

Palmyra R-1 Board of Education  
Press Release  
June 15, 2022

The regular meeting of the Palmyra R-1 Board of Education was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the office of the Board of Education at 1703 South Main, Palmyra, Missouri.

The principals presented their monthly building reports.

Bridgette Augspurg reported to the board on the district's Title I program.

The board adopted the annual budget for the 2022-2023 school year (FY23). The budget has total operating expenditures of \$11,816,455. The operating levy used in the development of the levy is \$3.3480 and a debt service rate of \$0.68 for a total of \$4.0280. This is the same tax rate as FY22 and reflects a \$0.0422 voluntary rollback in the operating funds from the highest voter approved operating levy. Some highlights of this budget are a \$1,750 increase to the base salary for teachers in addition to the \$400 vertical step on the salary schedule for years' experience given to eligible teachers. Non-certified staff will receive a 5% raise in salary. The budget includes the increase to beginning wages for classified employees that matches the January 2023 state minimum wage. There is an increase of 6.8% for the cost of health insurance for FY23. For the eleventh time in nineteen years there will not be an increase of the Missouri Teacher Retirement System or the Missouri Non-teacher Retirement System. The budget includes a post-secondary advisor at the high school, an increase in bus driver pay, and an increase in sub pay from \$85 to \$100 per day. The budget includes the purchase of a new lawn mower, as well as a new bus.

In new business, the board re-adopted the conflict-of-interest policy (policy BBFA).

In other new business, the board approved a transfer of money from fund 1 (operating) to fund 4 (capital projects) of \$350,000 from M&M surtax, the greater of \$162,326 or 7% transfer, and allowable transportation transfer approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

The board adopted the professional development plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

The Board reviewed the final Clarence Cannon Conference Sportsmanship results for the 2021-2022 school year.

The board adopted meal prices for the 2022-2023 school year.

The board rescinded the early retirement incentive policy (policy GCPCA).

Kortney MacDonough resigned her position as PAT Parent Educator; Mariann Walotka resigned as FCCLA Assistant Advisor.

The Board hired the following:

Allison Reeder as 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science teacher and Science Olympiad Sponsor

Carey McDaniel as High School Paraprofessional

Jill Duppong as Elementary Paraprofessional

Brittani Keller as PAT Parent Educator

Kara Hoye as High School Secretary