

Palmyra R-1 Board of Education  
Press Release  
August 15, 2018

The regular meeting of the Palmyra R-1 Board of Education was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. in the office of the Board of Education at 1703 S. Main, Palmyra, MO.

The principals gave building reports on back to school. Enrollment is up throughout the district.

The board heard a report regarding the districts bus fleet earning the Missouri Highway Patrol Total Fleet Excellence distinction for the 2018-19 school year. Bus inspections are conducted annually in the summer months and this year the district bus fleet passed with a 94.4% approval rate. The statewide approval rate is 90.6%. The board thanked Danny Christy, Bus Mechanic, and Brian Wosman, Transportation Director, for their dedication to the safety of our students.

Kirt Malone reported on the Middle School HVAC renovation project. The units have been installed along with a new controller system. All units are operating and are ready for the beginning of school. This project was completed using existing district funds and is expected to save the district \$4,000 to \$7,000 in utility costs annually.

In new business, Luke Mahsman, District Agriculture Education teacher, asked the board to authorize the establishment of an Agricultural Education Program Advisory Committee.

In other new business, the board approved the local IDEA Compliance Plan for 2018-2019.

The board approved Larry Seago as the district's Homeless Coordinator, Foster Parent Liaison, and Migrant Student Coordinator. Kinsey Cissna was approved as the district's Non-discrimination/Anti-harassment and Section 504 Coordinator.

The board approved all three of the building's student handbooks and administrative handbooks. The iPad handbook was approved.

In other new business, the board was given a tentative agenda for the Missouri School Boards Association Fall Meeting that will be held September 27-30.

The board re-approved Board Policy GBCB.

In new business, the board heard a first reading on MSBA policy updates.

The board set adult lunch prices at \$3.00 and breakfast prices at \$2.00 for the 2018-19 school year.

In new business, the board authorized the establishment of an escrow account to defease and prepay \$300,000 principal amount of general obligation refunding bonds, series 2016, and authorizing the district to enter into an escrow agreement. This will save the district \$4,500 in interest expense.

The board hired Jessica Sommers as High School Math teacher and Senior Class sponsor.

The board approved the substitute list as presented.