

Big Hollow School District #38 Ingleside, IL 60041

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 12, 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, September 12, 2022.

Roll Call:

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

The following members were absent: None

The following administration was present: Gold

2. Motion to move to Closed Session:

A motion was made by Dollinger and seconded by Bennett to move to closed session at 6:02 pm

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

3. Resume to Open Session:

Open session began at 6:30 pm.

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

The following members were absent: None

The following administration were present: Gold, Arndt, Biancalana, Cornwell, Hetrovich, Janusz, McCulley, Pittman

4. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Conduct Hearing on the 2022-2023 Budget

A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to enter the budget hearing.

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

Mr. Gold detailed the 2022-2023 budget as presented to the board.

A motion was made by Pedersen and seconded by Dollinger to exit the budget hearing.

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

6. Added Items/Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Kueter to approve the agenda with additions to the employment report.

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

7. Board Member "Code of Conduct" Review:

"I will respectfully listen to those who communicate with the Board, seeking to understand their views, while recognizing my responsibility to represent the interests of the entire community."

8. Approve Consent Agenda Items:

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

Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

9. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

10. Superintendent's Report:

a. Introduction of new certified staff

Big Hollow SD38 new certified staff were invited to attend the board meeting to introduce themselves. Those that were available attended.

PRIMARY:

Name	Position
Veronica Contreras	Kindergarten EL Teacher

ELEMENTARY:

Name	Position
Ashley Austin	4th Grade Teacher
Marcella Drecoll	2nd Grade Teacher
Morgan George	4th Grade Teacher
William Glaser	3rd Grade Teacher
Tyler Huemann	4th Grade Teacher
Kennedy Kiesgen	SPED Teacher
Taylor Mendoza	3rd Grade Teacher
Dana Orr	2nd Grade Teacher
Brian Prosapio	K-4 Bilingual Teacher
Sulayman Qazi	4th Grade Teacher
Caitlyn Raquet	Social Worker
Evelyn Vazquez	2nd Grade Teacher

MIDDLE:

Name	Position
Sean Creagh	7th Grade Social Studies Teacher
Rachel Ford	PE/Health Teacher
Noren Hernandez	Computer Science
Allen Ostrowski	PE/Health Teacher
Megan Schak	SPED Teacher
Hailey Szydlowski	6th Grade Math Teacher
Kelsey Zak	8th Grade Math Teacher

DISTRICT:

Name	Position
Daisy Orellana	Multi-Lingual Services Facilitator

- b. Certified Employees receiving tenure status 2022-2023:
The following BHSD 38 certified employees have received tenure status beginning in the 2022-2023 school year:
- Julie Bonhotal (Speech Pathologist - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Nicole DiMaggio (Kindergarten Teacher - Big Hollow Primary School)
 - Stephanie Flade (Birth-3 Facilitator/Early Childhood Case Manager)
 - Amanda Hatfield (Early Childhood Teacher - Big Hollow Primary School)
 - Kim Jensen (Early Childhood Teacher - Big Hollow Primary School)
 - Sylvia Garcarz (7th Grade Math Teacher - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Mary Kate Lonergan (K-4 Behavior Interventionist - Big Hollow Primary and Elementary Schools)
 - Jennifer Mobus (7th Grade Social Studies - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Adrian Peyrot (6th Grade Science Teacher - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Cynthia Roller (Special Education Teacher - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Brian Summers (Assistant Principal - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Courtney Wegrzyn (Reading Specialist - Big Hollow Middle School)
 - Sarah Wheaton (1st Grade Teacher - Big Hollow Primary School)
 - Chad Ziarko (Special Education Teacher - Big Hollow Elementary School)
- c. Board Policy Update
IASB Press Plus policy revision recommendations from issue 109 were presented to the board.
Mr. Gold indicated that there were no major changes to any of the presented policies and it was recommended to approve as presented from IASB.
- A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to approve the policy revision recommendations from issue number 109 as presented on 1st reading.
Motion carried.
- Aye: All
Nay: None
- d. Special Education Parent Survey
An exhibit of the 2022 IDEA State Performance Plan Indicator 8 Item Analysis which consists of parent survey results was presented to the board. The survey was sent to all families who have students receiving special education services at BHSD38, out of approximately 200 families; 20 responded.
- e. School Resource Officer

Mr. Gold shared an update regarding recent discussions that have taken place with the Round Lake Police Department regarding the possible addition of a School Resource Officer to the Big Hollow School District Campus. Discussion included the possibility of future grant funding to support the program. The Board agreed that further negotiations with the Round Lake Police Department should be pursued to add this new position.

- f. Analysis of Enrollment
6th day enrollment numbers were presented to the board. The exhibits show a summary from SY 07-08 - present SY 22-23 as well as classroom enrollment for BHSD Primary and Elementary Schools.

11. Other Action Items:

- a. August 2022 Employment Report
A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Dollinger to approve the August 2022 employment report with the addition of:
*The employment of Jerry Kueling, 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, effective October 3, 2022.
Motion carried.

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

- b. 2022-2023 BHSD38 Return-to-School Learning Plan
A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Dollinger to approve the 2022-2023 Return-to-School Learning Plan as presented.
Motion carried.

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

- c. Natural Gas Pricing
Mr. Gold presented to the board a memo outlining a recommendation for a 4-year pricing contract. As natural gas prices continue to increase the contract shows an increase from \$0.2881 per therm to \$0.6179 per therm. It was the recommendation of the board to hold off on securing a contract at this time.

- d. Adoption of the 2022-2023 Budget
A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Dollinger to approve the

2022-2023 Annual Budget as presented during the budget hearing.
Motion carried.

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

12. Resignations Accepted:

- Accepted a resignation from Jean Lossau, Transportation Driver, effective August 5, 2022.
- Accepted a resignation from Sara Chaterjea, Title 1 Paraprofessional, effective August 7, 2022.
- Accepted a resignation from Angelica Salto Vilchez, Food Service Worker, effective August 11, 2022.

13. Informational Items:

- a. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests
There were no FOIA requests for the month of July.
- b. Monthly Reports
The Monthly Administrator Report and Administrator meeting agendas for the month of August were presented to the board.
- c. The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

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 Plescia and seconded by Kueter to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

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