



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

JANUARY 2, 2020 AGENDA

The Board Secretary will act as temporary chair to conduct the meeting prior to the election of the President of the Board.

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, and the Courier Post, on **December 20, 2019**.

2 Moment of Silent Meditation

3 Salute to the Flag

4 Official Election Results

Three Year Term

Kate Allen-Yoakum	1246
Laurie Beck	1053
Mark Andrew Russell	1077
Robert G. Zoll, Jr.	707
Personal Choice	15

Two Year Unexpired Term

James Dickinson	1352
Personal Choice	9

5 The Board Secretary administers the oath of office to elected members: Kate Allen-Yoakum, Laurie Beck, James Dickinson and Mark Russell.

- 6 Roll Call
- 7 Election of President of the Board
- 8 Election of Vice President of the Board
- 9 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 **30 MINUTES** 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 provision 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 collective 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
- X 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 at a 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the afore stated meeting shall be closed to the public for the reasons set forth above, in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT and that the discussion in closed session will be disclosed to the public at such time as it is no longer necessary to maintain the confidential nature of the items discussed.

Voice Vote by Full Board

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Vote: _____

Return from Closed Session

Voice Vote by Full Board

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Vote: _____

10 Board Member Appointments

- 10.01 Delegate to the Burlington County School Boards Association
- 10.02 Dr. Clarence B. Jones Institute for Social Advocacy Advisory Council Representative
- 10.03 Delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association
- 10.04 Alternate delegate to the New Jersey School boards Association
- 10.05 Committee Chairs
 - Finance and Physical Plant
 - Human Resources
 - Policy and Curriculum
 - Strategic Planning

11 Public Forum for Agenda Items

The Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all initial requests and comments pertaining to the operation of the School District to the Superintendent.

12 Reports – none

13 Correspondence

*Board member representation for send/receive districts

14 Old Business - none

15 Policy and Curriculum

15.01 BE IT RESOLVED that the following Policy and Curriculum actions are hereby approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

15.01a The following list of dates for the regular meetings of the Palmyra Board of Education are hereby approved by the Board until the next reorganization meeting as per Board of Education Policy.

2020 Board Meetings

All such meetings are to be held in accordance with the dates listed on this schedule at 7:00 p.m. in the Delaware Avenue All Purpose Room, 301 Delaware Avenue, Palmyra, New Jersey 08065. Exceptions to this schedule will be publicly advertised when and as appropriate in accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:17-7. Action will be taken at these meetings.

January 8, 2020	July – No meeting
February 12, 2020	August 26, 2020
February 29, 2020 (Board Retreat)	September 16, 2020
March 11, 2020	October 14, 2020
April 8, 2020	November 11, 2020
May 13, 2020	December 9, 2020
June 10, 2020	January 6, 2021

15.01b The following list of dates for the committee meetings of the Palmyra Board of Education are hereby approved by the Board until the next reorganization meeting as per Board of

2020 Committee Meetings

January 29, 2020
February – no meeting
March 25, 2020
April 29, 2020
May 27, 2020
June – no meeting

July – no meeting
August – no meeting
September 30, 2020
October 28, 2020
November 24, 2020
December – no meeting

15.02 BE IT RESOLVED that the following Policy and Curriculum actions are hereby approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

15.02a That the Board hereby re-adopts the existing bylaws, policies and practices and all current appointments and contracts currently in force through the end of the 2019-2020 school year for the Board's operation and the operation of the school system.

15.02b That the Board hereby approves the current curriculum for all grades.

15.02c That the following authorized newspapers are hereby approved for advertising:
• Camden Courier Post
• Burlington County Times

16 Personnel

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

16.01a That the Board hereby appoints William R. Blatchley as Board Secretary.

Roll Call Vote Full Board

Motion: _____ Second: _____

17 Public Forum for Additional Topics

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- 17.01 Recognition of members of the Public
- 17.02 Recognition of members of the Board

18 Adjournment

Voice Vote by Full Board

Motion: _____
Second: _____
Vote: _____
Time: _____