program in the amount of \$230,067 for expenditures necessary to implement the 2023-2024 at-risk and dropout prevention plan as approved by the Interstate 35 Community School District Board of Education. Motion carried 5-0.

At 6:25 p.m., motion by Strange, seconded by Vonnahme to enter closed session to review the district's School Safety Plan pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:00 p.m., President Maske announced the Board was in open session. At this time, Keller's electronic connection ended.

Motion by Cannoy, seconded by Strange to adjourn; motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Jeremy Maske, Board President

Ted Bauer, Board Secretary