

Big Hollow School District #38 Ingleside, IL 60041

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 8, 2021

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 8, 2021.

Roll Call:

The following member were in attendance: Bennett, Cernuska, Kueter, Pedersen, Plescia

The following members were absent: Dollinger, Lyons*

The following administration was present: Gold

2. Motion to move to Closed Session:

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Plescia to move to closed session at 6:02 pm
Motion carried.

Aye: Bennett, Plescia, Kueter, Pedersen, Plescia

Nay: None

3. Resume to Open Session:

Open session began at 6:26 pm.

The following members were in attendance: Bennett, Cernuska, Kueter, Pedersen, Plescia

The following members were absent: Dollinger, Lyons

The following administration were present: Gold

4. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Added Items/Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Pedersen and seconded by Kueter to approve the agenda as written.
Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

6. Recognition of School Board Members

Big Hollow School District 38 is joining communities throughout the State to say “thank you” to local board members on November 15, 2021. The date is officially designated each year as School Board Members Day in Illinois to recognize these public servants for their commitment and contributions to our public schools.

7. Accomplishment Recognition

For the month of October, the administration would like to honor the following individuals:

- 2021 BHMS Softball Team for their undefeated season and being the Northwest Suburban Grade School Conference champions.
- Maxx Hass for receiving All-State Honors by finishing 23rd at the IESA State Cross Country Finals on October 16, 2021.
- Student of the Month: Derrick Rios, 7th Grade
- Employee of the Month: Beth Leginski, Kindergarten Teacher

8. Board Member “Code of Conduct” Review:

“I will model continuous learning and work to ensure good governance by taking advantage of board member development opportunities, such as those sponsored by my state and national school board associations, and encourage my fellow board members to do the same.”

9. Approve Consent Agenda Items:

A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Plescia to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Motion carried.

Aye: Kueter, Plescia, Pedersen, Cernuska, Bennett

Nay: None

10. Public Comments:

There were no public comments this month.

11. Superintendent’s Report:

a. HumanEx staff survey results

Svetlana Popovic, HumanEx consultant, shared a video presentation of the staff survey results that was recently completed.

b. 2020-2021 Audit Report

Mr. Gold shared a summary of the audit that was recently completed for Big Hollow SD38. One item that was noted by the audit committee was the way that we report a specific liability. We made the change last year per their request and are requesting that we made further adjustments moving forward.

A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to accept and approve the SY2020-2021 draft Audit Report as submitted.

Motion carried.

Aye: Plescia, Kueter, Bennett, Cernuska, Pedersen

Nay: None

c. 2021 School Report Card Data

The School Report Cards were reviewed and discussed during the November board meeting. There is no data to report this school year. The link to the school report cards as well as a PDF copy of the report cards for each school will be emailed to students' parents. Copies of the report cards will also be mailed home to parents who have requested not to receive electronic communication.

d. Immunization Update:

BHSD had 7 students that were not in State compliance as of October 31, 2021 (0–Primary, 0–Elementary, 7–Middle). The Illinois State Board of Education requires at least 90% compliance. As of this date, 99% of students are in compliance. A big thank you goes out to our school nurses for their work on this matter.

e. Staffing Plan Timeline

Mr. Gold shared with the board the staffing plan timeline for SY 22-23.

f. IASB Resolutions Committee Report * (Kevin Lyons entered meeting)

Vivian Kueter is our IASB Delegate for the assembly meeting that will take place on November 20, 2021. The 2021 Resolutions Committee Report was exhibited. The Board discussed resolutions that will be discussed at the meeting.

11. Other Action Items:

a. October Employment Report

A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to approve the October employment report as presented.

Motion carried.

Aye: Plescia, Kueter, Pedersen, Cernuska, Bennett, Lyons

Nay: None

b. Estimated Tax Levy for 2021

Mr. Gold recently met with the BHSD Finance Committee to review the tentative levy which he presented to the Board for review. Mr. Gold explained the tax rates and it affects each school's funding from the state. Bond payment information was also shared. A final approval of a levy will take place at the December Board meeting.

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Kueter to approve the draft proposed 2021 Certificate of Tax Levy for BHSD38
Motion carried.

Aye: Bennett, Kueter, Plescia, Cernuska, Lyons, Pedersen
Nay: None

12. Resignations Accepted:

- Accepted resignation from Beena Waugh, Primary School Paraprofessional, effective October 13, 2021.
- Accepted resignation from Nicole Maddaleni from her Primary School Lunch Monitor position, effective October 1, 2021.
- Accepted a change in retirement for Julie Castetter, 2nd Grade Teacher, from June 2023 to June 30, 2022.

13. Informational Items:

- a. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests
There were no FOIA requests for the month of October.
- b. Monthly Reports
The Monthly Administrator Report and Monthly Attendance Report were presented to the board.
- c. Meeting Agendas
The Administrator agendas and CAC meeting agenda from October were presented to the board.
- d. The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will take place on Monday, December 13, 2021.

14. Motion to move to Closed Session:

Not needed

15. Return to Open Session:

Not needed

16. Take any necessary action following closed session regarding minutes, employment of personnel, resignations, terminations or leaves of absence:

None

17. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Plescia to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.
Motion carried.

Aye: All
Nay: None

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