

Regular Meeting  
Monday, May 11, 2020 5:00 PM

Palestine ISD Administration Office  
1007 East Park Avenue  
Palestine, Texas 75801

## **Agenda**

### **1. VIRTUAL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Notice is hereby given that on May 11, 2020, the Board of Trustees of the Palestine Independent School District will hold a Regular Meeting beginning at 5:00 PM. Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by telephone call. At least a quorum of the Board will be participating by telephone call in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the governor. Members of the public may access this meeting by using the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9639348316?pwd=SHFyMVMrZkR1UHAXcnczeXlnTFZQZz09>

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on May 8, 2020 at 12:00 PM. An electronic copy of the agenda has been posted on the district's website [www.palestineschools.org](http://www.palestineschools.org). The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed on the agenda which is made a part of this notice. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

Those individuals desiring to make a public comment can sign up by calling 903-731-8000 until 4:30 PM the day of the meeting.

### **2. 5:00 PM - CALL VIRTUAL MEETING TO ORDER**

2.A. Roll Call to Determine a Quorum

2.B. Announcements by the Chairman

2.B.1. As we would at any in person meeting, members of the public who have followed the instructions on the meeting notice for registering to speak during public comment portion will be unmuted for 5 minutes to speak. If the speaker submitted written comments in advance, the Palestine ISD Board Secretary will read the comments into record before or during the board's consideration of that item. If you would like to provide comment at a meeting conducted by videoconference or telephone call, please follow instructions on the meeting notice.

2.B.2. Although members of the board are not gathered in a central, physical location, we do have a quorum in attendance at this meeting by telephone call.

2.B.3. We are meeting by use of Zoom software application which allows two-way communication for members of the public.

2.B.4. If you have any questions about these suspended laws, please call the Office of the Attorney General at 888.672.6787 or by email at [TOMA@oag.texas.gov](mailto:TOMA@oag.texas.gov).

2.B.5. This software application allows for 100 people to view and interact at a time. We apologize in advance for any unforeseeable difficulties and ask for your patience as we navigate unprecedented conditions.

2.B.6. An audio recording of this meeting is being made and will be available to the public at a later date.

2.B.7. All other meeting procedures will adhere to board-adopted procedures to the extent practicable.

### **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.

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#### **4. 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.

#### **5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- 5.A. COVID-19 Coronavirus Update
- 5.B. Year-Ending Procedures
- 5.C. Staff Appreciation Parade
- 5.D. Summer School Plans

#### **6. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

- 6.A. Financial Report
- 6.B. Consider Technology Purchase

#### **7. CONSENT ITEMS**

- 7.A. Minutes of Virtual Regular Meeting of April 13, 2020
- 7.B. Minutes of Virtual Called Meeting of April 27, 2020
- 7.C. Bills Paid for April, 2020
- 7.D. Financial Report
- 7.E. Monthly Investment Report
- 7.F. Tax Collection Report
- 7.G. Donations

#### **8. PERSONNEL**

- 8.A. Consider Approval of Hiring Professional Personnel

**9. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

9.A. Discuss and Consider High School Graduation Ceremony

9.B. Discuss Election of Board Officers

**10. ADJOURNMENT**