

BIG HOLLOW SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2008 7:00 P.M.
BIG HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

President Gallichio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Present: Carsella, DeVito, Frank, Gallichio, Kueter, Pedersen, Wright

Board Absent: None

Administration Present: Pazanin, Arndt, Webb, Smith, Jahnke, Coolidge

School Business Official: Taylor

Guests: Gina Arbay, Jessica Lawson, Kristina Bielak, Cathy Ralston, Farah Silverby, Steven Lanham, Julia Mazur, Sophia Rogalevich, John Mazur

In Items of Public Concern: Mrs. Kristina Bielak thanked the Board for the small class sizes, transportation changes and the return of specials. Mrs. Bielak requested that science equipment and additional books be purchased for second grade. She also inquired about the school district purchasing a vehicle.

There were no School Related Organizations Presentations.

Motion #1 by Frank, seconded by Gallichio to accept the proposed policy revisions.

Aye: Frank, Gallichio, Carsella, DeVito, Kueter, Pedersen, Wright

Nay: None

The Board discussed the Consent Agenda.

Motion #2 by Carsella, seconded by Wright to accept the Consent Agenda: (A. Minutes of the September 15 Proposed Budget Public Hearing, September 15 School Board Meeting and September 22 Special School Board Meeting; B. Accounts Payable; C. Treasurer's Appointment; D. Library Grant; E. Applications For School District Recognition; F. 403 (B) Plan; G. Community Newsletter), with the exception of Item F. 403 (B) Plan.

Aye: Carsella, Wright, DeVito, Frank, Gallichio, Kueter, Pedersen

Nay: None

There were no questions regarding the Principals' Reports.

Superintendent Pazanin presented the Superintendent's Report.

A. Audit of the 2007 – 2008 School Year: A paper copy of the 2007 – 2008 audit is available in the school district office. The district received the following revenue: 81.1% local, 17.9% state, and 1% federal.

B. Proposed 2008 Levy: There will be a public hearing on the proposed Levy, at 6:45 p.m., on November 17, prior to the regular Board meeting.

C. ISAT Results: The annual School District Report Cards will be posted on the district's website next week. The district is currently appealing one of the subgroup's scores.

D. School Board Election: School Board Election Day is April 7, 2009. There are four seats up for election. People interested in running for school board need to: a. Be at least 18 years of age, b. A citizen, c. A registered voter, and d. Reside in the state and school district for at least one year prior to the election.

Packets are available in the school district office. Petitions can be circulated starting October 28. The first day to file is January 20.

E. Assigned School Bus Seating: All the busses have assigned student seats. The seating charts are in the district office.

F. Staff Identification Badges: All employees will be provided staff identification badges.

G. Individual Teacher Website: All teachers will be provided an individual website. The district goal is to have this program implemented in November.

H. New Teacher Mentoring: A new teacher mentoring program is being investigated for the school district. A November 14 overview meeting has been scheduled.

I. RTI: The district administrators are working on their assigned RTI components. The district has purchased a guided reading program. Teachers are currently registering for professional development workshops and courses.

The administrative staff, tentatively, will present their designated components at the January Board meeting.

In Miscellaneous Items, The Cub Scouts planted over 20 trees on the south side of the Elementary Building.

Motion #3 by DeVito, seconded by Kueter to enter into closed session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss Personnel and Property.

Aye: DeVito, Kueter, Carsella, Frank, Gallichio, Pedersen, Wright

Nay: None

The Board returned to open session at 8:02 p.m.

Motion #4 by Gallichio, seconded by Wright to accept the resignation of Melissa Kalas, fourth grade instructional aide.

Aye: Gallichio, Wright, Carsella, DeVito, Frank, Kueter, Pedersen

Nay: None

Motion #5 by Gallichio, seconded by Carsella to hire Janice Weightman to replace Melissa Kalas as an instructional aide.

Aye: Gallichio, Carsella, DeVito, Frank, Kueter, Pedersen, Wright

Nay: None

Motion #6 by Pedersen, seconded by Wright to adjourn at 8:03 p.m.

Aye: Pedersen, Wright, Carsella, DeVito, Frank, Gallichio, Kueter

Nay: None

Victoria Gallichio, President
Board of Education

Doug Pedersen, Secretary
Board of Education