LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
August 13, 2025
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 _____ _____

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C. Approval of Minutes for the July 9, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and July 28, 2025 Special Board Meeting **6:18 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the July 9, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and July 28, 2025 Special Board Meeting

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

E. Agenda and/or Emergency Addition [G.C. 54954.2 (b)(2)] **6:20 P.M.**

(2/3 approvals required)

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Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Agenda

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	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: **6:23 P.M.**

A. Day Field Trips

1. LHS AVID - Career Day @ Oracle Park – San Francisco, CA – August 28, 2025

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports

1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent **6:25 P.M.**
   a. Rachel Fox – Learning Director, Summer Professional Learning Update
2. Stacy Avila - Community Schools Coordinator **6:35 P.M.**
3. Susan Giles – Director of Food Services **6:45 P.M.**
4. Jesus Aldaco – Lead Custodian **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 July 2025 **7:25 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Accounts Payable Warrants for July 2025

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

B. Approval of Revised 2025-2026 Laton Unified School District School Calendar **7:28 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Revised 2025-2026 Laton Unified School District School Calendar

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

C. Approval of Fresno County Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2025

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Fresno County Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2025 **7:31 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

D. Approval of Change Order 3 for Project 2346 from Prime Time Construction for Laton Elementary School Relocatable Classrooms and Toilet Building **7:34 P.M.**

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Change Order 3 for Project 2346 from Prime Time Construction for Laton Elementary School Relocatable Classrooms and Toilet Building

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

E. Approval of Change Order 4 for Project 2301from Katch Environmental for the LES TK/K Building **7:37 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Change Order 4 for Project 2301from Katch Environmental for the LES TK/K Building

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

F. Approval of Tentative Agreement Between Laton Unified School District and the Laton Federation of Teachers **7:40 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Tentative Agreement Between Laton Unified School District and the Laton Federation of Teachers

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

G. Approval of Authorized Signature Permit **7:43 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Authorized Signature Permit

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

H. Fundraisers: **7:46 P.M.**

1. Donation Letter – LHS Class of 2026, 2025-2026 School year
2. Donation Letter – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year
3. Ice Cream/Paleta Sale – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year
4. Canes Fundraiser – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year
5. Mustang Store – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year
6. Carl's Jr Fundraiser – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year
7. Concession During Sports Events & Other Events – LHS ASB, 2025-2026 School year

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

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **7:49 P.M.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **7:54 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: **7:57 P.M.**

A.

B.

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

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote:	Yes	No
Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
Guadalupe Andrade:	☐	☐
Holly Torres:	☐	☐
Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

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, September 10, 2025.

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Clerk's Signature