

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, August 17, 2026. The meeting was called to order by President Damien Tingley at 6:07 p.m.

Acting secretary Tara Vennard called the roll with the following members answering present: Corie Biggs, Lori Elder, Megan Pifer, Damien Tingley, Tara Vennard, and Donald Wagoner. Absent: Tyler Inboden. Administration present was Caleb Will. Others present were Jana Bayne.

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

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Lori Elder to approve the consent agenda. The treasures report was not included. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jessica Sisil arrived at 6:14 p.m.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Megan Pifer to authorize the superintendent to display the tentative budget. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lori Elder and seconded by Donald Wagoner to approve amendments to the following policies: 2:230, 4:175, 5:40, 5:70, 5:110, 5:140, 5:240, 6:70, 6:80, 6:190, 7:30, 7:80, 7:130, 7:330, 8:10, 8:70. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Donald Wagoner to hire Tracey McWhirter as FCCLA Sponsor. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to hire Vidalia Kuhl as HS Yearbook Co-Sponsor. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay. None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Megan Pifer to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Pifer, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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Damien Tingley, President

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Tara Vennard, Acting Secretary