

# Minutes of Emergency Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Palestine ISD

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The Board of Trustees of the Palestine Independent School District met for an Emergency Meeting on March 17, 2020 at 6:30 PM, at the Palestine ISD Administrative Offices, 1007 East Park Avenue, Palestine, Texas 75801.

Members present: Michael Bennett, President  
Kurt Herrington, Vice President  
Stanley Sokolowski, Secretary  
Davi Killion Ingram  
Jeffrey Schwab  
Brandon Sheeley  
Dyna Tutt

Administrators present: Jason Marshall, Superintendent  
Suzanne Eiben, Assistant Superintendent of  
Human Resources  
Chris Kiser, Assistant Superintendent of  
Instructional Services  
Larissa Loveless, Director of Public Relations  
Lisa Edge, Recording Secretary

Visitors present: None

President Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:38 PM, announced that a quorum was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and in the manner required by law.

### Public Comment

There were no requests for public comment.

### School Closure due to COVID-19 Pandemic

A motion was made by Trustee Schwab, seconded by Trustee Sheeley to close the district from March 23-April 3, 2020 due to Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and to tentatively reopen the district if possible to safely do so on April 6, 2020. Motion carried 7-0.

### Student Services during COVID-19 Pandemic

A motion was made by Trustee Sheeley, seconded by Trustee Tutt to continue providing student services including, but not limited to; academic, special education, and nutrition during district closure due to COVID-19 pandemic. Motion carried 7-0.

**Employee Pay during COVID-19 Pandemic**

A motion was made by Trustee Schwab, seconded by Trustee Sheeley to adopt a resolution in support of paying district personnel including at-will employees during district closure due to COVID-19 pandemic. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution to Pay PISD Employees during COVID-19 Pandemic**

A motion was made by Trustee Schwab, seconded by Trustee Sheeley to adopt a resolution in support of paying district personnel including at-will employees during district closure due to COVID-19 pandemic. Motion carried 7-0.

**Delegate Authority to Superintendent during COVID-19 Pandemic**

A motion was made by Trustee Sheeley, seconded by Trustee Herrington to delegate authority to the superintendent to make decisions on behalf of district during time period of district closure due to COVID-19 pandemic. Motion carried 7-0.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.

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**Michael Bennett, President**

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**Stanley Sokolowski, Secretary**