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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palestine Community Unit School District #3 was held at Palestine High School, 102 N. Main St., Palestine, Illinois on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Acting President Damien Tingley at 6:00 p.m.

Secretary Erin Reinbold called the roll with the following members answering present: Lori Elder, Damien Tingley, Tara Vennard, and Donald Wagoner. Absent: Corie Biggs, Susan Hawkins and Tyler Inboden. 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 Lori Elder and seconded by Donald Wagoner to approve the agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Corie Biggs joined by phone at 6:06 pm.

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

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded Lori Elder to approve amendments to the following policies: 2:105, 2:110, 2:120, 2:140, 4:10, 4:30, 4:40, 4:60, 4:150, 4:160, 4:170, 4:190, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:35, 5:90, 5:120, 5:125, 5:150, 5:230, 6:20, 6:60, 6:65, 6:135, 6:270, 6:340, 7:10, 7:100, 7:160, 7:165, 7:180, 7:200, 8:10. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Tara Vennard to enter into Closed Session at 6:17 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: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Returned to open session at 6:35 p.m.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to approve the release of the following Closed Session minutes: July 2, 2024, and July 15, 2024. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay. None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Lori Elder and seconded by Tara Vennard to approve the destruction of Closed Session recordings prior to July 1, 2023. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tara Vennard and seconded by Lori Elder to approve the Closed Session minutes of the September 20, 2024 board meeting. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lori Elder and seconded by Donald Wagoner to accept the resignation of Josh Meadows as OPH Assistant Track Coach and post the position. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to approve to post the High School Language Arts position for the 25-26 school year. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to employ Chase Knoblett as a Volunteer OPH Track Coach. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Lori Elder and seconded by Donald Wagoner to employ Bradley Fulling as a Substitute Custodian. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by Lori Elder to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Biggs, Elder, Tingley, Vennard, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Damien Tingley, Acting President

Erin Reinbold, Secretary