

**PALCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 269
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**REGULAR MEETING
November 6, 2024
7:00 P.M.
Palco High School Library
MINUTES**

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance

Tom Benoit called meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Present members included Tom Benoit, Kyle Benoit, Rebecca Hageman, Marissa Jones, Brian Pekarek, Paul Prewo, Kami Keller, and Cindy Blattner.

Absent were Brandon Kuhn and Cody Pieper.

Audience signed in.

Kyle Benoit moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Marissa Jones seconded. Discussion to add item 4A for building maintenance. Motion carried 4-0.

FFA presentation by FFA members requested vehicle usage and fuel costs for trip to Denver, CO. Rebecca Hageman moved to cover vehicles and fuel costs for the trip. Marissa Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Building maintenance discussion started with Tom Benoit.

Possible installation of carbon monoxide detectors and standing water alarms for DES discussed.

Suggestion of a Maintenance committee consisting of 2-3 board members was discussed.

Discussion about upkeep of the gym floors in PJSHS and holding the PDZ rec adult level basketball games in Damar.

Board Reports started with Paul Prewo K-12 Principal concerning an extended break. BOE came to a consensus of agreement.

Parent teacher conferences were discussed. They were well attended. Suggestion for PJSHS conferences to take place in Damar at the same time as DES conferences.

We are needing to add another SUV to our fleet due to a deer accident. Discussion about looking at the state BID site for options.

Potential ban of cell phones by state.

Need to add a position for Science Olympiad.

Two teams made it to State Eco Meet.
We are needing more helpers for HS JV Scholar's Bowl on 11/19. Marissa Jones and Dr. Pekarek volunteered. More needed.

Discussion about taking out the cost of trips from normal football headcoach pay and subtract mileage paying the difference to help Logan supplement coaches.

Possible PJSHS Play Director - Stephanie Clark - Potential school play date 04/26.

Dr. Brian Pekarek - Superintendent presented a Financial Update and potential Steps Towards Reversing Declining Enrollment.

Advocacy in Action – Rebecca Hageman had no report.

Technology Representative – Tom Benoit and Marissa Jones discussed a February meeting.

PDZ Representative – Brandon Kuhn was absent. Mr. Prewo reported December 2nd was decided for a spaghetti dinner.

NCKSEC Representative –Rebecca Hageman, alt. Tom Benoit stated that all audits are completed. Discussion about IEP review.

Negotiations – Rebecca Hageman had no report.

SHESC – Tom Benoit shared updates.

Executive Session - Non-Elected Personnel Tom Benoit moved to enter executive session at 8:59 P.M. for 20 minutes for purpose of discussing non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that the Board will return to the open session in this room at 9:19 P.M. Included in the executive session are all present Board members, Superintendent, and Principal. Kyle Benoit seconded.

Motion carried 4-0. Kami Keller and Cindy Blattner entered the executive session at 9:09 p.m.

Review of Health Insurance needed.

Adjourn at 9:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Blattner USD 269 Board Clerk