



**Our Mission:** *To educate, empower and engage all learners.*

**Our Vision:** *One District - One Community.*

*Growing confident, creative and conscientious learners*

## **REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Monday, January 9, 2023

6:00 p.m. Closed Session

Open Session immediately follows Closed Session

Big Hollow Middle School Cafeteria

*This board meeting can be viewed live virtually. By 6:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting, a live meeting link will be added to the following location on our website: <https://www.bighollow.us/board-of-education>.*

### **Agenda No. 7**

#### **Item 1 – Call to Order and Roll Call**

#### **Item 2 – Motion to move to Closed Session ([Board Policy 2:200](#)) (roll call vote)**

1. Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).
2. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
3. Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).

#### **Item 3 – Resume to Open Session**

#### **Item 4 – Pledge of Allegiance**

**Item 5 – Added Items/Approval of the Agenda ([Board Policy 2:220](#))**

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required**

**Item 6 – Accomplishment Recognition ([Board Policy 6:330](#))**

- For the month of December, the administration would like to honor the following individuals who have been nominated and selected by staff for the following awards:
  - **Student of the Month:** Aubrey Hopkins, 8th Grader
  - **Employee of the Month:** Martha Gonzalez and Jose Ramirez, Custodians
- BHSD 38 will recognize student athletes from Softball who received High Honors (straight A's) for the 1st Trimester.

**Item 7 – Board Member “Code of Conduct” Review**

Item #1: “I will represent all school district constituents honestly and equally and refuse to surrender my responsibilities to special interest or partisan political groups.”

**Item 8 – Approve Consent Agenda Items**

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| <b><u>Item 1</u></b>    | Approve the Closed Session Minutes of the December 12, 2022 Board Meeting to remain in closed status |
| <b><u>Exhibit 1</u></b> | Approve the Minutes of the December 12, 2022 Regular Board of Education Meeting                      |
| <b><u>Exhibit 2</u></b> | Approval of the School Treasurer’s Report for December, 2022   |
| <b><u>Exhibit 3</u></b> | Approval of Bills for December, 2022   |
| <b><u>Exhibit 4</u></b> | Approval of Activity and Convenience Fund Reports for December, 2022                                 |
| <b><u>Exhibit 5</u></b> | Approval of Payroll for December, 2022   |
| <b><u>Exhibit 6</u></b> | Approval of the Building Grounds Transportation Committee report for January 5, 2023                 |

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required (*roll call vote*)**

**Item 9 – Public Comments ([Board Policy 2:230](#))**

**Item 10 – Superintendent’s Report**

- a. **Approve a 2023-2024 field trip to Puerto Rico for the 8th grade Spanish class**

Josh Cornwell (Principal) and Annie Wahls (Spanish Teacher) will present information to the Board regarding a field trip for 2023-2024.

**Exhibit 7** outlines the details of the proposed trip.

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required (voice vote)**

**b. 8th Grade Graduation**

The 8th grade graduation will take place on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Cornwell has received feedback from students and parents as to the format for the graduation ceremony. This feedback will be shared with the Board.

**c. Approve the proposed school calendar for 2023-2024 ([Board Policy 6:20](#))**

Mr. Gold, in collaboration with BHSD administrators and union leadership, will submit the proposed school calendar for 2023-2024. The Board will need to discuss the date for the January 2024 Board meeting.

**Exhibit 8** is the proposed calendar along with other important information and dates

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required (voice vote)**

**d. Transportation update**

Christine Arndt and Jackie Laskie will provide an update on transportation staffing and how the driver shortage is having a financial impact on the transportation fund.

**e. Approve the recent Board Policy update on 2nd reading. ([Board Policy 2:240](#))**

**Exhibit 9** consists of IASB PRESS Plus policy revision recommendations from issue number 110.

**Recommendation: Approve on 2nd reading –Motion Required (voice vote)**

**Item 11 – Other Action Items**

**a. Approve the Review of Closed Session Meeting Minutes**

As per [Board Policy 2:220](#), each July and January the Superintendent is to report to the Board of Education any closed session minutes that have been closed to the public that should be released. Mr. Gold is recommending that current closed minutes should remain in closed status.

A motion is needed to keep all closed meeting minutes in closed status.

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required (voice vote)**

**b. Approve the December Employment Recommendations**

**Exhibit 10** is the employment report for the month of December, 2022

**Recommendation: Approve –Motion Required (roll call)**

### **Item 12 – Resignations Accepted**

- There were no resignations for the month of December 2022.

### **Item 13 – Informational Items**

- a. **Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests**
  - a. **Exhibit 11** FOIA Request from December 14, 2022
- b. **Monthly Reports and Agendas**
  - a. **Exhibit 12** Administrator Report
  - b. **Exhibit 13** Monthly Attendance Report
- c. **Meeting Agendas**
  - a. **Exhibit 14** Administrator meeting agenda for December 2022.
- d. **The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will take place on Monday, February 13, 2023 with closed session beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

### **Item 14 – Motion to move to closed session**

For the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal, litigation, negotiations, and property.

### **Item 15 – Return to Open Session**

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

### **Item 17 – Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn.**