LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
May 13, 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 Garcia	_____	_____
4. Holly Torres	_____	_____
5. Jose Ibarra	_____	_____
B. Student Board Members		
1. Vacant – LHS	_____	_____
2. Ariana Murillo – LMS	_____	_____
C. Staff in attendance:		
Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent	_____	_____

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D. Approval of Minutes for the April 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting **6:18 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the April 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	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 Garcia:	☐	☐
	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: **6:25 P.M.**

A. First Reading of Update to Board Policy, Administrative Regulations, Exhibits, and Board Bylaws

1. AP 6172.1 Concurrent Enrollment In College Classes
2. BP 6172.1 Concurrent Enrollment In College Classes

B. Day Field Trips

1. LHS ROP Video Production – Rock Film Festival – Visalia, CA – May 8, 2026
2. LES TK/K – Fresno Chaffee Zoo – Fresno, CA – May 15, 2026
3. LES 3rd Grade – Fossil Discovery Center – Chowchilla, CA – May 21, 2026
4. LES/LMS Dual Immersion – Arte Americas – Fresno, CA – May 22, 2026
5. LES 1st Grade – Scout Island – Fresno, CA – May 22, 2026
6. LES 4th Grade – Yosemite Sugar Pine Railroad – Fish Camp, CA – May 28, 2026
7. LMS 8th Grade – Santa Cruz Beach – Santa Cruz, CA – May 28, 2026
8. LES Dual Immersion – Arte Americas – Fresno, CA – May 29, 2026
9. LMS – Cal Poly University – San Luis Obispo, CA – May 29, 2026

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports

1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent **6:30 P.M.**
2. Patty Nuñez – Chief Business Official **6:40 P.M.**
3. Jesse Aldaco - Lead Custodian **6:50 P.M.**
4. Arly Niño – Community Liaison **7:00 P.M.**

5. Sue Vang – Director of Technology **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.**
   a. Career Pathways at LHS and Expanding Science Course Options

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

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

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

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

B. Approval of 2025-2026 Laton Unified School District's Third Interim Report **7:43 P.M**.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2025-2026 Laton Unified School District's Third Interim Report

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

C. Approval of Resolution 25-26 #19 Adopting the District's Third Interim Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 **7:46 P.M**.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 25-26 #19 Adopting the District's Third Interim Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

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

D. Approval of Resolution 25-26 # 20 to Rescind the Certificated Layoff Notice **7:49 P.M**.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 25-26 # 20 to Rescind the Certificated Layoff Notice

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐

Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
Holly Torres:	☐	☐
Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

E. Approval of 2026-2027 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators **7:52 P.M**.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2026-2027 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

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

F. Approval of Declaration of Need for 30–Day Substitute Teachers and Designate Subjects Career Technical Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits **7:55 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Declaration of Need for 30–Day Substitute Teachers and Designate Subjects Career Technical Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits

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

G. Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2026 **7:58 P.M.**

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Fresno County Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2026

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

H. RECEIVE, the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District **8:01 P.M**.

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employees shall be presented at a public meeting of the public schools' employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The California School Employees Association Chapter #513 is submitting its negotiations proposal to the Laton Unified School District for the 2026-2029 school years. This proposal shall be available for public review in the Laton District Office from May 13, 2026 to

June 10, 2026. This proposal will be returned to the next agenda for a public hearing and adoption by the Laton Unified School District. Contact Person: Tammy Alves, telephone 922-4015.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District

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

I. Approval of Laton Unified School District Proposition 39/Measure L Bond Building Fund Year Ending June 30, 2025 Financial Audit Report **8:04 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Laton Unified School District Proposition 39/Measure L Bond Building Fund Year Ending June 30, 2025 Financial Audit Report

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

J. Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy **8:07 P.M.**

1. AP 3311 Bids
2. BP 3311 Bids
3. BP 3312 Contracts

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

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

K. Approval of Overnight Field Trip **8:10 P.M.**

1. LHS Class of 2026 – Disneyland Grad Night – Anaheim, CA – May 28-29, 2026

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

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

L. Fundraisers: **8:13 P.M.**

1. Fruit Cup Sale – LHS Class of 2028 – May 18-22, 2026
2. Kiss the Senior Goodbye – LHS Class of 2028 – May 18-22, 2026
3. Pie a Teacher – LHS Class of 2028 – May 26-29, 2026
4. Concession at Graduation – ASB Leadership – June 4-5, 2026

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

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

M. Approval of Resolution 25-26 #21 Pertaining to Order of Election, and Specifications of the Election Order **8:16 P.M**.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 25-26 #21 Pertaining to Order of Election, and Specifications of the Election Order

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

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:19 P.M.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:24 P.M.**

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: **8:27 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:	☐	☐
Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
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, June 10, 2026.

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Clerk's Signature