

Notice of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Palestine ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Palestine ISD will be held Monday, October 18, 2021, at the Palestine ISD Administration Office, 1007 East Park Avenue, Palestine, Texas 75801.

5:30 PM – The Board of Trustees will meet in Executive Session (Closed to Public).

6:00 PM – Regular Meeting will begin.

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.

Agenda

1. **5:30 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION - Closed to Public**

The Board will convene in Executive/Closed session as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter §551, under one or more of Texas Government sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.083, 551.084, 551.089, 551.129 and/or one or more sections 418.175-418.181. No action will be taken in Executive/Closed Session.

A. Discussion of Personnel Matters.

2. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

A. Take any action, if needed, regarding Executive/Closed Session items.

3. **6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING**

4. **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

A. Call to Order by President Stanley Sokolowski

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

D. Pledge of Allegiance to American and Texas Flags

5. **SPOTLIGHT**

A. Recognition of "Junior Rotarians" for the Month

1. Sydney Veneris and Adedoyin Adedeji

B. Recognition of Students of the Month

1. Abby Armstrong and Luke James

C. Recognition of County and Local Health Officials for Guidance Throughout COVID-19 Pandemic

6. 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.

7. 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, concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by section §551.071 through §551.084, or Texas Government Code section §418.183. 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.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Student Enrollment

B. Extracurricular Activities

1. Current Sports Update

a. Volleyball Bi-District Game

b. Regional Cross Country Competition @ SHSU: Monday, October 25, 2021

c. Fine Arts Update

1. Band Fall Concert in PHS Auditorium: Tuesday, October 26, 2021, 6:00 PM

2. All Region Choir Contest @ Whitehouse: Saturday, October 23, 2021

3. Band UIL 4-A Area C Open Class Marching Championships @ Lindale: Saturday, October 30, 2021

4. PISD Theatre Arts Production of Peter Pan in PHS Auditorium: Thursday-Friday, November 18-19, 2021

C. Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

1. Regular Board Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021, 6:00 PM

2. Legislative Update: TBD

D. Anderson County General Election: Tuesday, November 2, 2021

The following three PISD facilities will have an area utilized as a polling location:

1. Washington Early Childhood Center

2. Palestine High School

3. Palestine ISD Administration Office

E. Calendar of Events

1. End 2nd Six Weeks: Friday, November 5, 2021

2. Student Holiday/Staff Development: Monday, November 8, 2021

3. Drive-Thru Turkey Distribution for PISD Employees: Tuesday, November 16, 2021

F. Any Other Updates

9. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

A. Financial Report

B. Public Hearing to discuss Palestine ISD 2020-2021 Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) District Status

C. Report on Delinquent Property Tax Collections From McCreary, Veselka, Bragg, and Allen, P.C., Attorneys at Law

10. CONSENT ITEMS

All items within the "Consent Agenda" will be acted on at one time, unless a member of the Board requests that an item be removed from the "Consent Agenda" and voted upon separately.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2021
- B. Bills Paid for September, 2021
- C. Financial Report
- D. Monthly Investment Report
- E. Tax Collection Report
- F. Donations
- G. Bilingual/ESL Program Evaluation Annual Report (2021)
- H. Class Size Ratios Information

11. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

- A. Drug Testing Report
- B. Consider Hiring of Professional Personnel

12. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

- A. Public Relations Update
- B. Education Foundation Report

13. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

- A. Fall Academic Report
- B. Review of Fall Staff Development Days
- C. Report on Fall Parent Conferences & Report Card Pick-Ups

14. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consider Appointment of PISD Trustee to serve as Anderson County Appraisal District Representative for the 2022-2023 Term

15. ADJOURNMENT

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on October 14, 2021 at 4:30 PM on the district's website www.palestineschools.org and on the front window at the Palestine ISD Administration Office, 1007 East Park Avenue, Palestine, Texas 75801.

Lisa Edge (For the Board of Trustees)


