



Minutes of the Palo Pinto I.S.D. Board of Trustees meeting in Regular Meeting, July 15, 2025

Members Present: Bud Price-President, Teresa Medlin-Secretary, & Lori Henderson

Members Absent: Brad Connelly-Vice President & Cody Cloud

Professional Staff: Wendell Barker – Superintendent, Natalie Rogers -- Principal

Quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by Bud Price, President at 6:13pm. Wendell Barker, Superintendent, certified the provisions of Article 6252-17, Civil Statutes as amended by the 63rd Legislature Special Session has been complied with regard to public notice of the meeting.

Open Public Forum

Consent Agenda

- Board Minutes approval was motioned by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously.
- Bill payment approval was motioned by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously.
- Financial reports approval was motioned by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously.

Business Items

- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve the District contribution towards TRS-ActiveCare for eligible employees for the 2025-2026 school year as presented
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve compensation and benefits plan/package for the 2025-2026 school year as presented, with the authority given to the superintendent to change, as needed based on budgetary development.
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve the renewal for continuation of the District's Workers' Compensation coverage with TASB Risk Management Fund
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve Option 3 to Reduce Local Revenue Level in Excess of Entitlement for Chapter 49 Status as presented
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to delegate contractual authority for the 2025-2026 school year to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, §49.006, including the approval of the *Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit* as presented
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve the Fuel bids/vendor for 2025-2026 as presented
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin, and approved unanimously to adopt Board Policy Update 125 as presented relating to the following (LOCAL) policies:
 - **BDAA(LOCAL):** OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS - DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF BOARD OFFICERS
 - **BDB(LOCAL):** BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION - BOARD COMMITTEES
 - **BDF(LOCAL):** BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION - ADVISORY COMMITTEES
 - **FDE(LOCAL):** ADMISSIONS - SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS
 - **FEC(LOCAL):** ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT
- Motion by Lori Henderson, seconded by Teresa Medlin, and approved unanimously to adopt Board Policy (LOCAL) Update to reflect Legislative Updates effective at the beginning of the 2025-2026 School Year (not a numbered update) as presented relating to the following (LOCAL) policies:
 - **EFB(LOCAL):** INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES – LIBRARY MATERIALS
 - **FD(LOCAL):** ADMISSIONS
 - **FNCE(LOCAL):** STUDENT CONDUCT – PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- There was no closed session.

Communications and Reports were provided on the following topics:

- Updated/Amended 2024-2025 Budget
- Preliminary 2025-2026 Budget
- Important Dates for the School Year 2025-2026
- Future Board Meeting Dates

Motion by Teresa Medlin, seconded by Lori Henderson and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:54pm.

Bud Price, President

Teresa Medlin, Secretary

Approved August 5, 2025

Instruction Sheet

TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 125

Palo Pinto ISD

Code	Type	Action To Be Taken	Note
AIA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
AIE	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
B	(LEGAL)	Replace table of contents	Revised table of contents
BBD	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
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CBA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CKA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CKC	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CLA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CMD	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CNB	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
CNC	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
DEAB	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
DMA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
EHBAA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
EHBAD	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
EHBAF	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
EHBE	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FDA	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FDE	(LOCAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FEC	(LOCAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FFAC	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy

FFAC	(LOCAL)	No policy enclosed	See explanatory note
FFB	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FOC	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy
FOF	(LEGAL)	Replace policy	Revised policy

EXPLANATORY NOTES

AIA(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: ACCREDITATION AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Revisions to 19 Administrative Code 97.1003(f)(3), effective February 10, 2025, prompted edits at Local Accountability Plan — Submission and Audit Standards.

AIE(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: INVESTIGATIONS

A citation to the Administrative Code has been adjusted at the end of the policy.

B(LEGAL) LOCAL GOVERNANCE

The Section B Table of Contents has been updated to reflect revised names for policies BDB, Board Committees, and BDF, Advisory Committees.

