

Big Hollow School District #38 Ingleside, IL 60041

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 12, 2022

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:01 p.m. on Monday December 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 Cernuska and seconded by Dollinger 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, Cornwell, McCulley

4. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Added Items/Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Kueter to approve the agenda with as presented.

Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

6. Accomplishment Recognition

*BHSD 38 recognized student athletes from Cross Country and Girls Soccer as well as members of Fine Arts that received straight A's for the 1st Trimester.

*BHSD 38 recognized members of the Grant Jr. Bulldogs football program that received a 3.5 or higher for the 1st Trimester.

For the month of November the administration honored the following individuals who have been nominated and voted upon by staff for the following awards:

- o Student of the Month: Kaiti Gardner, 8th Grader
Ms. Wilhelm, 8th Grade Girls Basketball coach nominated Kaiti for her commitment to her teammates on and off the court. Kaiti has a great work ethic and is respectful. She gives 110% effort at all practices and games.
- o Employee of the Month: Julie Dee, Middle School Choir Director
Mrs. Wegrzyn, MS Reading Specialist, nominated Julie for her excellence as an educator by creating an environment in which students feel belonging and want to learn. She shows her motivation in taking on and excelling in after school, community-building projects!

7. Board Member "Code of Conduct" Review:

Item #12: "I will strive to keep my board focused on its primary work of clarifying the district's purpose, direction and goals, and monitoring district performance."

8. Approve Consent Agenda Items:

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

Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

9. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

10. Superintendent's Report:

- a. HumanEx Data Presentation

The HumanEx staff survey results which were completed in November 2022 was exhibited, reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Gold briefly touched base on the results, pointing out the increase from last year. Any goals that are in the bottom 5 will be reviewed by the Leadership Teams and goals will be set to improve them.

b. School Resource Officer (SRO) Update

Mr. Gold provided the board with an update in the process of adding a SRO to the BHSD38 campus. Further discussions and additional work on obtaining a grant will continue.

c. Board Policy Review

Press Plus Issue 110 was reviewed. Additional guidance from our attorney on policy 4:140 will be obtained.

A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Bennett to approve Board Policy update 110 on 1st reading.

Motion carried.

Aye: all

Nay: none

11. Other Action Items:

a. Tax Levy 2022

A background summary to support the 2022 tax levy was presented. No additional questions or comments were raised.

A motion was made by Dollinger and seconded by Pedersen to approve the 2022 Certificate of Tax Levy and Resolution for BHSD38 as well as the Resolution to levy special taxes for SEDOL IMRF.

Motion carried.

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

Nay: None

b. Abatement Resolution

A resolution for abating a portion of the taxes levied for the year 2022 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2005 was exhibited.

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Dollinger to approve the abatement of a portion of taxes levied for 2022.

Motion carried.

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

- c. Dismissal Resolution
A resolution regarding the dismissal of education support personnel employee for reasons other than reduction-in-force was exhibited.
A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Bennett to approve the resolution regarding the dismissal of Monika Bruchert, education support personnel employee, for reasons other than reduction-in-force.
Motion carried.

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

- d. Substitute Teacher Compensation
A summary comparison of substitute teacher pay rates at local Districts was exhibited as well as a recommendation for new BHSD38 substitute teacher rates.
A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Plescia to approve the new rates for BHSD38 substitute teachers.
Motion carried.

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

- e. November 2022 Employment Report
A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Dollinger to approve the November 2022 employment report with the addition of Ryan Schlottman, Wrestling Coach.
Motion carried.

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

12. Resignations Accepted:

- Accepted a resignation from Vera Florov, Paraprofessional, effective December 21, 2022.

13. Informational Items:
- a. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests
A FOIA from November 21, 2022 was exhibited. No questions or comments.
 - b. Monthly Report
The Monthly Administrator Report and Monthly Attendance Report for the month of November were presented to the board.
 - c. Meeting Agendas
*Administrator meeting agenda for the month of November was exhibited.
*African American Parent Advisory Council meeting agenda from December 8, 2022 was exhibited.
No questions or comments were made.
 - d. The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will take place on Monday, January 9, 2023.
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 Cernuska and seconded by Kueter to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.
Motion carried.

Aye: All

Nay: None

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