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, April 8, 2019 at the Big Hollow Middle School Library.

   **Roll Call:**
   The following members were in attendance: Cernuska, Enters, Kueter, Lyons, Pedersen, Plescia
   The following members were absent: Mazur
   The following administration were present: Gold

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
   The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. **Motion to move to Closed Session:**
   A motion was made by Cernuska and seconded by Enters to move to closed session. Motion carried.

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

   Board member Mazur entered closed session at 6:08 p.m.

4. **Resume to Open Session:**
   Open session began at 7:04 p.m.
   The following members were in attendance: Cernuska, Enters, Kueter, Lyons, Mazur, Pedersen, Plescia
   The following members were absent: None
   The following administration were present: Gold, Arndt, Pittman, McCulley, Janusz, Hetrovicz, Whipple, Meek, Coats, Morley

5. **Added Items/Approval of the Agenda:**
   A motion was made by Mazur and seconded by Enters to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

   Aye: Mazur, Enters, Cernuska, Kueter, Lyons, Pedersen, Plescia
   Nay: None

6. **Academic Spotlight:**
   Peggy Silverblatt showcased student work from Big Hollow Elementary.

7. **Board member “Code of Conduct” Review:**
   The Board reviewed Item #4: “I will take no private action that might compromise the board or administration and will respect the confidentiality of privileged information.”
8. **Approve Consent Agenda Items:**
   A motion was made by Pedersen and seconded by Plescia to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried.

   Aye: Pedersen, Plescia, Enters, Kueter, Lyons, Mazur, Cernuska
   Nay: None

9. **Public Comments:**
   There were no public comments.

10. **Superintendent’s Report:**
    a. Monthly Board Policy review
       Sections 4:100-4:140 were reviewed.

    b. HUMANeX Ventures presentation
       HUMANeX shared how their organization can help BHSD38 in taking the next steps towards our mission of becoming a model school district. The Board gave Mr. Gold approval to move forward with this project. Mr. Gold will ask the Board to formally approve at the next meeting.

    c. 2019 Summer School Learning Opportunities
       The following summer school learning opportunities will be available on the Big Hollow campus in June and August:
       - Academic Enrichment (fee based)
         - K-8 academic enrichment for students in reading and math
       - Special Education Extended School Year (designated by IEP)
         - Based on student need
       - English Language Learner Summer Learning (invitation only)
         - Based on student need
       - 5th Grade Transition Camp (August 13-15, 2019)
         - 3-day transition camp for incoming 5th grade students as a “Welcome to Middle School” experience. Students will have the opportunity to learn and practice their schedules, learn PBIS expectations, become familiar with different technologies, and participate in teambuilding activities. There will also be opportunity for family involvement on the final day.
       - Kindergarten Transition Camp (August 15, 2019)
         - Kindergarten students and parents will be invited to attend on Thursday, August 15th from 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Bus transportation will be provided for all students and parents.

    d. Modified School Calendar
       In October of 2018, Mr. Gold had a discussion with the Citizen’s Advisory Council (CAC) regarding the possibility of pursuing the idea of a modified school calendar in the future. The CAC saw several positive aspects of exploring this option. Mr. Gold asked the Board for direction as to if/how we should proceed in further discussions regarding a school calendar that would look much different than what our traditional school calendar looks like. The
Board was not necessarily interested at this time. Further discussions would be needed with Grant and the other feeder districts.

e. Discussion on possible future annexation with the Village of Volo
Mr. Gold presented his recent discussions with the Village of Volo regarding their desire to extend their current municipal water supply (Lake Michigan water) along Fish Lake Road and Molidor Road to the Board. The Village of Volo is asking for a letter of support from Big Hollow School District 38 stating that there is a possibility of future annexation. The Board discussed whether or not they wish to provide a letter of support for the project and decided to move forward with the letter. They did ask Mr. Gold to make adjustments to the final paragraph of the draft letter that was provided.

f. ISBE Audit updates
Christine Arndt provided the Board with an update on recent audits and reviews completed by the Illinois State Board of Education for our School Nutrition Program and Lake County Regional Office of Education for Professional Development.

g. Summer office hours
All buildings will be open Monday-Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Staff will be in the offices each Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., but the offices will be open to the public by appointment only.

11. Other Action Items:
a. Approve the hiring of Dr. Venette Biancalana as the Principal of Big Hollow Elementary School effective July 1, 2019.
A motion was made by Enters and seconded by Kueter to hire Dr. Venette Biancalana as the Principal of Big Hollow Elementary School effective July 1, 2019.
Motion carried.

Aye: Enters, Kueter, Lyons, Mazur, Pedersen, Plescia, Cernuska
Nay: None

b. Approve the March Employment Recommendations
A motion was made by Pedersen and seconded by Mazur to approve the March Employment Report.
Motion carried.

Aye: Pedersen, Mazur, Lyons, Plescia, Cernuska, Enters, Kueter
Nay: None

c. Approve E-rate service agreement with Net56 to supply internet access to the BHSD38 campus.
A motion was made by Mazur and seconded by Enters to approve the E-rate service agreement with Net56.
Motion carried.

Aye: Mazur, Enters, Pedersen, Plescia, Cernuska, Kueter, Lyons
d. Approve the bus lease agreement for 2019

BHSD 38 is nearing the end of its current lease agreement for the bus fleet that is in use at this time. The suggested agreement for a new lease agreement was exhibited. The following is a list of details regarding this lease agreement:

- 19 one-year old 2019 71-passenger buses
- 4 new 2019 Chevy Starcraft 28-passenger buses
- All buses will be fueled by gas, which is a switch from the previously leased diesel buses.
- The lease is a 3-year agreement.
- A maintenance agreement is included in the lease of each bus.

The Board expressed they would like to see cameras and GPS devices on all buses and vans. A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to approve the lease agreement provided by Santander Bank.

Motion carried.

Aye: Plescia, Kueter, Pedersen, Cernuska, Enters, Lyons, Mazur
Nay: None

e. Approve the resolution authorizing the engagement of a licensed real estate broker to sell real property

Mr. Gold explained the process of selling the Rt. 12 property.

A motion was made by Enters and seconded by Cernuska to approve the resolution authorizing the engagement of a licensed real estate broker to sell real property.

Aye: Enters, Cernuska, Plescia, Kueter, Lyons, Mazur, Pedersen
Nay: None

12. Resignations Accepted:

- Accepted a resignation from Kelsey Zak as 8th Grade Math Teacher effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

13. Informational Items:

a. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Requests

A FOIA request that was submitted on March 26, 2019 was exhibited. Mr. Gold explained the request.

b. Monthly Reports for the Board

The Administrator, Meal Program, Attendance and Discipline Reports were presented.

c. Administrator Meeting Agendas

The March Administrator meeting agenda was exhibited.

d. Board meetings from June – August will be conducted with closed session starting at 6:00 p.m. and with open session starting immediately following.
e. The Board needs to schedule a Special Board Meeting before April 30, 2019 to re-organize the Board.
The Special Board meeting will be scheduled for April 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

f. The next meeting will be a Special Board Meeting on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
and the next regularly scheduled Board meeting will take place on Monday, May 13, 2019
with closed session beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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.
Motion carried.

Aye: Cernuska, Kueter, Enters, Lyons, Mazur, Pedersen, Plescia
Nay: None