

BIG HOLLOW SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2009 7:00 P.M.
BIG HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

Board Present: Bridge, Frank, Gallichio, Janquart, Kueter, Mazur, Pedersen

Board Absent: None

Administration Present: Pazanin, Arndt, Smith, Jahnke, Coolidge, Janusz, Miller

School Business Official: Hassberger

Guests: Mark Weiske, Brit Conley, Laura Malmberg, Phil Carter, Kristina Lancaster, Jodie Serrahn, Steven Lanham, Sophia Rogalevich, Mr. Repa, Kathy Gibson

In Items of Public Concern: Third grade teacher, Jeanette Provo updated the Board on the status of the Therapy Dog Program.

Mrs. Provo proposed the program “Girls On the Run”. This program is geared for girls in grades 3 – 5 and focuses on the interaction of physical activity, life lessons and positive attitude.

Steven Lanham acknowledged and thanked the Board for implementing the Strategic Planning process.

Mr. Lanham inquired about the truck that the district had discussed purchasing.

President Gallichio explained that at this time the state established program did not have funding allotted/available at this time for the Safe-Routes-To-School and that the purchase order for the truck was never issued.

Mr. Lanham inquired if the Director of Technology could address the Board and public on a monthly or quarterly basis at the School Board meetings.

In School Related Organizations: Board member Janquart informed the Board that the PTO Innesbrook Fundraiser is currently being conducted. The Back to School Bingo was a success. Any one interested in helping with Spring Zing please contact Chuck Kramer or Tammy Cernuska.

Arbor Lunch Program Representative: Brit Conly, Arbor District Manager, gave a status report on the new lunch program.

Sophia Rogalevich inquired about the variety of food options offered to the students.

President Gallichio asked for clarification on the menu's "ala Carte" items. Arbor representative Brit Conly addressed the difference of what "ala carte" items were last year and what they are with the Arbor program. Clarification will be made on the menus.

Steve Lanham inquired regarding the cost of milk which is .55 cents. Arbor representative Brit Conly explained the factors which impact the cost.

Durham Transportation Representative: Custom Care Manager Kim Frost, and Vice President of Customer Care Matthew Veach, were present to address the Board regarding transportation.

Mr. Veach addressed the Board regarding the issues the transportation company experienced at the beginning of the school year. On behalf of Durham Veach apologized to the District, Board and parents. Mr. Veach also addressed the routing issues that need to be resolved.

Sophia Rogalevich asked about the capacity of each bus. Mr. Veach stated the capacity varies per bus, but is mostly 77. Currently there are no routes over 76 students.

Board member Janquart inquired if there are cameras on each of the busses. Mr. Veach responded there are video cameras, but not on all of the busses.

One of the parents in the audience asked what is the procedure to communicate if a bus is delayed. Mr. Veach replied that the driver would radio to the school if the bus was running late coming to school and that parents would be notified if the busses were late leaving school and going home. Mr. Veach was told of instances in which the procedure was not used.

The response time of calls to parents from the Customer Care Center were discussed. Parents have been reporting they are calling and not receiving a response until days later.

President Gallichio informed Mr. Veach she is still hearing about numerous issues and that they need to be addressed.

Board member Janquart expressed her concern and stated that the bus company needs to get these issues corrected.

President Gallichio requested that the Bus Company provide the Board with a monthly report on the response time to issues.

Proposed 2009 – 2010 School Year Budget:

Motion #1 by Janquart, seconded by Kueter to accept the proposed 2009 – 2010 School Year Budget.

Aye: Janquart, Kueter, Bridge, Frank, Gallichio, Mazur, Pedersen

Nay: None

Consent Agenda: Superintendent Pazanin reported on C. Public Act 96-0434 – Administrative Salaries. As of October 1, school districts need to list all administrator's compensation on the school district's website. The collective bargaining agreement will also be listed on the school district website.

Motion #2 by Bridge, seconded by Pedersen to accept the Consent Agenda (a. Minutes of the August 17 School Board Meeting, b. Accounts Payable, c. Public Act 96-0434 – Administrative Salaries).

Aye: Bridge, Pedersen, Frank, Gallichio, Janquart, Kueter, Mazur

Nay: None

Principals' Reports: Board member Janquart asked Principal Arndt if the Board could have copies of the Assistant Principal Handbook.

Superintendent Pazanin presented the Superintendent's Report.

a. Start of School: Big Hollow School District has the largest increase of new students, 159, in the county.

Last year 219 students received free/reduced lunch. This year it is currently 252 students.

The district is currently working on the identification of students for assigned tiers for RTI.

Some of the new ELL students may need additional services.

b. Technology: The district has not received a firm number or timeline, from the Federal Government, regarding the Stimulus funding.

c. J.P. Mechanical Proposal: No action will be taken at this time. There are issues that need to be clarified.

d. IASB Press Policy Revisions-Second Reading:

Motion #3 by Janquart, seconded Kueter to approve the IASB Press Policy Revisions – Second Reading.

Aye: Janquart, Kueter, Bridge, Frank, Gallichio, Mazur, Pedersen

Nay: None

e. Strategic Planning: Strategic Planning was held on September 10 and 17. The participants worked on a school district vision and mission statement along with goals.

The Board will invite the community to continue work on the vision statement and goals. President Gallichio said future strategic planning-related meetings would be designated Committee of the Whole.

The Committee of the Whole will meet for Strategic Planning’s last two goals on Monday, September 28, at 7p.m. at the Middle School.

f. Soccer and Running Clubs: Both clubs are for grades 5 – 8. There are currently 47 students enrolled in the soccer club and 15 in the running club.

Miscellaneous: In Miscellaneous Items, Superintendent Pazanin informed the Board that the district continues to receive information regarding H1N1.

Board member Bridge requested that at the next school board meeting that Building Usage Fees be on the agenda.

Motion #4 by Kueter, seconded by Janquart of exit into closed session to discuss Personnel and Property at 8:32 p.m.

Aye: Kueter, Janquart, Bridge, Frank, Gallichio, Mazur, Pedersen

Nay: None

The Board returned to open session at 9:12 p.m.

Motion #5 by Gallichio, seconded by Kueter to hire LuAnn Sullivan as the Second Grade CCIP teacher.

Aye: Gallichio, Kueter, Bridge, Frank, Janquart, Mazur, Pedersen

Nay: None

Motion #6 by Gallichio, seconded by Janquart to approve the personnel clerk increase as discussed in closed session.

Aye: Janquart, Bridge, Frank, Kueter, Mazur, Pedersen

Nay: None

Abstain: Gallichio

Motion #7 by Bridge, seconded by Pedersen to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.
Aye: Bridge, Pedersen, Frank, Gallichio, Janquart, Kueter, Mazur
Nay: None

Victoria Gallichio, President
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