

**Regular Board Meeting
June 19, 2006
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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palestine Community Unit School District #3 was held at the District Office at 100 S. Main St., Palestine, Illinois, on Monday, June 19, 2006. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Wagoner at 6:33 p.m.

Secretary Eckert called the roll with the following members answering present: Gary Buser, Shari Eckert, James Ellis, and Donald Wagoner. Absent were: Jim Bush, Stephanie Guyer, and Corie Biggs. Administration present was Dan Price, Acting Interim Superintendent and Grade School Principal, Sheila Mikeworth. Others present were: Josh Brown (Daily News), Linda Ryan-Catt, Marilyn Fritchley, and Denise Dart.

A motion was made by Shari Eckert and seconded by James Ellis to approve the agenda which hereby becomes a part of these minutes. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

James Ellis made a motion, seconded by Gary Buser, to approve the consent agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Grade School Principal's Report

Mrs. Mikeworth reported on end of year events at the grade school. Mrs. Burkett applied for and received a recycling grant. Mr. Macke will be participating in Marathon Science Training offered by Marathon Petroleum Company during the month of June for science teachers in Grades K-6.

Superintendent's Report/Construction Update

Mr. Price commended all the volunteers and staff who moved the buildings. The Board is sending a letter to Tempco Products Co. thanking them for sending their semi and driver to assist with the move. Mr. Price praised the move as a community effort.

He reported that 675 pounds of lab chemicals were packed and moved by EPA free rather than a charge of \$8,000.00.

Mr. Price reported the auction went very well. Cast iron heaters caused damage to stairs which caused asbestos concerns. The asbestos crew started today, June 19, and should last for two weeks. Demo crew should be set to begin the end of July.

Corey Rademacher presented an update on the construction of the new building including a schedule of completion dates.

Change Order 10-3 to Crown Electric for fire door closures and safety switch at a cost of \$2,999.00 was approved on a motion by James Ellis and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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A change order to White Construction for deletion of concrete curbs and to provide additional oil and chip paving at a cost of up to \$1,875.00 with deduct of \$3,500.00 was approved on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A change order to White Construction for west parking elevation change at a cost of \$32,027.00 was approved on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser and Eckert. Nay: Ellis and Wagoner. Motion failed.

A change order to White Construction to extend driveway crossing with installation of elliptical pipe at a cost of \$360.00 was approved on a motion by Gary Buser and seconded by James Ellis. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Change Order No. 8, 9-5 to B & S Plumbing to locate water meter outside for cost of \$6,251.00 was approved on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A change order to ARC Construction for wall mats on the west end of gym and installation cost of \$1,980.00 was approved on a motion by Gary Buser and seconded by James Ellis. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Change Order No. 1 to KAM Services for \$16,986.45 for 9000 sq. ft. prorated for the floor tile replacement at PHS building to be demolished was approved on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by James Ellis and seconded by Shari Eckert to authorize the purchase of air conditioners for the renovated PHS building from McNair's Hardware at a cost up to \$499.99 per 24,000 BTU unit. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

An update was given on the extension of the Illinois Clean Energy Grant to September 30, 2006.

It was moved by Gary Buser and seconded by James Ellis to authorize the seeking of bids on gasoline, bread, and milk for the 2006-2007 school year. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Gary Buser made a motion seconded by James Ellis to authorize the publication of the meeting dates for the next fiscal year. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Shari Eckert and seconded by James Ellis to authorize the use of First Robinson Savings Bank as the official depository for the school district. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Gary Buser made a motion, seconded by Shari Eckert, to require the signature of the Superintendent, District Treasurer or board member, James Ellis, on all payroll, vendor, and imprest fund checks beginning June 20, 2006. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Abstain: Ellis. Motion carried.

It was moved by James Ellis and seconded by Gary Buser to authorize the adoption and publication of the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. A copy of which is attached and hereby becomes a part of these minutes. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

James Ellis made a motion, seconded by Shari Eckert, to approve the purchase of Worker's Compensation Insurance through the Worker's Compensation Self-Insurance Trust. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gary Buser and seconded by Shari Eckert to approve the budget transfers submitted to the Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. A copy of which is attached and hereby becomes a part of these minutes. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Buser and seconded by James Ellis to approve the Egyptian Area Schools Employee Benefit Trust Participating Employer Health Plan Election Form offering eligible employees the choice of three health plans with an effective date of September 1 for all Health Plan changes made during the annual open enrollment period. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Gary Buser made a motion, seconded by Shari Eckert, to approve membership renewal in Illinois Association of School Boards. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gary Buser and seconded by James Ellis to approve the audit contract with Kemper's CPA for year ended June 30, 2006. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Approval was granted to establish new activity accounts for Football and Celebrating Great Things on a motion by James Ellis and seconded by Shari Eckert. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Wellness Policy was presented and approved as amended for elementary only on a motion by Gary Buser and seconded by Donald Wagoner. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried. continued;

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:52 p.m. on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by Gary Buser for the purpose of employment, resignation, matters relating to an individual student, and grievance/negotiations. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:53 p.m. on a motion by James Ellis and seconded by Gary Buser. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Shari Eckert and seconded by James Ellis to approve payment of medical bills for Student #1. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Payment was approved for medical bills on Student #2 on a motion by James Ellis and seconded by Shari Eckert. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by James Ellis and seconded by Shari Eckert to settle grievance with the teacher's union over the disputed 2004-2005 calendar days with a choice of 2004-2005 rate and/or one or two personal days. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Gary Buser made a motion, seconded by James Ellis, to accept the resignation of Ted LaVigne effective June 7, 2006. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Richard Lowe was employed as grade school maintenance at \$12.00 per hour effective immediately on a motion by Shari Eckert and seconded by James Ellis. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Action to set salary for support staff was tabled.

It was moved by James Ellis and seconded by Gary Buser to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, and Wagoner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Donald Wagoner, Vice President

Shari Eckert, Secretary