

AGENDA
PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room
Monday, March 24, 2014
6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Call to order by President Hobbs

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 Administrators and Teachers.
- B. Discuss Contracts of District Administrators and Teachers.
- C. Discuss District Team of 8 Goals for 2014.
- D. Discuss QSCB and/or Renovation of District Facilities.
- E. Discuss the Acquisition of Real Property.
- F. 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)
- G. Discussion of purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.072)
- H. 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)
- I. Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- J. Investments. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.075)
- K. Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.076)
- L. Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.082)
- M. 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)
- N. Excluding witnesses from a hearing. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.084)

O. Telephone consultation with the Board's attorney. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.129)

P. 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 March 24, 2014, 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 Hobbs
- 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 - Reverend Woody Meredith - First Presbyterian Church
- D. Pledges of Allegiance - Southside Elementary Students
- E. Spotlight
 - 1. Recognition of Ladycat Basketball Team Members for All-State Awards
 - 2. Recognition of Ladycat Powerlifting Team
 - 3. Recognition of Soccer Team Members for All-State Awards
 - 4. Recognition of Palestine High School Choir
 - 5. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians" for the Month
 - a. February, 2014: Kiare Jackson and Alex Wehling
 - b. March, 2014: Shannon Smalley and Sam Snyder
 - 6. Recognition of Palestine High School Students of the Month
 - a. February, 2014: Abigail Earle and Jaren Crist
 - b. March, 2014: Natalie Dickerson and Parker Hamon

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

5. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2014

B. Bills Paid for February, 2014

C. Financial Report

D. Monthly Investment Report

E. Tax Collection Report

F. Budget Amendments

G. Donations

H. Roth 403b and 457 Plan Agreement for Employees

I. 2014-15 Local Textbook Adoption

J. Certification of EMAT System for 2014-2015 Textbook Order

K. Out of State Field Trip for Palestine High School Choir

6. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

A. First Read of District Goals for 2014-2015

7. PERSONNEL

A. Consider Approval of Renewals, Non-renewals, and Terminations of Contracts for Professional Personnel

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider Nomination for TASB Media Honor Roll

B. Consider Approval of Internet Safety Guidelines for Palestine ISD

C. Certification of Unopposed Candidates for May 10, 2014 Board of Trustees

Election

D. Cancellation of May 10, 2014 Board of Trustees Election

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment Report

B. April-May Activities

C. Texas Association of School Boards - Summer Leadership Institute Dates

1. San Antonio - June 19-21, 2014

2. Fort Worth - June 26-28, 2014

D. Any Other Updates

10. ADJOURNMENT