

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palestine Community Unit School District #3 was held at Palestine High School, 102 S. Main St., Palestine, Illinois on Wednesday, January 18, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President Susan Hawkins at 6:05 p.m.

Secretary Tara Vennard called the roll with the following members answering present: Jeff Besing, Corie Biggs, Susan Hawkins, Tyler Inboden, Tara Vennard, & Donald Wagoner. Absent: Damien Tingley. Administration present was Jessica Sisil and Caleb Will. Others present were as per the attached sign in sheet which hereby become a part of these minutes.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Don Wagoner to approve the amended agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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

It was moved by Don Wagoner and seconded by Jeff Besing to accept the real estate bid submitted by Nick and Audra Welden. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Tyler Inboden to approve the OPH track agreement. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tyler Inboden and seconded by Don Wagoner to post a Personal Paraprofessional Position. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Don Wagoner to employ Lexie McCammon as an Elementary Teacher, Margo Traxler as a Substitute Custodian, and Erin McCoy as a Personal Paraprofessional. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tyler Inboden and seconded by Don Wagoner to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar as presented. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Tyler Inboden to approve the agreement of the ILLINOIS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD (ILARNG). Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Jeff Besing to approve the destruction of the Closed Session recordings made prior to July 1st 2021. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tyler Inboden and seconded by Corie Biggs to enter into Closed Session at 7:08 pm. For the purpose of employment, appointment, resignation and evaluation of personnel, matters relating to an individual student, and negotiations. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Returned to Open Session at 7:36 pm.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Tyler Inboden to approve the release of the following Closed Session minutes August 15, 2022 and November 23, 2022. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved Jeff Besing and seconded by Corie Biggs to accept the resignation of Shelby Mendenhall as full time bus driver, sub custodian and sub cook, but retain as a sub bus driver. Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Corie Biggs and seconded by Jeff Besing to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Biggs, Hawkins, Inboden, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Susan Hawkins, President

Tara Vennard, Secretary