Big Hollow School District #38 Ingleside, IL 60041

SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:
A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:06 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2020.

Roll Call:
The following members were in attendance: Enters, Kueter, Lyons, Mazur, Pedersen, Plescia
The following members were absent: Cernuska
The following administration was present: Gold, Arndt, Biancalana, Hetrovicz, Janusz, King, McCulley, Pittman

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

3. Public Comments:
No public comments were received.

4. Approve a return-to-school model as presented by administration:
Mr. Gold shared a slide presentation outlining the return to school model.
* Priorities in bringing students onsite: safety, meeting the needs of students and families, high quality instruction while maintaining fiscal solvency
* Decision-Making Guidance: Lake County Health Department Metrics indicating that we are able to meet the requirements for some in person learning was explained
* COVID-19 Exclusion Guidance: IDPH chart was shared to show the details on when to quarantine and the steps to follow is someone should show symptoms
* Logistical Obstacles: some of the most concerning obstacles that needed to be overcome were detailed
* Readiness Decision Tree: a chart showing how Illinois is in Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois reopening plan which allows for some in person face to face learning
* Blended-Hybrid 2.0: the instruction model was presented showing both the guidance for hybrid and elearning. As well as sample schedules for Primary/Elementary and Middle School students.
* Health/Safety Factors: what safety precautions are being implemented were shared with board. As well as cleaning and disinfecting steps, safe air filtration systems, COVID testing and self certification requirements.
* Logistics: Transportation is one of the biggest challenges. We will encourage families to drive their students to and from school, limited bus seating will be available.
* Next Steps: a timeline for implementing the blended-hybrid model was shared showing each grades levels anticipated return to school date.
The board would like the administration to work together to make bus transportation safer, with
the addition of temperature checks being completed as students get on the buses. As well as more focus on providing quality instruction for remote learners.

A motion was made by Mazur and seconded by Enters to accept the return-to-school model as presented.
Motion carried.

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

5. Approve a recommendation to suspend Board Policy 4:110 for the 2020-2021 school year
It was presented to the board to suspend Board Policy 4:110 Transportation, this policy indicates that the District shall provide free transportation for any student in the District…
A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Pedersen to approve the motion to suspend Board Policy 4:110 for the 2020-2021 school year.
Motion carried.

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

6. Other Action Items
A motion was made by Kueter and seconded by Mazur to approve the employment of Melissa McMillan, Bus Driver, effective September 29, 2020.
Motion carried.

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

7. Resignations Accepted:
   - Accepted resignation from Kimbery Yates, Bus Driver, effective September 13, 2020.
   - Accepted resignation from Mitchell Coats, Middle School Paraprofessional, effective October 9, 2020.

8. Adjournment:
A motion was made by Plescia and seconded by Kueter to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.
Motion carried.

Aye: All
Nay: None