

AGENDA
PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room
Thursday, January 22, 2015
6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Call to order by President Sokolowski

Closed Session

The Board of Trustees will convene in closed session to discuss matters authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et. seq., including, but not limited to the following sections and purposes:

- A. Discuss Performance of District Administration.
- B. Discuss Superintendent Evaluation.
- C. Discuss Superintendent Contract.
- D. Discuss Board Self-Evaluation Instrument.
- E. Discussion for the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.071)
- F. Discussion of purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.072)
- G. Discussion of prospective gift or donation to the District if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Board's position in negotiations with a third person. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.073)
- H. Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- I. Investments. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.075)
- J. Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.076)
- K. Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.082)
- L. Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.083)
- M. Excluding witnesses from a hearing. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.084)
- N. Telephone consultation with the Board's attorney. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.129)

O. Discussion or adoption of individual assessment instruments or assessment instrument items. (Education Code Sect. 39.030(a))

The Board of Trustees will reconvene in open session for action to be taken on closed session items.

Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Palestine ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Palestine ISD will be held January 22, 2015, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room, 1007 East Park Avenue, Palestine, Texas 75801.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. ROUTINE BUSINESS

- A. Call to Order by President Sokolowski
- B. First Order of Business - Announcement by the Chairman as to the presence of a quorum, that the meeting has been duly called and that notice of the meeting has been posted in the time and manner required.
- C. Invocation - Jordan Hobbs - Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- D. Pledges of Allegiance - KEY Class - Northside Primary
- E. Spotlight
 - 1. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians"
 - a. Stacy Kolander and Luis Ferretiz
 - 2. Recognition of PHS Students of the Month
 - a. Sarah Coleman and Rigo Serralde
 - 3. Recognition of Palestine ISD Board of Trustees in Observance of School Board Appreciation Month

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment portion of each board meeting shall be used as a forum for the public or employees to present items of information to the Board of Education. We are doing this to be responsive to the community. Due to the confidentiality provision contained in the Texas Public Information Act, Family Education Rights to Privacy Act and other state and federal laws, no speaker will be allowed to demean employees of the school district or discuss students. Each speaker that is recognized shall limit the presentation to five minutes. A delegation of five or more persons shall appoint one person to present their view to the Board. Due to a possible violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board shall make no response.

3. CLOSED MEETING STATEMENT

IF, DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING, DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA SHOULD BE HELD IN A CLOSED MEETING, THE BOARD WILL CONDUCT A CLOSED MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TX. GOV'T CODE, CHAPTER 551.146, SUBCHAPTERS D AND E. BEFORE ANY CLOSED MEETING IS CONVENED, THE PRESIDING OFFICER WILL PUBLICLY IDENTIFY THE SECTION OR SECTIONS OF THE ACT AUTHORIZING THE CLOSED MEETING. ALL FINAL VOTES, ACTIONS, OR DECISIONS WILL BE TAKEN IN OPEN MEETING.

4. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

A. Financial Report

B. Consider Approval of 2013-2014 Financial Audit Report by Smith, Lambright, and Associates, P.C.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2014

B. Bills Paid for December, 2014

C. Financial Report

D. Monthly Investment Report

E. Tax Collection Report

F. Budget Amendments

G. Donations

H. Innovative Course in Cosmetology Education

6. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

A. Public Hearing to Discuss Texas Academic Performance Report for 2013-14

B. Consider Approval of Junior High/High School Course Guide for 2015-16

7. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Consider Approval of Policy Update 101, Affecting Local Policies:

BE(LOCAL): Board Meetings

CH(LOCAL): Purchasing and Acquisition

DGBA(LOCAL): Personnel-Management Relations - Employee Complaint/Grievances

EB(LOCAL): School Year

FFG(LOCAL): Student Welfare- Child Abuse and Neglect

FMG(LOCAL): Student Activities-Travel

FNG(LOCAL): Student Rights and Responsibilities - Student And Parent Complaints/Grievances

GF(LOCAL): Public Complaints

B. Consider Approval of Policy GKA (Local) Revision

Community Relations
Conduct on School Premises

C. Consider Approval of Policy CH (Local) Resolution
Purchasing and Acquisition

8. PERSONNEL

A. Consider Hiring of Professional Personnel

B. Consider Superintendent's Evaluation

C. Consider Superintendent's Contract

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Discuss and Consider Legislative Priorities for the 84th Texas Legislative
Session

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment Report

B. Calendar of Events

C. Election Update

D. TASA Midwinter Conference - Austin, Texas - January 25 - 28, 2015

E. Any Other Updates

11. ADJOURNMENT