

Minutes of Called Meeting

The Board of Trustees Palestine ISD

The Board of Trustees of the Palestine Independent School District met for a Called Meeting on February 6, 2018 at 12:00 PM, at the Palestine ISD Administrative Offices, 1007 East Park Avenue, Palestine, Texas 75801.

Members present: Brandon Sheeley, President
Dyna Tutt, Vice President
Michael Bennett, Secretary
Kurt Herrington
Jeffrey Schwab
Janie Sepulveda,

Members absent: Stanley Sokolowski

Others present: Jason Marshall, Superintendent
Suzanne Eiben, Assistant Superintendent of
Human Resources
Tammy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of
Instructional Services
David Atkeisson, Chief Financial Officer
Lisa Edge, Recording Secretary

Visitors present: None

President Sheeley called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

Trustee Bennett gave the invocation.

Pledges to the American and Texas flags were recited.

Resignation of Board Member

Trustee Janie Sepulveda submitted a letter of resignation from the PISD Board of Trustees on January 19, 2018. A motion was made by Trustee Bennett, and seconded by Trustee Herrington to accept the resignation. Trustee Sepulveda abstained from voting. Motion carried 5-0.

Board of Trustee Election Order

A motion was made by Trustee Bennett, and seconded by Trustee Schwab to approve an order for a school trustee regular Election to be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018. The purpose of the Election will be to elect a member for Place One (1) and a member for Place Two (2) of the Board of Trustees, both of which are full three (3) year terms; and to elect one (1) member for Place Five (5) to complete a one year unexpired term. Motion carried 6-0.

School Calendar Revision

Tammy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, informed the Board that due to winter weather in January, PISD had been forced to cancel an entire day of classes on January 16, 2018 and to have a delayed start on January 17, 2018. Mrs. Jones explained that, under House Bill 2610, school districts that have District of Innovation status are required by law to provide at least 75,600 minutes of instruction during a school year. To meet this legal requirement, the following changes would be made:

- Beginning Monday, February 12, 2018, the district will extend the school day by five minutes for the remainder of the school year. Note: Northside Primary and Southside Elementary hours will be extended by five minutes at the end of the day. However, the current school start and stop times at all other campuses allow the required 75,600 minutes to be met.
- Friday, May 18, 2018 which was originally a half-day for students will become a full day.

2018-19 School Calendar

Tammy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, shared that the district was in the process of compiling a calendar for the 2018-19 school year, and that a calendar would be presented for Board of Trustee approval at an upcoming school board meeting.

President Sheeley declared the meeting adjourned at 12:18 PM.

Brandon Sheeley, President

Michael Bennett, Secretary