

Aberdeen School District No. 5

Summary of School Board of Directors Meeting

(Not official minutes)

February 17, 2026

Vice President Suzy Ritter convened the regular meeting of the Aberdeen School District Board of Directors at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at Miller Junior High School. In attendance were Directors Mardi Eward-Colburn, Jeanne Marll and Annica Mizin, along with Student Representatives Kassandra Kumarasinghe and Leticia Alvarenga, Superintendents Lynn Green and Traci Sandstrom and 21 patrons and staff. President Jennifer Durney was excused but was able to join remotely at 5:40 p.m.

The meeting began with the flag salute.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, which included:

1. Minutes from the regular meeting on February 3, 2026;
2. Payroll vouchers for January totaling \$4,281,872.48;
3. General Fund vouchers totaling \$866,843.61, ASB Fund vouchers totaling \$47,885.09 and Capital Projects Fund vouchers totaling \$475,507.55;
4. Overnight and Out-of-State Trip Requests for
 - a. The boys and girls wrestling teams at Aberdeen High School to travel to Lakewood to participate in the state tournament on Feb. 19-21, and
 - b. The boys swim team at Aberdeen High School to travel to Federal Way to participate in the state tournament on Feb. 19-21;
5. Gifts to the district for Aberdeen Rotary Business Week at Aberdeen High School of more than \$14,000.00 from the following:
 - a. Weyerhaeuser, \$937.50,
 - b. Peak Credit Union, \$1,200.00,
 - c. Greater Grays Harbor/Timberland Bank, \$2,500.00,
 - d. Ingram, Zelasko & Goodwin, \$1,000.00,
 - e. Sierra Pacific Foundation, \$1,000.00,
 - f. Aberdeen Rotary, \$7,500.00, and
 - g. Harbor Pacific Bottling, product donations, and
6. A gift of plywood for use in the construction program at Aberdeen High School valued at \$6,996.20 from Hoquiam Plywood.

Student Representatives

Student Representatives Kassandra Kumarasinghe and Leticia Alvarenga provided updates on activities and events at the Harbor Learning Center and Aberdeen High School.

Comments from the Public

Jerry Salstrom, retired district administrator, shared information about the time capsule at Miller Junior High School and the students' efforts to document and celebrate the school's history.

Miller Annual Report

Principal John Meers and Assistant Principal Kasey Robbins presented the annual report and school improvement plan for Miller Junior High School.

Old Business

Policy 5011 Sexual Harassment of Staff Prohibited

An update and second reading for Policy 5011 regarding the prohibition on the sexual harassment of staff was extended.

Policy 5010 Discrimination-Free Workplace

An update to Policy 5010 regarding a discrimination-free workplace was adopted.

Superintendent Reports

1. Professional Development Day – Superintendent Sandstrom provide an overview of the various staff trainings that took place in the district earlier in the day.
2. Seismic Safe Schools and Capital Projects – The superintendents were joined by Manuel Saldivar-Aguirre of the ESD 112 Construction Services Group who provided an update on the Seismic Safe Schools Program. The Board approved the following:
 - a. The educational specifications report from TCF Architecture for new elementary schools in Aberdeen, including detailed specifications for the new elementary school in South Aberdeen.
 - b. A revision in the amount of \$22,500 to the contract with Haley & Aldrich to conduct additional geotechnical analysis at the site for the new Harbor Learning Center.
2. CTE Program Update – Superintendent Green shared information about recent events in support of the Career and Technical Education Program, including how the staff and students were able to showcase CTE offerings by hosting an after-hours event for Greater Grays Harbor Inc.
3. Legislative Update – Superintendent Sandstrom provided an update on education-related bills and proposals that are currently under consideration in the Legislature.
4. Portrait of a Graduate – The superintendents provided an update on the work taking place to implement the mission, vision, values and goals embedded in the Portrait of a Graduate.

Financial Services

Fiscal Status Report

Executive Director of Business and Operations Elyssa Louderback presented the Fiscal Status Report for January. With 42 percent of the fiscal year elapsed, the district has received 38 percent of expected revenue and incurred 41 percent of budgeted expenses. Under enrollment, she reported the district is trending 3.72 FTE above budget after the February count.

New Business

Printer Purchases

The Board approved the purchase of 82 printers to replace outdated equipment.

Next Meeting

Vice President Ritter announced that the next regular meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, 2026, in the Community Room at Aberdeen High School. A board workshop is planned for 9 a.m. Saturday, March 7.

Personnel Report

Following an executive session, the Board approved the Personnel Report and an assignment exception for Matthew Boyes, a special education teacher.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.