

Big Hollow School District #38 Ingleside, IL 60041

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 14, 2022

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, March 14, 2022.

Roll Call:

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

The following members were absent: Lyons

The following administration was present: None

2. Motion to move to Closed Session:

A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Plescia to move to closed session at 6:01 pm
Motion carried.

Aye: Kueter, Plesica, Bennett, Dollinger, Cernuska, Pedersen

Nay: None

3. Resume to Open Session:

Open session began at 6:50 pm.

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

The following members were absent: Lyons

The following administration were present: Arndt, Biancalana, DeNovo, Hetrovicz, Janusz, McCulley, Pittman

4. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Added Items/Approval of the Agenda:

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

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

Nay: None

6. Academic Spotlight

- Middle School Math Specialist, Heather Fischer and Middle School Reading Specialist, Courtney Wegrzyn shared with board the specialists within the middle school. They detailed each of the Tiers and how they support students and staff.
- Primary and Elementary Specials and PE Teachers shared with the board their new website, which they created for parents. This allows parents an inside look into the type of educational activities that are provided to their students.

7. Accomplishment Recognition

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

- Student of the Month: Ryan Rivera, 4th Grade
- Employee of the Month: Monika Strumberger, Elementary School Paraprofessional

8. Board Member “Code of Conduct” Review:

“I will recognize that a board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a board meeting.”

9. Approve Consent Agenda Items:

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

Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

10. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

11. Superintendent’s Report:

a. Staffing Plan for 2022-2023 school year

The recommended staffing numbers for the 2022-2023 school year were exhibited, showing the addition of 3 positions (Bilingual Teacher, Math Interventionist, Social Worker)

A motion was made by Dollinger and seconded by Bennett to approve the Staffing Plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

- b. HUMANEX
Svetlana Popovic, HUMANEX Representative, detailed for the board the results of the recent Student and Parent surveys.

Kevin Lyons entered meeting at 7:24 pm

- c. Board Policy Issue 108
A motion was made by Pedersen and seconded by Kueter to approve Press Plus Issue 108 policy revisions on 2nd reading.
Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

- d. SY 21-22 Calendar Events
The following dates were shared as a reminder:
*Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.: 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony at the McHenry Outdoor Theater
*Friday, May 27, 2022: Final day of school (Pending no emergency days are utilized).
This will also be an early release day.

12. Other Action Items:

- a. February Employment Report
A motion was made by Dollinger and seconded by Kueter to approve the February 2022 employment report.
Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

13. Resignations Accepted:

- Accepted resignation of Kim Hanson, Middle School Graphic Arts Teacher, effective end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- Accepted retirement of Donna deVenecia-Kretsch, Primary School Social Emotional Counselor, effective end of the 2026-2027 school year.
- Accepted resignation of Sienna Kohlbrecher, Middle School Teacher, effective March 7, 2022.
- Accepted resignation of Chloe Kotiw, 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher, effective end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- Accepted resignation of Hannah Ball, 2nd Grade Teacher, effective end of the 2021-2022 school year.

14. Informational Items:
 - a. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests
FOIA requests from February 18, 2022 and February 28, 2022 were exhibited. No comments/questions.
 - b. Monthly Reports
The Monthly Administrator Report, Monthly Attendance Report, Administrator Meeting Agenda and CAC meeting Agenda from February 2022 were presented to the board.
 - c. The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will take place on Monday, April 11, 2022.
15. Motion to move to Closed Session:
Not needed
16. Return to Open Session:
Not needed
17. Take any necessary action following closed session regarding minutes, employment of personnel, resignations, terminations or leaves of absence:
None
18. Adjournment:
A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Kueter to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.
Motion carried.

Aye: All
Nay: None

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