



**PALMYRA BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
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The Mission of the Palmyra Public School District is to work cooperatively with the available resources of home and community, including business and industry, to offer each child the educational opportunities that will enable him/her to function politically, economically, and socially in a democratic society and to fully facilitate their development within a safe and secure school environment.

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\*added after meeting notice

**AGENDA**

**September 10, 2014**

**7:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order

The Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of the public bodies, at which time any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Palmyra Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, place and purpose thereof posted at Palmyra Borough Hall, the high school library bulletin board, and board offices; mailed to the Palmyra Borough Clerk, Burlington County Times, Courier Post, Philadelphia Inquirer, and the Trend on September 4, 2014.

2. Moment of Silent Meditation

3. Salute to the Flag

4. Roll Call:

Ms. Nancy Brett, Vice President  
Mr. Keith Austin  
Ms. Sandra Cintron  
Mrs. Lori Gilmore  
Mr. John Gural  
Mr. John Kay  
Mr. Stanley Ozalis, President  
Mr. John Quigg  
Mr. Mark Russell  
Mr. Warnock, Riverton Representative  
Ms. Mary Ellen Knudson, Beverly Representative  
Mr. Giovanni Gravano, Student Representative

5. Presentations/Recognition

6. Reports

- 6.01 Superintendent
- 6.02 Student Representative

7. Correspondence

2014 Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Program Grant Notification

8. Public Forum for Agenda Items

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9. Routine Business

- 9.01 BE IT RESOLVED that the following reports are hereby accepted and approved:
  - 9.01a Volunteers: Ruth Mills

**Voice Vote by Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

- 9.02 BE IT RESOLVED that the following reports are hereby accepted and approved:
  - 9.02a Travel and Professional Development

<i>Staff Member</i>	<i>Name/Date of Workshop</i>	<i>Workshop Cost</i>	<i>Workshop Location</i>
Joe Rosato	<b>NJTESOL/NJBE Fall Conference</b>	65.00	Galloway, NJ

**Roll Call Vote Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Human Resource

- 10.01 BE IT RESOLVED that the following personnel actions are hereby approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

10.01a Novice Teacher Mentors

<u>Novice Teacher</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Katie DeMarco	Katie Salvo
Kelly Gallagher	
Amanda Ehret	Karla O'Connell

10.01b Extracurricular Activities  
Accept the resignation of Ms. Leslie Dobbs as the advisor for the Just Say No Club for 2014/2015.

10.01c Resignations

- Accept the resignation of Mrs. Kathleen Petrucelli, Administrative Assistant Payroll & Benefits, effective October 2, 2014.
- Accept the resignation of Mr. Brian Thomas, Science Teacher, effective August 30, 2014.

10.01d Appointment  
Appoint Ms. Kelly Gallagher as a full time Teacher of Science at Palmyra High School for the 2014/2015 school year, effective September 1, 2014.

### Roll Call Vote Full Board

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

### 11. Policy and Curriculum

11.01 BE IT RESOLVED that the following policy and curriculum actions are hereby approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

#### 11.01a Field Trips

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Grade/Subject</u>
9/12/14	Maple Shade	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
9/20/14	Upper Dublin High School for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
9/27/14	Abington High School for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/4/14	Millville High School/ for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/4/14	Woodrow Wilson	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/9/14	Washington Twp. HS	Gr. 8-12/Ms. DeMarco
10/11/14	Plymouth Whitemarsh for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/16/14	Collingswood HS	Gr. 8-12/Ms. DeMarco
10/18/14	Egg Harbor High School for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/24/14	Riverside	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/25/14	Delsea High School for band competition	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
10/30/14	Riverton School for Halloween Parade	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
11/1/14	Gloucester Catholic	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore
11/9/14	Hershey, Pa. for band championship	Gr. 7-12/Mr. Moore

*The Board would like to recognize the PTA for its financial support, which helps to make many of these trips possible.*

11.01b Student Placements/Services  
Palmyra student #9119397579 to attend the Burlington County Alternative High School for the 2014/2015 school year at a tuition rate of \$18,312.00 effective 9/3/14.

11.01c Memorandum of Agreement with Law Enforcement  
Enter into a Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials (MOA) for the 2014/2015 school year.

11.01d Fund Raising Activities

Cheerleading - Fundraiser overseen by Tiffany Murphy

Bake sale in the gymnasium hallway on 9/10, 9/11 &/or 9/12

Soccer Booster Club - Fundraiser overseen by Gina Tait and Ciaran Brett

The Soccer Booster Club will have an ongoing Blanket and Flag sale until supplies are gone to support the boys and girls soccer teams.

The German Club - Fundraiser overseen by Katie DeMarco

The German Club would like to offer a dress down day with the money used to offset the cost of their future trip to Europe. 10/3 would be the dress down date.

PTA fundraiser for 9/18 at PHS. Parents will be selling water bottles and pretzels.

11.01e Curriculum

- Creative Writing
- AP Calculus
- Spanish V

### **Roll Call Vote Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

### 12. Public Forum for Additional Topics

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12.01a Recognition of members of the Public

12.01b Recognition of members of the Board

### 13. Closed Session

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et. Seq. (Open Public Meetings Act) provides that the *Palmyra Board of Education* may exclude the public from that portion of the meeting at which the *Board of Education* discusses certain matters as set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of the Board of Education will reconvene following the end of the closed session, approximately 8:00 p.m. this evening

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Any matter which, by express provisions of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collection bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.
- Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed in public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.

**Voice Vote by Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_  
Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Return from Closed Session

**Voice Vote by Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_  
Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Adjournment

**Voice Vote by Full Board**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second:  
Vote:  
Time:

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