



LYNDEN

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 6, 2026 at 6:30 PM

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

1. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Director Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Directors in attendance were Martinez, Verburg, Ingham, and Sawka. Director Brar was absent with prior notice. Superintendent VanderYacht was also in attendance.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda.

Moved by: Nick Sawka; seconded by: Danielle Ingham

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

3. Meeting Minutes

[Meeting Minutes- July 16, 2026](#) 

Motion to approve July 16, 2026 meeting minutes as presented.

Moved by: Jim Verburg; seconded by: Danielle Ingham

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

4. Consent Agenda

[AP/Payroll- July 15, 2026](#) 

[Personnel Recommendations- August 6, 2026](#) 

[Interlocal Agreement- Central Washington University, College in the High School, 2026/2027](#)



[Purchase Order # 1902600020- WSRMP Insurance Renewal 2026/2027](#) 

[Donations- August 6, 2026](#) 

Motion to approve consent agenda.

Moved by: Danielle Ingham; seconded by: Nick Sawka

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

5. **Budget Hearings**

[2025/2026 General Fund & Capital Projects Fund Budget Extension](#) 

The budget hearing opened at 6:37pm. Director of Finance, Ben Thomas, presented a 2025/2026 proposed general fund and capital projects fund extension. Following an opportunity for public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:43pm.

[2026/2027 Budget](#) 

Superintendent VanderYacht then announced the opening of the budget hearing for the 2026/2027 proposed budget at 6:43pm. Mr. Thomas's presentation included expenditures by programs, activities & objects as well as revenues by source and program, as well as enrollment projections. His proposed budget also included information on student fines & fees and meal prices as well as information on Capital Projects Fund, Debt Service, ASB Funds, Transportation Vehicle Funds, MSOC disclosures, and an OSPI budget overview. Mr. Thomas also provided the four-year budget summary. Following an opportunity for public comment, the budget hearing was closed at 7:14pm.

6. **Action Items**

[Resolution #14-26: Adoption of General Fund and Capital Projects Fund Budget Extension](#)

[2025/2026](#) 

Motion to approve Resolution #14-26: Adoption of General Fund and Capital Projects Fund Budget Extension for 2025/2026.

Moved by: Nick Sawka; seconded by: Danielle Ingham

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

[Resolution #15-26: Adoption of 2026/2027 Budget](#)

Motion to approve Resolution #15-26: Adoption of the 2026/2027 Budget.

Moved by: Jim Verburg; seconded by: Danielle Ingham

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

7. Information from the Audience

- None

8. Reports

Teaching & Learning

[Presentation- Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program](#)

Superintendent VanderYacht presented the annual report prepared by Michelle Nilsen on the district's Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program as required by Board Policy 2110.

9. Action Items

[Approval of Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program- 2026/2027](#)

Motion to approve the Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program for 2026/2027.

Moved by: Nick Sawka; seconded by: Danielle Ingham

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

[Approval of Interscholastic Activities for 2026/2027](#)

Motion to approve the Interscholastic Activities for 2026/2027.

Moved by: Nick Sawka; seconded by: Jim Verburg

Yes: Jim Verburg, Danny Martinez, Nick Sawka, and Danielle Ingham

Absent: Khush Brar

Carried 4-0

10. Policy

First Readings

[Policy 2022- Electronic Resources and Internet Safety](#)

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 2100- Educational Opportunities for Students with a Parent in the Military](#)

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 2161- Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students](#) 

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 3120- Enrollment](#) 

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 3124- Removal/Release of Students During School Hours](#) 

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 4020- Confidential Communications](#) 

Moved to second reading.

[Policy 6020- System of Funds and Accounts](#) 

Moved to second reading.

11. Board Committee Reports

[Board Committee Reports- 08.06.2026](#) 

In Director Brar's absence, Superintendent VanderYacht shared about the upcoming General Assembly.

12. Adjourn

There being no further agenda items, Director Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

President

Superintendent