

AGENDA
PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room
Monday, March 25, 2013
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 Teachers.
- B. Discuss Contracts of District Teachers.
- C. Discuss Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation.
- D. Discuss Performance Goals for 2013.
- 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 March 25, 2013, 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 Bruce Hay - First United Methodist Church
- D. Pledges of Allegiance - A.M. Story Intermediate Students
- E. Spotlight
 - 1. Recognition of A.M. Story Intermediate 4th Grade Language Arts Teachers
 - 2. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians" for the Month
 - a. February, 2013: Caitlyn Morrow and Walter Sheridan
 - b. March, 2013: Emily Salas and Tyler Perkins
 - 3. Recognition of PHS Students of the Month
 - a. February, 2013: Elizabeth Ruiz and Caleb Ellison
 - b. March, 2013: Gabrielle Dantin and Caleb Lawson

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. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

5. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

- A. Financial Report
- B. Discuss Bank Depository
- C. Health Insurance Rates for 2013-2014

6. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2013
- B. Bills Paid for February, 2013
- C. Financial Report
- D. Monthly Investment Report
- E. Tax Collection Report
- F. Budget Amendments
- G. Donations
- H. Expedited Waiver for Foreign Exchange Students
 - I. Staff Development Waiver for 2013-2014
 - J. Certification of EMAT System for 2013-2014 Textbook Order

7. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

- A. Consider Policy Update 96, Affecting Local Policies:
 - DEC (Local): Compensation and Benefits - Leave and Absences
 - EFAA (Local): Instructional Materials - Selection and Adoption
 - FEB (Local): Attendance - Attendance Accounting

8. PERSONNEL

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

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consider Nomination for TASB Media Honor Roll

B. Discussion of Soccer Complex

C. Consider Approval of 2013-2015 Technology Plan

10. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Enrollment Report

B. April-May Activities

C. Texas Association of School Boards - Summer Leadership Institute

1. SLI Fort Worth - June 13-15, 2013

D. Any Other Updates

11. **ADJOURNMENT**