

**LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

**LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
April 17, 2024
6:15 P.M.**

GC §54954.2 Requests for disability-related accommodation or modification, including auxiliary aids and services should be made in writing to the Superintendent 48 hours prior to meeting time. Mail to: Laton Unified School District P.O. Box 248 Laton, CA 93242.

I. OPENING OF MEETING

6:15 P.M.

Preliminary

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

A. Board Members	Present	Absent
1. Daniel Vargas, President	_____	_____
2. Nikki Alford, Clerk	_____	_____
3. Guadalupe Andrade	_____	_____
4. Holly Torres	_____	_____
5. Jose Ibarra	_____	_____
 B. Staff in attendance:		
Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent	_____	_____

C. Approval of Minutes for the March 13, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

6:18 P.M.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the March 13, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D. Agenda and/or Emergency Addition [G.C. 54954.2 (b)(2)]

6:20 P.M.

(2/3 approvals required)

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Agenda

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Guadalupe Andrade:
Holly Torres:
Jose Ibarra:

II. PUBLIC HEARING SESSION:

A. Persons addressing the Board must be recognized by the president prior to their remarks. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item as stated in Laton Unified School District Board Bylaw 9323(b). The School Board is prohibited by law from taking action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the School Board does not respond to public comment at this time.

Testimony with regard to complaints against staff is not protected from damage claims for libel. Public charges or allegations may result in legal action being brought by those individuals.

III. DISCUSSION

- A. Day Field Trips **6:22 P.M.**
1. LES 2nd/3rd Grade – Kings Canyon National Park – CA – April 12, 2024
 2. LHS Drama – Madera Theatre Festival – Madera, CA – April 26 & 27, 2024
 3. LMS Drama – Aladdin Performance Broadway – Fresno, CA – May 1, 2024
 4. Laton Preschool – Fresno Chaffee Zoo – Fresno, CA – May 2, 2024
- B. Update on Resolution 23-24 #16 to Proceed Drilling the Well at Laton Elementary School/Laton Middle School Bypassing the Formal Bid Process

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

- A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports
1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent **6:25 P.M.**
 2. Susan Giles - Director of Food Services **6:35 P.M.**
 3. Jessie Betancourt – Research Accountability – Special Projects Coordinator **6:45 P.M.**
 - a. Alexandra Gomez – Community School Liaison
 4. Gustavo Lopez – Director of Facilities **6:55 P.M.**
 5. Jeanna White – Laton Elementary and Laton Middle School Principal **7:05 P.M.**
 6. Lucio Cortez – Laton High School Principal **7:15 P.M.**

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants for March 2024 **7:25 P.M.**

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Accounts Payable Warrants for March 2024

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Jose Ibarra:

B. Approval of 2024-2025 Laton Unified School District Board Meeting Calendar 7:28 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2024-2025 Laton Unified School District Board Calendar

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. Approval of 2024-2025 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators 7:31 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2024-2025 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra :	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D. Approval of Declaration of Need for 30–Day Substitute Teachers and Designate Subjects Career Technical Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits 7:34 P.M.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Declaration of Need for 30–Day Substitute Teachers and Designate Subjects Career Technical Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E. Approval to Update the Facilities Master Plan to Include the Construction of a Working Kitchen for LES/LMS

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve to Update the Facilities Master Plan to Include the Construction of a Working Kitchen for LES/LMS **7:37P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

F. Approval of Revision of Intervention Specialist Job Description

7:40 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Revision of Intervention Specialist Job Description

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

G. Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 2024-2025 Proposal to Laton Unified School District

7:43 P.M.

In accordance with Public Notice Section 3547 of the Government Code, all initial proposals of the public school employees and employees bargaining units are to be presented at a public meeting of the public schools' employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 proposal to the Laton Unified School District for the 2024-2025 school year presented March 14, 2024 meeting of the Board of Education is returned to this agenda for public discussion and Board action acknowledging commencement of negotiations on such proposal. Contact Person: Tammy Alves, telephone 922-4015.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board take the Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 2024-2025 Proposal to Laton Unified School District

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

H. RECEIVE, the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2024-2025 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District

7:46 P.M.

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employees shall be presented at a public meeting of the public schools' employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The California School Employees Association Chapter #513 is submitting its negotiations proposal to the Laton Unified School District for the 2024-2025 school years. This proposal shall be available for public review in the Laton District Office from April 10, 2024 to May 10, 2024. This proposal will be returned to the next agenda for a public hearing and adoption by the Laton Unified School District. Contact Person: Tammy Alves, telephone 922-4015.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2024-2025 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
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Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I. Approval of Overnight Field Trips 7:49 P.M.

1. Laton High School FFA – Stock Show – Paso Robles, CA – April 11-14, 2024

(Approved by the Superintendent Due to Date Change of Board Meeting)

2. Laton High School FFA – State FFA Finals – San Luis Obispo, CA – May 3-4, 2024

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Overnight Field Trips Listed Above

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

J. Fundraisers: 7:52 P.M.

1. Prom Ticket Sale – LHS Class of 2025 – April 11-26, 2024
2. Loaded Bake Potato Sale – LHS Baseball Team – April 26, 2024
3. Take Out Dinner – LHS FFA – May 17, 2024
4. School & Community Car Show & Food Sales – LHS ASB – May 25, 2024

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Fundraisers Listed Above

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

- A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **7:55 P.M.**
- B. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:00 P.M.**
- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:05 P.M.**
- D. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:10 P.M.**
- E. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:15 P.M.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

- A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:20 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 8:23 P.M.

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 8:26 P.M.

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 8:29 P.M.

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 8:32 P.M.

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: 8:35 P.M.

- A.
- B.

At _____, it was moved by _____, seconded by _____ and unanimously -approved to extend the meeting beyond the three (3) hour limit.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by _____, seconded by _____ and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at _____ P.M.

Vote:	Yes	No
Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOTE: The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held in the Laton Unified District Board Room at 6:15 P.M. on Wednesday, May 8, 2024.

Clerk's Signature