



Issaquah School District #411

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Special Board Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2026 (Work Study / Retreat)

Call to Order – 9:05 a.m.

The March 23, 2026 special meeting was held in-person at the ISD Administration Center (5150 220th Ave. SE, Issaquah, WA 98029) and over Zoom. Board President A.J. Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Opening and Welcome – 9:05 a.m.

The Board met for a work study in the Administration Center Boardroom. President Taylor, Board Directors Natalie Anderson, Harlan Gallinger, Matt Coyne, and Sydne Mullings along with Superintendent Tow-Yick and members of the ISD Administration were present to hold the first day of the School Board Retreat. The second day is scheduled for April 1, 2026.

Overview of Coherent Governance and History in Issaquah – 9:15 a.m.

Past Board Directors Suzanne Weaver and Marnie Maraldo joined the session to provide an overview of the transition to coherent governance and the history of Issaquah School District board governance.

Long Range Planning: Enrollment and Budget – 11:00 a.m.

Martin Turney, Chief of Finance and Operations, Moriah Banasick, Executive Director of Finance and Budget, and Jason Golec, Chief Information and Technology Officer presented enrollment and budget projections and work group recommendations.

Lunch – 12:30 p.m.

New High School Campus Program, Structure, and Operational Implications – 1:15 p.m.

Jacqueline Downey, Assistant Superintendent, Martin Turney, Chief of Finance and Operations, Donna Hood, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Jason Morse, Executive Director of Operations, Sherri Kokx, Executive Director of Secondary Education, Julia Bamba, Principal on Special Assignment, Lisa Neighbours, Director of CTE and Secondary STEM, and Tom Mullins, Director of Capital Projects presented design plans for the new high school and discussed program structure and costs.

Special Services and Inclusionary Practices Overview and Updates – 3:00 p.m.

Jacqueline Downey, Assistant Superintendent, Sharine Carver, Executive Director of Special Services, Rich Mellish, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning Services, and Stephanie King, Director of Integrated Multi-Tiered Systems of Support discussed the progress of the district's efforts to address opportunity gaps by continually improving our work in meeting the range of learner needs.

Adjournment – 4:30 p.m.