

**AGENDA**  
**PALESTINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Palestine ISD Administrative Offices Board Room**  
**Monday, November 14, 2016**  
**6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

Call to order by President Sepulveda

**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. Discussion of District of Innovation.
- B. Discussion of potential full partnership with Trinity Valley Community College.
- C. Discussion of Charter School Start-up Grant.
- D. Discussion of Right to Carry at Board Meetings.
- 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 November 14, 2016, 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 Sepulveda
- 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 David English - Southside Baptist Church
- D. Pledges of Allegiance - Southside Elementary Students
- E. Spotlight
  - 1. Recognition of Gabino Gonzalez for GEM of the Year Award
  - 2. Recognition of Palestine Wildcat Marching Band
  - 3. Recognition of Palestine High School Cross Country Teams
  - 4. Recognition of PHS Fall Tennis Teams
  - 5. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians" for the Month
    - a. Kristi Klauser and Nickolas Williamson
  - 6. Recognition of Palestine High School Students of the Month
    - a. Jackie Rubalcava and Aaron Jackson

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

A. Financial Update

**5. CONSENT ITEMS**

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 24, 2016

B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 7, 2016

C. Bills Paid for October, 2016

D. Financial Report

E. Monthly Investment Report

F. Tax Collection Report

G. Budget Amendments

H. Donations

I. 2016-2017 Legal Services Retainer Agreement with Walsh, Gallegos, Russo, & Kyle, P.C., Attorneys at Law

**6. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES**

A. Southside Elementary Campus Presentation

**7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

A. Review of 2017 Texas Legislative Session Priorities for Anderson County Public School Districts

B. Review District of Innovation Plan

1. Discuss and Consider Intent to Publicly Post DOI Plan for 30 Required Days

C. Discuss District's Intent to Apply for Federal Charter School Grant

D. Discuss and Consider Right to Carry at Board Meetings

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Enrollment Report

B. Calendar of Events

C. Thanksgiving Activities

D. Thanksgiving Turkey Distribution (Wednesday, November 16)

E. Retention Incentive Distribution

F. Any Other Updates

9. **ADJOURNMENT**