BBD(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

19 Administrative Code 61.1051 was repealed on December 6, 2024, but 19 Administrative Code

61.1(b)(7), which references the repealed rule, was not amended. The requirements in the repealed provision were moved to 19 Administrative Code 103.1401. A Note has been added at Identifying and Reporting Abuse to clarify the location of the requirements.

BDAA(LOCAL) OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS: DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF BOARD OFFICERS

Revisions are recommended to this local policy on board officer duties and requirements. At Board Officers, the sentence indicating that the board may assign a district employee to provide clerical assistance is recommended for deletion since the superintendent, rather than the board, manages staff assignments, including providing support to the board.

BDB(LEGAL) BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: BOARD COMMITTEES

To coordinate with the recommended changes to the local policy at this code, the subtopic has been changed from Internal Committees to Board Committees.

BDB(LOCAL) BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: BOARD COMMITTEES

This policy has been revised in coordination with BDF(LOCAL) to clarify the difference between board committees and advisory committees. Accordingly, the subtopic of this code has been changed from Internal Committees to Board Committees, and new provisions are recommended to establish how board committees are formed and outline their purpose. Text addressing Dissolution of board committees is also recommended for inclusion. The language previously at Special Committees has been moved to BDF(LOCAL).

BDF(LEGAL) BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: ADVISORY COMMITTEES

To coordinate with the recommended changes to the local policy at this code, the subtopic has been changed from Citizen Advisory Committees to Advisory Committees.

BDF(LOCAL) BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The subtopic of this code has been changed from Citizen Advisory Committees to Advisory Committees. No other revisions have been made to this policy, and it is being issued at no charge to the district.

Please note: This local policy has been impacted by the district's innovation plan. Please contact your policy consultant to discuss your renewed or revised innovation plan and any potential policy revisions.

BJB(LEGAL) SUPERINTENDENT: RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT

New rules at 19 Administrative Code 103.1213 regarding the Sentinel system were adopted on December 13, 2024, and a new section on required reporting in that system after a superintendent change has been added to this legal framework.

CBA(LEGAL)**STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE SOURCES: STATE**

Revisions reflect amendments at 19 Administrative Code 61.1034, effective April 13, 2025, to clarify the criteria a district must meet to be eligible for the New Instructional Facility Allotment (NIFA). Additional information about NIFA has also been included to outline eligibility provisions and the application process. NIFA was created in 1999 for districts to provide for operational expenses associated with the opening of a new instructional facility and is available to all public school districts that meet the requirements of the statute and rule.

CKA(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SAFETY AND SECURITY AUDITS AND MONITORING

New rules at 19 Administrative Code 103.1213, effective December 15, 2024, relating to the Sentinel system prompted revisions to this legal framework on safety and security audits and monitoring. A section on Reporting Through Sentinel has been added, and additional changes reflecting new reporting requirements for vulnerability assessments and intruder detection audits have been made.

CKC(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS

The new rules regarding the Sentinel system necessitated additional language regarding the Texas School Safety Center's uploading of multihazard emergency operation plans to that system. The new rules became effective December 15, 2024, and are found at 19 Administrative Code 103.1213.

CLA(LEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: SECURITY

New requirements have been added at Human Trafficking Warning Signs to reflect a new rule adopted at 19 Administrative Code 103.1403, effective December 11, 2024.

CMD(LEGAL) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CARE AND ACCOUNTING

Changes at 19 Administrative Code 67.1315, effective December 15, 2024, prompted revisions relating to the requirement for districts to adopt an open education resource instructional materials plan unless otherwise exempt.

CNB(LEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: DISTRICT VEHICLES

A cross-reference to CNC has been added at School Bus Advertising for clarity regarding reporting requirements for crashes involving buses with advertising.

CNC(LEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

At Annual Report to TEA, revisions to this legal framework were required after 19 Administrative Code 61.1028 was repealed and provisions moved to the new 19 Administrative Code 103.1231, effective March 10, 2025. Other revisions have been made for clarity.

DEAB(LEGAL) COMPENSATION PLAN: WAGE AND HOUR LAWS

At Exempt Employees — Academic Administrators, the salary/fee rate has been removed and replaced with a reference to the established weekly threshold to prevent the need for continuous updating as the Fair Labor Standards Act rules are amended over time.

