

# B ard Highlights

Highlights from the **February 4, 2025** Board of Education Meeting

**Board of Education: Marlys Davidson • Diana D. Hill • Chris Forehan • Farnaz Pardasani • Matt Bragman**

There were several notable moments during the February 4, 2025 Board of Education meeting. The timestamps with each highlight will help you navigate directly to the point in the recorded meeting.

**Workshop - 4:00 p.m.**

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## **School Report: McGaugh Elementary School: *Timestamp 1:00 - 45:40***

The McGaugh Sea Lions brought the Board Room to life with school spirit and celebration! The evening kicked off with the McGaugh Choir's beautiful performance of This Land is Your Land, filling the room with joy. Principal Wendy Wood, alongside two incredible fifth-grade student leaders, shared an inspiring presentation showcasing the remarkable things happening at McGaugh. We were honored to recognize McGaugh Hero of the Heart Cynthia Villa for her dedication and impact on the school community.



## **Classified Employee of the Year: Cynthia Hughes**

***Timestamp: 46:30 - 53:30***

The workshop concluded with a special celebration honoring one of our 2025 District Classified Employees of the year, McGaugh Instructional Assistant for Special Education, Mrs. Cynthia Hughes!



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**Board President's Report: *Timestamp 2:35 - 8:45***

**President Marlys Davidson**

During her Board President's report, Mrs. Davidson highlighted the wide range of STEM activities available to students across the district, from UTK through high school. She emphasized the impact of robotics, engineering, makerspaces, STEM labs, and engaging STEM nights that inspire curiosity and innovation. She also spoke about the state-of-the-art STEM building at Los Alamitos High School, which provides students with incredible opportunities to explore and excel in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

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**Student Board Member Report: *Timestamp 9:00 - 18:45***

**Joseph Claypool**

During his report, Joseph highlighted:

- Activities: Lunar New Year lunch activities
  - Academics: Community College family event
  - Athletics: LAHS Girls' Basketball - Co-Sunset League Champs!
  - Arts: Pep-Band for Basketball Games, for the first-time the band is now attending LAHS Basketball games, and their presence has brought joy and energy.
  - Student Life: Winter Formal
  - Student Spotlight: Jenna Bustos, LAHS Senior and Varsity Cheerleader
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**Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 18:50 - 30:40***

**Dr. Andrew Pulver**

During his report, Dr. Pulver highlighted LAEF's Night Out, the foundation's annual fundraiser that brings the community together to support and enrich opportunities for Los Al USD students. He also recognized Career and Technical Education Month, emphasizing the seven industry-sector CTE pathways at Los Alamitos High School that provide students with valuable hands-on learning experiences. Additionally, he celebrated the District's 2025 Employees of the Month, who will be honored at upcoming Board of Education meetings.

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**Information/Presentations: *Timestamp 1:12:50 - 1:32:00***

- **Presentation of the Local Control and Accountability Mid-Year Plan (LCAP)**
    - Mrs. Melissa Davis presented the Board with a mid-year review of the LCAP. Mrs. Davis shared that the district is on track to meet all of our LCAP goals, actions and services.
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**Consent/Action Items: *Timestamp 1:32:30 - 2:23:00***

Below is a brief summary of the items the Board took action on:

- The Board approved an overnight extended field trip for the Los Alamitos High School Model United Nations students to Oakland, March 7-9
  - The Board approved an agreement with Hinge Education to provide professional development to Los Alamitos Unified secondary teachers
  - The Board approved the first reading of the following revised Board Policies: Board Policy 9240 - Board Training, Board Policy 3100 - Budget, Board Policy 6174 - Education for English Learners, Board Policy 6170.1 - Transitional Kindergarten, and the Board approved the first reading of new Board Policy 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement
  - The Board adopted Resolution 2024-2025-14 Career Technical Education Month
  - The Board tabled the approval the Los Alamitos Unified District reading list for grades 3-12 for a future meeting
  - The Board approved Schools' Forward Funding Plans
  - The Board approved the Comprehensive Safe School Plans
  - The Board approved the adoption of 2025-26 Budget Calendar
  - The Board provided the final approval of the PARS Supplemental Retirement Plan based on the plan meeting the District's fiscal and operational objectives.
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**Next Board of Education Meeting:**

**Tuesday, March 11, 2025**

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