Los Alamitos Unified School District

# Beard Highlights

Highlights from the March 11, 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 March 11, 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. YouTube Link to View

#### School Report: Weaver Elementary School *Timestamp*: 1:30 - 33:00

The Board of Education meeting kicked off with the "We Are Weaver" community filling the room with excitement. The evening began with the Weaver choir's performance of *Man in the Mirror*. Principal Dr. Schmidt, joined by two 5th-grade ambassadors, shared what makes Weaver special and the strong sense of community that brings everyone together. They ended by honoring their Hero of the Heart, Ms. Francie Ghose, for her kindness and dedication to the Weaver family.





#### Classified Employee of the Year: Mrs. Heather Sherrill, Administrative Assistant, Special Education/Mental Health *Timestamp: 34:00 - 45:00*

During the workshop, we had the privilege of honoring Heather Sherrill, one of our 2025 District Classified Employees of the Year. We are also thrilled to share that Heather has been selected as one of just nine Orange County Classified Employees of the Year! Her dedication and impact on our students and families are truly remarkable, and we couldn't be prouder to celebrate this well-deserved recognition.



#### Board President's Report: *Timestamp 2:30 - 9:45* Mrs. Marlys Davidson:

During her presentation, President Davidson highlighted the District's Aspiring Leaders Program. She explained that the program, designed to build leadership skills, has 16 sessions over a two year cohort, where employees volunteer their time to learn leadership lessons and participate in shadow days, shadowing current administrators and learning different aspects of leadership. They also partner with site administrators to implement a leadership project at their school site. She specifically highlighted Mrs. Nicole Walters, a 4th-grade teacher at Weaver Elementary, who shadowed Nichole Pichardo, the District's Communications and Public Information Officer.

#### Student Board Member Report: Timestamp 10:00 - 24:00

#### Joseph Claypool

During his report, Joseph highlighted:

- Activities: Kindness Club's School Wide Book Drive, happening now through March 28th to help fire victims
- Academics: American Chemistry Society Club (ACS), students who prepare for very difficult national ACS exam.
- Athletics: Los Alamitos Ice Hockey Team
- Arts: The District Wide Improv Show
- Student Life: Boys Basketball CIF Finals, a school-wide trip to the Toyota Arena to cheer them on!
- Student Spotlight: Adam Kogen, a passionate student entrepreneur and president of the LAHS Snow Sports Club

## Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 24:00 - 35:00*

Dr. Andrew Pulver

During his report, Dr. Pulver highlighted the LAHS Emergency Response Pathway, recently recognized as a Law Enforcement and Public Safety Education Network National Program of Excellence. He also celebrated LAHS senior Angelina Reigelhuth, honored at the ACSA Every Student Succeeding event and set to represent the district at the state level. Additionally, he shared highlights from the All-District Improv Show and All-District Choral Festival before concluding with a celebration of the December and January Rock Stars of the Month.

#### Presentation of Supplemental Materials: *Timestamp 1:27:10 - 1:28:15*

Deputy Superintendent, Mrs. Ondrea Reed, presented the following supplemental material, which will be on preview at the District office for the next 30 days: Amira - Dyslexia Screening Tool

#### Consent/Action Items: Timestamp 1:29:10 - 2:40:22

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

- The Board approved the second reading and approval of the following revised Board Policies: Board Policy 9240 Board Training, Board Policy 6174 Education for English Learners, Board Policy 6170.1 Transitional Kindergarten, Board Policy 3100 Budget, and Board Policy 5145.13 Response to Immigration Enforcement (adding back in statement "irrespective of their citizenship or immigration status")
- The Board approved the following supplemental materials: *y* el mural de by Mira Canion, La France en danger et les secrets de Picasso by Mira Canion, and *mClass*, *Rapid Online Assessment of Reading* (*ROAR*), and *Multitudes* Dyslexia Screening Tools.
- The Board approved the Los Alamitos Unified School District Reading List for grades 3-12
- The Board approved the <u>2024-25 Second Interim Report</u>, 2024-25 Revised Budget, and Certification of Financial Condition as presented by Mrs. Elvia Galicia, Asst. Superintendent of Business Services
- The Board approved the appointment of members of the Los Al USD Facilities Improvement District No. 1 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.
- The Board approved 16 revised job descriptions and one new job classification and description. Revised job descriptions can be viewed in the <u>meeting agenda.</u>
- The Board approved Resolution 2024-2025-16 Elimination or Reduction of Classified Services Positions
- The Board approved Resolution 2024-2025-17 Elimination or Reduction of Certificated Services Positions
- The Board adopted Resolution 2024-2025-15 authorizing moving the holiday observance of Lincoln's Birthday from Feb. 12, 2026 to Feb. 17, 2026