

**LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

**LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
April 15, 2026
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. Student Board Members		
1. Jessica Gomez – LHS	_____	_____
2. Ariana Murillo – LMS	_____	_____
C. Staff in attendance:		
Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent	_____	_____

D. Approval of Minutes for the March 11, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

6:18 P.M.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the March 11, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E. Agenda and/or Emergency Addition [G.C. 54954.2 (b)(2)]

6:20 P.M.

(2/3 approvals required)

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Agenda

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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:

6:25 P.M.

- A. First Reading of Update to Board Policy, Administrative Regulations, Exhibits, and Board Bylaws
1. AP 3311 Bids
 2. BP 3311 Bids
 3. BP 3312 Contracts
- B. Day Field Trips
1. LES 5th Grade – History Museum/CA Science Center – Los Angeles, CA – April 24, 2026
 2. LHS – Lemoore College Eagle Days – Lemoore, CA – April 24, 2026
 3. LHS ASB Leadership – Universal Studios – Hollywood, CA – April 25, 2026

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

- A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports
1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent **6:30 P.M.**
 - a. Rachel Knod – Gonzalez Architect, Laton Elementary School Kitchen Replacement Project – Conceptual Design and Site Plan Presentation
 2. Patty Nuñez – Chief Business Official **6:40 P.M.**
 3. Mike Garcia - Lead Maintenance **6:50 P.M.**
 4. Miriam Segura – Community Liaison **7:00 P.M.**
 5. Susan Giles - Director of Food Services **7:10 P.M.**
 6. Jeanna White – Laton Elementary and Laton Middle School Principal **7:20 P.M.**
 7. Lucio Cortez – Laton High School Principal **7:30 P.M.**

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants for March 2026 7:40 P.M.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Accounts Payable Warrants for March 2026

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B. Approval of 2026-2027 Laton Unified School District Board Meeting Calendar 7:43 P.M

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2026-2027 Laton Unified School District Board Calendar

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. Approval of AVID Conference on August 3-5, 2026 – Not to Exceed \$6,500 7:46 P.M.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the AVID Conference on August 3-5, 2026 – Not to Exceed \$6,500

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D. Approval of Resolution 25-26 #15 Authorization of the 2026-2027 TRAN 7:49 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 25-26 #15 Authorization of the 2026-2027 TRAN

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E. Approval of Resolution 25-26 #16 for Temporary Inter-fund Transfer for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 School Year 7:52 P.M.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 25-26 #16 for Temporary Inter-fund Transfer for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 School Year

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

F. Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 2026-2027 Proposal to Laton Unified School District **7:55 P.M.**

In accordance with Public Notice Section 3547 of the Government Code, all initial proposals of the public school employees and employees bargaining units are to be presented at a public meeting of the public schools’ employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 proposal to the Laton Unified School District for the 2026-2027 school year presented March 11, 2026 meeting of the Board of Education is returned to this agenda for public discussion and Board action acknowledging commencement of negotiations on such proposal. Contact Person: Tammy Alves, telephone 922-4015.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board take the Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the Laton Federation of Teachers, Local 3278 2026-2027 Proposal to Laton Unified School District

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

G. Approval of Financial Audit Agreement for 2026, 2027, and 2028 Fiscal Years **7:58 P.M.**

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Financial Audit Agreement for 2026, 2027, and 2028 Fiscal Years

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

H. Approval of Certification of Corrective Action 2024-25 Audit Finding and Recommendations

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Certification of Corrective Action 2024-25 Audit Finding and Recommendations **8:01 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Guadalupe Andrade:
Holly Torres:
Jose Ibarra:

I. Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy **8:04 P.M.**

1. AP 9270 Disclosure Categories
2. BP 9270 – Conflict of Interest

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

J. Approval of Overnight Field Trip **8:07 P.M.**

1. LHS FFA – State Finals – San Luis Obispo, CA – May 1-2, 2026

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Overnight Field Trip listed above

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

K. Fundraisers: **8:10 P.M.**

1. Rodeo Parking – LHS Cheer/Athletics – April 11-12, 2026
2. Bake Sale/Agua Frescas – LHS ASB Leadership – May 2026

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

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

- A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:13 P.M.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:18 P.M.**

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: 8:21 P.M.

- A.
- B.

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

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote:	Yes	No
Daniel Vargas:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nikki Alford:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guadalupe Andrade:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holly Torres:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jose Ibarra:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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, May 13, 2026.

Clerk's Signature