



Lynden School District #504

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Board Meeting Minutes

06/12/2025

Lynden School District Boardroom
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, and Hickman. Superintendent David VanderYacht was also in attendance.

Directors Brar and Martinez gave prior notice about joining the meeting late.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

Board Vote: 3-0

3. Meeting Minutes

Director Hickman motioned to approve the May 15, 2025 board meeting minutes. Seconded by Director Owsley. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 3-0

4. Masonic Lodge Educator of the Year

Superintendent VanderYacht and Dick Decima, representative of the Lynden/Ferndale Masonic Lodge, presented the 24/25 Educator of the Year Award to Stacey Anderson. Superintendent VanderYacht recognized Stacey for the many ways in which she contributes to the well-being and success of our students and staff. Stacey's name has been added to the district plaque, and she received \$1,500.

5. Consent Agenda

24/25 General Fund: \$372,353.69; warrants 172025-172121 dated May 15, 2025.

24/25 Capital Projects Fund: \$7,358.58; warrants 172122-172122 dated May 15, 2025.

24/25 ASB Fund: \$12,254.52; warrants 172123-172138 dated May 15, 2025.

24/25 ACH General Fund: \$4,422.01; warrants 242500280-242500307 dated May 15, 2025.



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24/25 ACH-ASB Fund: \$991.41; warrants 242500308-242500312 dated May 15, 2025.
24/25 General Fund: \$179,219.62; warrants 172139-172196 dated May 30, 2025.
24/25 ASB Fund: \$8,774.59; warrants 172197-172210 dated May 30, 2025.
24/25 ACH General Fund: \$4,093.08; warrants 242500313-242500326 dated May 30, 2025.
24/25 ACH ASB Fund: \$85.27; warrants 242500327-242500328 dated May 30, 2025.
Payroll Direct Deposits in the amount of \$2,244,885.71 dated May 30, 2025.
Payroll Taxes Transfers in the amount of \$756,206.49 dated May 30, 2025.
Payroll Vendor DRS Transfer in the amount of \$574,406.07 dated May 30, 2025.
Payroll Vendor Warrants 172211-172229 in the amount of \$779,270.64 dated May 30, 2025.
Personnel Recommendations dated June 12, 2025
Overnight Trip Requests- Athletics
Overnight Trip Request- FBLA
NWRDC Membership Agreement- 25.26

Director Owsley motioned to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Hickman
Motion carried by voice vote.
Board Vote: 3-0

6. Information from the Audience

A citizen addressed the board regarding their opposition to Resolution #02-25 and #06-25.

A citizen addressed the board to ask that they push back against the policies and agendas of Christian nationalist and extremist organizations.

7. Information from Board Directors

Director Owsley shared about his experience observing the interviews for Fisher principal.

Director Owsley updated directors on internet filtering at Lynden High School.

**Director Martinez joined the meeting.*

8. Reports

a. Superintendent

25/26 Student Board Representative

Superintendent VanderYacht shared that Sebastian Uribe. Sebastian has been selected as a student board representative for the 25/26 school year. Sebastian will be seated at the September 4, 2025 board meeting and serve alongside Ashley Acton, who will serve a second term.



Annual Policy Reports

Tim Metz and Molly Mitchell shared information related to the following policies as required annually:

Policy 3246- Restraint, Isolation, and Other Uses of Reasonable Force

Policy 3205- Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited

Policy 5011- Sexual Harassment of District Staff Prohibited

Nondiscrimination in Hiring Plan

Molly Mitchell provided information regarding progress towards the implementation of Policy 5010- Nondiscrimination as required annually by that policy.

b. Teaching & Learning

Curriculum Adoption Recommendation- LHS Social Studies & Online Curriculum

Dr. Julie van Wijk presented information on the TCI social studies curriculum that is being recommended by the Instructional Materials Committee for adoption by the board for Lynden High School.

**Director Brar joined the meeting during the social studies presentation.*

Tim Metz presented information on the Imagine Edgenuity online curriculum for grades 6-12 that is being recommended by the Instructional Materials Committee for adoption by the board.

c. Finance and Operations

April 2025 Finance Report

Ben Thomas provided the board with the April 2025 finance report which included an executive summary, enrollment, budget status, revenue and expenditures, and year-end projection.

9. Action Items

LHS Social Studies Curriculum Adoption

Director Brar motioned to approve the adoption of TCI social studies curriculum for Lynden High School. Seconded by Director Owsley. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0

Online Curriculum Adoption

Director Hickman motioned to approve the adoption of Edgenuity Online curriculum. Seconded by Director Martinez. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0



*Director Owsley motioned to take a 5-minutes recess. Seconded by Director Martinez.
Motion carried by voice vote.
Board Vote: 5-0*

10. Board Workshop

Superintendent VanderYacht shared information about the work of the Community Solutions Committee and their recommendation for how to address the current facility needs of the district. Members of the CSC were also in attendance to engage with the board about their discussions and rationale for their recommendation.

11. Board Committee Reports

Directors Verburg and Martinez shared key takeaways from their Board Finance Committee meeting held on June 3, 2025. Topics included 24/25 fiscal year, 25/26 budget development, eResources contract, and Qmlativ conversion.

12. Action Items

Amended Resolution #07-25: WSSDA Model Policy & Procedure Development

*Director Hickman made a motion to approve amended resolution #07-25: WSSDA Model Policy & Procedure Development. Seconded by Director Brar. Motion carried by voice vote.
Board Vote: 5-0*

Lynden Public Schools Foundation Trust Agreement

*Director Martinez made a motion to approve the Lynden Public Schools Foundation Trust Agreement. Seconded by Director Hickman. Motion carried by voice vote.
Board Vote: 5-0*

Renewal of eResources Contract

*Director Martinez made a motion to approve the eResources contract renewal for management of information technology services. Seconded by Director Owsley. Motion carried by voice vote.
Board Vote: 5-0*

13. Policy

a. Second Readings

Policy 1210- Annual Organizational Meeting

Director Brar motioned to approve updated Policy 1210- Annual Organizational Meeting. Seconded by Director Owsley.



Director Brar motioned to amend the election of legislative representative to even numbered years. Seconded by Director Martinez. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0

Note: Due to this change, it was agreed that Director Hickman could choose to serve an additional year as legislative representative until 2026, or the board could elect a new legislative rep in December of 2025 to serve a term of one year.

Director Owsley motioned to approve updated Policy 1210 as amended. Seconded by Director Hickman. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0

Policy 1400- Meeting Conduct, Order of Business, and Quorum

Director Brar motioned to approve updated Policy 1400- Meeting Conduct, Order of Business, and Quorum. Seconded by Director Owsley.

Director Brar made a motion to strike the second sentence under the second section titled 'Regular Meetings' that says "There will be only one regular meeting during the months of December, July, and August." and replace it with "The board will meet only once during the following months as noted: the second Thursday in December, the third Thursday in July, and the first Thursday in August." Seconded by Director Hickman. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0

Director Martinez motioned to approve updated Policy 1400- Meeting Conduct, Order of Business, and Quorum as amended. Seconded by Director Owsley. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board Vote: 5-0

14. Adjourn

There being no further business, Director Verburg motioned to adjourn at 11:08pm.

Jim Verburg, President

David VanderYacht, Superintendent