

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palestine Community Unit School District No. 3 was held at Palestine Grade School at 205 S. Washington Street, Palestine, Illinois on Monday, November 16, 2009. The meeting was called to order by President Biggs at 6:30 p.m.

Secretary Eckert called the roll with the following members answering present: Gary Buser, Jim Bush, Shari Eckert, James Ellis, Donald Wagoner and J. Corie Biggs. Members absent were: Susan Hawkins. Administration present was John Hasten and Joe Sornberger. Also present was: Nicole Weskerna (RDN).

It was moved by Gary Buser and seconded by Jim Bush to approve the agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Donald Wagoner and seconded by James Ellis to approve the consent agenda. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Eckert, Ellis, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Abstain: Bush. Motion carried.

Susan Hawkins entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Administration reports were presented.

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The School Improvement Plan for each building was reviewed and discussed.

It was moved by Jim Bush and seconded by Gary Buser to appoint the early graduation request for Jeff Otte pending the meeting of the necessary requirements. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Hawkins, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A preliminary tax levy report was reviewed.

It was moved by Jim Bush and seconded by Gary Buser to accept the resignation of Ritchie Wesley as a volunteer football coach and post the position. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Hawkins, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gary Buser and seconded by Donald Wagoner to enter into Closed Session at 7:18 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of employment, appointment, resignation, evaluation of personnel, matters relating to an individual student and negotiations. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Hawkins, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Jim Bush and seconded by James Ellis to return to Open Session at 7:36 p.m. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Hawkins, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. on a motion by Gary Buser and seconded by Donald Wagoner. Roll call voting on the motion was as follows: Aye: Buser, Bush, Eckert, Ellis, Hawkins, Wagoner, and Biggs. Nay: None. Motion carried.

J. Corie Biggs, President

Shari Eckert, Secretary