



BOARD NOTES

A Summary of the July 17, 2017 Palestine ISD Board of Trustees Meeting

Pledges of allegiance were recited to the American and Texas flags.

Financial Update

David Atkeisson, Chief Financial Officer, presented a brief financial update.

2017-2018 Budget Workshop

David Atkeisson, Chief Financial Officer, presented a workshop on 2017-2018 budget planning. A general fund 199 budget in the amount of \$29,804,236 million is projected for the coming year. The district does not anticipate the need for a tax rate increase, or an increase in meal prices for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Atkeisson informed that the Board that the district will hold a public hearing prior to the regular meeting on August 21, 2017 to allow for public comment regarding the 2017-2018 budget and tax rate.

Consent Items Approved

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 19, 2017 (Pulled for correction. Will be placed on next agenda.)
- Minutes of the Called Meeting of July 5, 2017
- Bills paid for June, 2017
- Financial Report
- Monthly Investment Report
- Tax Collection Report
- Donations: None
- Anderson County Appraisal District 2018 Proposed Budget
- 2017-2018 Student/Parent Mobile Device Handbook and Agreement and Responsible Use Guidelines

Campus Start and End Times

Tammy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, reviewed the following campus daily start and stop times for 2017-2018 (End of day extended from 3:25 to 3:35 at PHS and PJHS)

High School	8:00-3:35
Junior High	8:00-3:35
Story	8:00-3:20
Southside	7:45-3:00
Northside	7:45-3:00
Washington	8:00-3:00

Report on College and Career Readiness

Chris Kiser, Director of College and Career Readiness, presented information for the district’s dual credit and career classes during the 2016-2017 school year. 206 students enrolled in Dual Credit classes during the 2016-2017 school year. The projected number for the 2017-2018 school year is 220. Student dual credit enrollment has more than doubled since the 2014-15 school year.

- Dual Credit/Career Statistics for 2016-2017:
- College hours earned by the senior class - 2,833
- College courses completed for credit- 876
- Seniors completing at least one college class - 71
- Seniors earning core complete status - 43
- Seniors earning an associate’s degree – 5
- Seniors who completed at least 20 hours of college – 55
- Seniors who completed at least 30 hours of college – 52
- Seniors who completed at least 40 hours of college – 40
- Seniors who completed at least 50 hours of college – 31
- Seniors who completed at least 60 hours of college - 5
- Industrial Certifications earned by the Senior class - 200
- Seniors earning industry recognized certifications – 96

New for 2017-2018 College and Career Readiness Program:
PHS has submitted paperwork to become a state testing site for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program. (Waiting on final state inspection.)

Real Life Financial Math, a one year online high school advanced math course has been added to PHS course offerings for 2017-2018. The course covers reality based math, critical thinking, and financial logic.

15 students completed the interview process and are now enrolled in the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) class. Students will receive 8 college hours through Trinity Valley Community College (TVCC) once the course is complete, and then students will be eligible to take the state/national EMT exam.

Policy Update 108

Suzanne Eiben, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided information regarding Policy Update 108 revisions. The Board approved the adoption of Policy Update 108 revisions as presented, affecting local policies EF, EFA, EFAA, EHDB, EIF, EL, and GKB.

Personnel Approved

Haygood, Lisa	Theatre Arts	Palestine Junior High School
Mack, Tobin	Director of Nurses	Palestine High School
Ratliff, Traci	Assistant Principal	Palestine Junior High School
Ruiz, Elizabeth	KEY	Northside Primary
Thompson, Margret	4 th Grade	A.M. Story Intermediate

TASA/TASB Delegate Assembly

The Board appointed a delegate and alternate delegate to serve at the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Delegate Assembly on Saturday, October 7, 2017 in Dallas, Texas.

Dyna Tutt – Delegate

Kurt Herrington - Alternate Delegate

Reflection on Summer Leadership Institute

The Board discussed the TASB Summer Leadership Institute they attended in Fort Worth during the month of June.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Jason Marshall reported on the following:

The first special session of the 85th Texas Legislature will begin Tuesday, July 18, 2017. Superintendent Marshall shared that he and other school superintendents had recently met with Texas Representative Byron Cook and Senator Robert Nichols to express public school concerns.

July/August Events:

- Special school board meeting for Team Building and a Legislative Update to be held in Fall 2017
- Called meeting – July 27, 2017, 12:00 PM
- Convocation – August 8, 2017, 8:30 AM
- Student extracurricular programs - Begin August 7, 2017
- New Teacher Orientation - August 7, 2017, 7:30 AM - Story Library
- PISD In-service/Staff Development - Mon-Fri, August 8-11, 2017/Mon-Tues, August 14-15, 2017
- First Day of School for Students – August 16, 2017
- Next Board Meeting – August 21, 2017