

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, May 17, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President Hawkins at 6:02 p.m.

Secretary Vennard called the roll with the following members answering present: Jeff Besing, Tyler Inboden, Damien Tingley, Tara Vennard, Donald Wagoner, and Susan Hawkins. Absent: Corie Biggs. Administration present was Tangi Waldrop and Jessica Sisil. Others present were: Amy and Elijah Beckes, Autumn Burkett, Stevi, Ross, and Miles Holscher, Raymond, Cassandra, and Aurora Kingery, Paige, Brylee, and Arianna Krick, Scott Mendenhall, Brandon Sisil, Stuart Smith, and Marcia Schmidlin.

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

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

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Donald Wagoner to accept the bid from Midwest Transit Equipment for the purchase of two new buses for the transportation fleet. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Damien Tingley and seconded by Tyler Inboden to accept the bid from Morrow Brothers Ford for the purchase of a maintenance utility truck for the transportation fleet. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Abstain: Jeff Besing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tyler Inboden and seconded by Jeff Besing to approve the IASB annual membership renewal. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Donald Wagoner to enter into Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. 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, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Returned to Open Session at 7:37 p.m.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Damien Tingley to approve Closed Session minutes of April 26, 2021. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Tyler Inboden and seconded by Tara Vennard to employ the following as summer workers beginning June 2, 2021 and continuing until summer maintenance work is completed, pending meeting all necessary requirements: Pam McCord, Erika Blank, and Gavin Besing. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Abstain: Jeff Besing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Damien Tingley to employ Shara Keen as a Grade School math interventionist, pending meeting all necessary requirements. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Tyler Inboden to employ Brian Nelson as a sub custodian, pending meeting all necessary requirements. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Damien Tingley and seconded by Donald Wagoner to accept the resignations of Erika Blank as a Junior High Girls' Basketball Assistant Coach, Jamie Cutright as a High School Scholastic Bowl Coach, and Kelsie Adams as a personal paraprofessional. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Tara Vennard to approve to post the following positions: Junior High Girls' Basketball Assistant Coach, High School Scholastic Bowl Coach, and a personal paraprofessional. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jeff Besing and seconded by Tyler Inboden to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Besing, Inboden, Tingley, Vennard, Wagoner, and Hawkins. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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Susan Hawkins, President

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Tara Vennard, Secretary