

**AGENDA**  
**PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room**  
**Thursday, February 20, 2020**  
**CLOSED SESSION**  
**6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**Closed Session will be held from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.**

**The Regular Meeting that includes Recognition of Students will begin at 7:00 p.m.**  
**(See page 3 for Regular Meeting Agenda)**

**Call Closed Session to order by President Bennett**  
**The Board will Convene into Closed Session for discussion of the following items:**

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. Discussion of Performance of District Administrators and Teachers.
- B. Discussion of New Youth Sports Organization.
- C. Discussion of Superintendent/Team of Eight Goals for 2020.
- D. Update on Student Accident.
- E. Update on Construction Lawsuit.
- F. Update on Athletic/Welding Shop Construction.
- G. 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)
- H. Discussion of purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.072)
- I. 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)
- J. Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.074)
- K. Investments. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.075)

- L. Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.076)
- M. Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.082)
- N. 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)
- O. Excluding witnesses from a hearing. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.084)
- P. Telephone consultation with the Board's attorney. (Tex. Govt. Code Sect. 551.129)
- Q. 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 February 20, 2020, 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 Bennett
- 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 James Warren - Palestine Church
- D. Pledge of Allegiance - Northside Primary Students

### 2. SPOTLIGHT

- A. Recognition of Baze Chemical for Student Meals Donation
- B. Recognition of PHS Girls' Basketball Team
- C. Recognition of PHS Boys' Basketball Team
- D. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians"
  - 1. Morgan Shiflet and Easton Musil
- E. Recognition of PHS Students of the Month
  - 1. Alexis Rodriguez and Christian Hutchinson
- F. Recognition of Barbara Dutton, Northside Primary Principal, for being named TEPSAN OF THE YEAR (Texas Elementary Principal and Supervisor of the Year)
- G. Resolution in Support of Texas Public Schools 2020

### 3. 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 three 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.

**4. 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.

**5. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

A. Financial Report

B. Consider Approval of Financial Audit for School Year Ending August 31, 2019

**6. CONSENT ITEMS**

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 23, 2020

B. Minutes of the Called Meeting of February 10, 2020

C. Financial Report

D. Bills Paid for January, 2020

E. Monthly Investment Report

F. Tax Collection Report

G. Budget Amendments

H. Donations

I. Investment Policies Review

J. Palestine ISD Police Department Racial Profiling Report

**7. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES**

A. Consider Approval of 2020-2021 School Calendar

B. Consider Approval of PJHS Course Guide for 2020-2021

C. Consider Approval of PHS Course Guide and GPA Revisions for 2020-2021

D. Campus Report Provided by A.M. Story Intermediate

E. Winter Academic/Professional Development Report

**8. PERSONNEL**

A. Consider Approval of Renewals/Extensions of Administrators' Contracts

B. Consider Hiring of Professional Personnel

**9. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

A. Discuss and Consider the Formation (in Principle) of a New Youth Sports Organization in Cooperation with Westwood ISD and the City of Palestine

**10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Enrollment Report

B. Calendar of Events

C. March-April Activities

1. Celebrate Texas Public Schools

2. High School District One-Act Play: March 6, 2020

3. Spring Break: March 16-20, 2020

4. Good Friday Holiday for Staff & Students: April 10, 2020

D. Called Meeting for District Planning: Monday, March 2, 2020

E. Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, March 26, 2020 (Moved from Regular Monday due to Spring Break)

F. SB 1566 Trustee Training (Required)

G. Team Building Training (Required)

H. TASB Summer Leadership Institute Dates

San Antonio - June 17-20, 2020

Fort Worth - June 24-27, 2020

I. Any Other Updates

**11. ADJOURNMENT**