

AGENDA
PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room
Monday, April 15, 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 Professional Staff. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- B. Discuss Contracts of Professional Staff. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- C. Teacher Term Contract Proposed Nonrenewal. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- D. 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)
- E. Discussion of purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.072)
- F. 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)
- G. Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- H. Investments. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.075)
- I. Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.076)
- J. Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.082)
- K. 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)
- L. Excluding witnesses from a hearing. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.084)

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

N. 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 April 15, 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 - Pastor Jay Abernathy - First Baptist Church
- D. Pledges of Allegiance - Northside Primary Students
- E. Spotlight
 - 1. Recognition of Palestine High School Choir Students
 - 2. Recognition of Palestine High School Band Students
 - 3. Recognition of Youth & Government Students
 - 4. Recognition of Robotics Team
 - 5. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians" of the Month
 - a. Hanna Diaz and William Rogers
 - 6. Recognition of PHS Students of the Month
 - a. Christina Evangelista and Willis Foley

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 COVERED BY THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHOULD DETERMINE THAT A CLOSED MEETING OR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IS REQUIRED, THE BOARD WILL CONDUCT A CLOSED MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS. GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551.001, 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. Update on YMCA Soccer Complex Agreement

5. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2013
- B. Bills Paid for March, 2013
- C. Financial Report
- D. Monthly Investment Report
- E. Tax Collection Report
- F. Budget Amendments
- G. Donations

6. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

- A. Consider Approval of Summer School Programs
- B. Curriculum and Technology Demonstration

7. PERSONNEL

- A. Consider Approval of Hiring Professional Personnel
- B. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Teacher Contract Renewals
- C. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Teacher Term Contract Proposed Nonrenewal

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consider Approval of Judges and Alternate Judges for Board of Trustees Election to be Held on Saturday, May 11, 2013
- B. Consider Approval of Early Voting Election Personnel
- C. Consider Approval of Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment Report

B. End of Year Activities Update

C. Update on Texas 83rd Legislative Session

D. Board of Trustees Election Update

E. Update on Board Member Training Opportunities

F. Any Other Updates

10. ADJOURNMENT