



Lynden School District #504

Ensure that all students graduate college, career, and citizenship ready.

## **Board Meeting**

### **Minutes**

04/03/2025

Lynden School District  
Board Room  
516 Main Street, Lynden, WA 98264

#### **1. Call to Order, Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call**

*Meeting called to order by Director Verburg at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Directors Verburg, Owsley, Brar, Martinez and Hickman. Superintendent David VanderYacht and Student Board Representatives Ashley Acton and Kyle Tucker were also in attendance.*

#### **2. Approval of Agenda**

*Director Brar made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Director Hickman. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Board Vote: 5-0*

#### **3. Meeting Minutes**

*Director Martinez motioned to approve the March 20, 2025 board meeting minutes. Seconded by Director Brar. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Board Vote: 5-0*

#### **4. Consent Agenda**

*24/25 General Fund: \$283,521.22; warrants 171719-171791 dated March 31, 2025.*

*24/25 Capital Projects Fund: \$99,802.58; warrants 171792-171792 dated March 31, 2025.*

*24/25 ASB Fund: \$25,450.34; warrants 171793-171802 dated March 31, 2025.*

*24/25 ACH- General Fund: \$5,084.76; warrants 242500214-242500238 dated March 31, 2025.*

*24/25 ACH- ASB Fund: \$3,983.82; warrants 242500239-242500248 dated March 31, 2025.*

*Payroll Direct Deposits in the amount of \$2,248,011.83 dated March 31, 2025.*

*Payroll Taxes Transfer in the amount of \$756,029.48 dated March 31, 2025.*

*Payroll Vendor DRS Transfer in the amount of \$572,744.54 dated March 31, 2025.*

*Payroll Vendor Warrants 171698- 171718 in the amount of \$787,228.70 dated March 31, 2025.*



*Personnel Recommendations dated April 3, 2025.*

*Donations- April 3, 2025*

*Director Owsley motioned to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Hickman.*

*Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Board Vote: 5-0*

**5. Information from the Audience**

*A group of high school students addressed the board regarding the district internet filtering policies and internet service.*

**6. Information from Board Directors & Student Representatives**

*None*

**7. Reports**

a. Superintendent

b. Teaching & Learning

*Presentation- AVID Program*

*Assistant Principals Cyndi Selcho and Dave Kish presented information to the board about the AVID program. The Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program is a national program that supports students in the 'academic middle', preparing them for college eligibility and post-secondary success.*

*School Improvement Plan Progress Updates- LHS, LMS, LA*

*Principal Ellie Meenk updated the board on progress toward school improvement plans and goals for Lynden Academy.*

*Principal Vince Riccobene updated the board on progress toward school improvement plans and goals for Lynden Middle School.*

*Principal Ian Freeman updated the board on progress toward school improvement plans and goals for Lynden High School.*

*\*\*Student Board Representative Ashley Acton exited the meeting.*



c. Finance and Operations

Finance Report- February 2025

*Ben Thomas reviewed the February 2025 finance report with the board. His report included an executive summary, enrollment, budget status, revenues & expenditures, and year-end projections.*

*Director Owsley made a motion to take a 5-minute recess. Seconded by Director Verburg. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*\*\* Student Board Representative Kyle Tucker exited the meeting.*

**8. Action Items**

25/26 Academic Calendar

*Director Martinez made a motion to approve 25/26 academic calendar with a start date before Labor Day. Seconded by Director Owsley. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Board Vote: 5-0*

**9. Board Committee Reports**

*The board's legislative committee, Directors Verburg and Hickman, updated the board on recent activities related to the 2025 legislative session.*

**10. Executive Session**

*At 8:53pm, Director Verburg announced that the board would be meeting in executive session until 9:30pm to discuss litigation or potential litigation with legal counsel and evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110.*

*At 9:30pm, Director Verburg announced that executive session would be extended until 10:00pm.*

*At 10:00pm, Director Verburg announced that executive session would be extended until 10:20pm.*

*At 10:20pm, Director Verburg announced that executive session would be extended until 10:40pm.*

*At 10:40pm, Director Verburg announced that executive session would be extended until 11:00pm.*



*At 11:00pm, Director Verburg announced that executive session would be extended until 11:05pm.*

**11. Call Regular Meeting Back to Order**

*Director Verburg called the regular meeting back to order at 11:05pm.*

**12. Adjourn Meeting**

*There being no further agenda items, Director Verburg adjourned the meeting at 11:05pm.*

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Jim Verburg, President

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David VanderYacht, Superintendent