

BIG HOLLOW SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 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 Coolidge

School Business Official: Taylor

Guests: Mohammed Haque, Julia Mazur, Steven Lanham, Cathy Ralston, Heather Janquart

There were no Items of Public Concern.

In School-Related Organizations: PTO President Heather Janquart reported the PTO has raised \$16,000 during the book fair. There will be a “pajama drive” December 1 – 13. The Santa Breakfast will be December 13 from 8a.m. – 11a.m. at the Middle School. The next PTO meeting will be December 4, at 7:00p.m., in the Primary Building. Follett will be at the meeting to demonstrate its library software program.

Cathy Ralston reported that the first issue of the community newsletter “The Chalkboard” was mailed over the weekend.

Board member Carsella thanked Cathy Ralston and Steve Lanham for their efforts on the newsletter.

President Gallichio has finalized the Adopt-An-Island program. Applications are currently available in the school offices and will soon be posted on the website.

The Board discussed the Lake Sanitary District’s Bill of Sale. The Board tabled the issue until the December meeting. Concerns were raised regarding the current condition of the Fish Lake Road easement and the fencing by the lift station.

There were no questions regarding the first reading of the IASB Press Services Policy Revisions.

Motion #1 by DeVito, seconded by Pedersen to approve the proposed 2008 School District tax levy.

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

Nay: None

Board member Frank has resigned as the school district’s SEDOL Representative, Board member Kueter will be replace him.

Motion #2 by Wright, seconded by Kueter to accept the Consent Agenda (A. Minutes of October 20 School Board Meeting, B. Accounts Payable, C. 403 (B) Plan).

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

Nay: None

There were no questions regarding the Principals' Reports.

Superintendent Pazanin presented the Superintendent's Report.

A. Sports Turf Management Proposal: The Board is waiting for more information; the item was tabled until the December meeting.

B. New Teacher Mentoring: A committee met for the first session last Friday. A second session will be scheduled after the holidays.

Several of the administrators have been working on the required RTI plan and will make a presentation to the Board in January or February.

The school district has received only General State Aid revenue during the current school year; no other state or federal funds have been received.

In Miscellaneous Items: The next scheduled School Board meeting will be Monday, December 15.

School Board election packets are due January 21 – 26.

Motion #3 by Wright, seconded by Carsella to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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

Nay: None

Victoria Gallichio, President
Board of Education

Doug Pedersen, Secretary
Board of Education