

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palestine Community Unit School District #3 was held at Palestine Grade School, 205 S. Washington St., Palestine, Illinois on Monday, December 18, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President Susan Hawkins at 6:00 p.m.

Secretary Erin Reinbold called the roll with the following members answering present: Corie Biggs, Lori Elder, Susan Hawkins, Tyler Inboden, Damien Tingley, Tara Vennard & Donald Wagoner. Administration present was Jessica Sisil, and Mr. Will. Others present were Ellie Scott, Kamryn Wampler, Charlotte and Kristen Walker, Loralyn, Leslie, and Emmett Rich.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tyler Inboden to approve the agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lori Elder and seconded by Damien Tingley to approve the consent agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Presentation of 2022-2023 Annual Audit.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to adopt the 2023 Tax Levy. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Damien Tingley and seconded by Tyler Inboden to employ Jacob Fuller as the Pal-Hut Head Football coach. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Abstain: Hawkins. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to approve the following dates for graduation: Grade School Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00pm and High School Saturday, May 18 at 10:00am. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

First reading of Policy updates.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tara Vennard to approve a Resolution declaring the intention to issue \$500,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the District's Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Damien Tingley to approve a Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools for The County of Crawford, Illinois, to certify to the County Clerk of said County the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals. To lower the burden on local property tax payers. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tara Vennard to accept the bus bid from Greyson Holscher for the 1998 Bluebird Bus. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Lori Elder to accept the resignation of Chris Macke as the Jr. High Scholastic Bowl Coach and post the position. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Lori Elder to accept the resignation of Justin Sweitzer as OPH Assistant Football Coach and post the position. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tyler Inboden to employ Frankie Williams as the Head Custodian. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tyler Inboden to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Hawkins, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Susan Hawkins, President

Erin Reinbold, Secretary