DMA(LEGAL) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: REQUIRED STAFF DEVELOPMENT

A citation change at Child Abuse, Trafficking, and Maltreatment reflects provisions from the Administrative

Code that were repealed on December 11, 2024, and moved to 19 Administrative Code 103.1401. At Mental Health, provisions have been added to reflect the adoption of 19 Administrative Code 153.1015, effective December 2, 2024.

**EHBAA(LEGAL)
ELIGIBILITY**

SPECIAL EDUCATION: IDENTIFICATION, EVALUATION, AND

At Evaluation for Change in Eligibility, provisions have been removed to reflect amendments to 19 Administrative Code 89.1070, adopted November 1, 2024. A cross-reference to EIF has been added for clarity.

EHBAD(LEGAL)

SPECIAL EDUCATION: TRANSITION SERVICES

Provisions at Graduation have been revised to reflect amendments to 19 Administrative Code 89.1070, adopted November 1, 2024.

EHBAF(LEGAL)

SPECIAL EDUCATION: VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING

19 Administrative Code 61.1051 was repealed on December 6, 2024, but 19 Administrative Code 103.1301, which references the repealed rule, was not amended. The requirements in the repealed provision were moved to 19 Administrative Code 103.1401. A Note has been added at Confidentiality — Duty to Report to clarify the location of the requirements.

EHBE(LEGAL)

SPECIAL PROGRAMS: BILINGUAL EDUCATION/ESL

Extensive revisions throughout this legal framework reflect amendments to numerous Administrative Code rules, effective February 7, 2025, relating to bilingual and ESL programs.

FDA(LEGAL)

ADMISSIONS: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS

A paragraph has been added at Discipline and Threat Assessment Records as a result of the new Sentinel rules found at 19 Administrative Code 103.1213, effective December 15, 2024.

FDE(LOCAL)

ADMISSIONS: SCHOOL SAFETY TRANSFERS

At Safe Schools Data, “bullying” is recommended for inclusion as an offense for which the district must collect and maintain data. The revision aligns with the Unsafe School Choice Option Guidance Handbook.

FEC(LOCAL)

ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

Revisions throughout this policy are recommended for clarity.

The information in the first sentence of the policy has been incorporated at Absences Considered for improved readability. Rather than directing the board to establish attendance committees, the policy now authorizes the establishment of those committees by the administration. At Methods for Regaining Credit or Awarding a Final Grade, specifics regarding petitions for credit are recommended for deletion in favor of a reference to administrative regulations.

Revisions at Imposing Conditions for Awarding Credit or a Final Grade are recommended to clarify requirements regarding "seat time." For more information, see the TASB.org article [TEKS Mastery, Not Seat Time, Required for Attendance for Credit](#).

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

FFAC(LEGAL)

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

Extensive changes throughout this legal framework have been made for clarity and to reflect new Department of State Health Services rules on Maintenance and Administration of Medication for Respiratory Distress.

FFAC(LOCAL)

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

The revisions to the legal framework at this code reflect the new Department of State Health Services rules on unassigned medication for respiratory distress. If your district currently maintains medication that can be used when a person is experiencing respiratory distress, please contact your policy consultant for appropriate text to include in your local policy.

FFB(LEGAL)**STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION**

A section on Use of Sentinel Assessment Instrument, Manual, and Field Guide has been added to reflect the new Sentinel rules found at 19 Administrative Code 103.1213, effective December 15, 2024.

FOF(LEGAL)**STUDENT DISCIPLINE: PLACEMENT IN A DISCIPLINARY
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SETTING**

Revisions to this legal framework at Determination of Violent Conduct reflect new language at 19 Administrative Code 103.1205, effective October 29, 2024.

FOF(LEGAL)**STUDENT DISCIPLINE: STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

A new section on Peace Officer or Security Personnel Use of Restraint or Taser has been added to reflect new language at 19 Administrative Code 89.1053, effective October 7, 2024.