



**Issaquah School District #411
Board Minutes – April 9, 2026**

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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:04 p.m.

Board President A.J. Taylor called the April 9, 2026, meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the ISD Administration Center at 6:04 p.m. Present along with President Taylor, were Board Directors Natalie Anderson and Sydne Mullings, Superintendent Heather

Tow-Yick and ISD Administrators. Directors Matt Coyne and Harlan Gallinger were not present for this meeting.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Please note: Because regular Issaquah School Board meetings are recorded and made available in their entirety, minutes will reflect board action/direction and general topic discussion only.

Public Comment – 6:04 p.m.

Trustee Amy Miller from the Issaquah Schools Foundation invited the Board to the Nourish Every Mind Student Showcase on April 30, 2026.

Public Comment:

- Jeffrey Su, Maywood Re: Student safety

Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:12 p.m.

Board Director Mullings moved the consent agenda be approved as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda items are as follows:

1. Approved the 2025-2026 OSPI Asset Preservation Program Ratings Report for Endeavour Elementary School – Main Building, Creekside Elementary School – Main Building, Pacific Cascade Middle School – Main Building, Beaver Lake Middle School – Main Building, and Skyline High School – Main Level, as presented;
2. Approved for payment General vouchers 453112 through 453673 in the total amount of \$3,411,159.63; Capital Projects vouchers 453112 through 453673 in the total amount of \$408,944.77; ASB vouchers 453112 through 453673 in the total amount of \$456,591.44; Payroll vouchers 193661 through 193728 in the total amount of \$4,890,192.87; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$22,431,485.20; Electronic Transfer – Dept. of Rev in the total amount of \$3,680.52; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$21,693.88; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$1,011.59; as presented;
3. Approved the adoption of the new US History Curriculum, as presented;
4. Approved the minutes for the for the March 26, 2026 regular board meeting, March 26, 2026 special



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board meeting – work study, and April 1, 2026 special board meeting – work study / retreat, as presented;

5. Approved the Certificated Employee Resignations/Retirements/Non-Renewals (2025-26), as presented; *
6. Approved the Certificated Leaves of Absence (2025-26), as presented; *
7. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/ Employee Agreements; *
8. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2025-26), as presented; *
9. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2025-26), as presented; *

* personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the [archived agenda](#) for this meeting.

Establishment of the Regular Agenda – 6:14 p.m.

There were no changes to the regular agenda.

Board Retreat Recap – 6:14 p.m.

The Board recapped the board retreat held on March 23 and April 1, 2026.

Work Study Recap- 6:25 p.m.

The Board provided an update on the work study that was held before the Board Meeting to discuss the 2026-27 Budget.

Works in Progress – 6:29 p.m.

Superintendent Tow-Yick updated the Board on various projects and activities around the District.

Capital Projects Update – 6:35 p.m.

Martin Turney, Chief of Finance and Operations, and Tom Mullins, Director of Capital Projects, updated the Board on Capital Projects.



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Monitoring Report for Operational Expectation 17 Sustainability (OE-17) – 6:44 p.m.

Director Mullings moved the Board accept the monitoring report for Operational Expectation

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Sustainability (OE-17), as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

- None

Student advisory vote – 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

The Board and Administration held a discussion prior to the vote. Student Representative Laya Dhillip presented her student report.

2026-27 Budget Update - 7:09 p.m.

Martin Turney, Chief of Finance and Operations, and Moriah Banasick, Executive Director of Finance and Budget, shared a brief update on the 2026-27 budget.

Strategic Plan Update - Priority Area 3 Diverse Talent and Priority Area 4 Authentic Engagement – 7:56 p.m.

The Administration updated the Board on the Strategic Plan – Priority Area 3 Diverse Talent and Priority Area 4 Authentic Engagement.

Legislative Update – 8:22 p.m.

Director Anderson had no items to bring forward regarding legislation as it pertains to education. Superintendent Tow-Yick shared that Rep. My-Linh Thai from District 41 visited a Pine Lake Middle School class today. The team will also start engaging with legislators.

Announcements and Correspondence – 8:23 p.m.

This is a standing opportunity for the Board to share announcements and correspondence. Please note that correspondence related to specific students and staff are not listed, in alignment with our district regulation on student privacy and civility.



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The Board reported the following correspondence since the last meeting:

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| • A. Veerappan | Re: Food policy |
| • J. Aguirre | Re: New high school |
| • L. Lee | Re: AI integration |
| • A. Randall | Re: New high school |
| • S. Mundru | Re: Grading |
| • S. Grinius-Hill | Re: New high school |
| • A. Smedley | Re: Teacher headcount |
| • N. Tarek | Re: Online summer school |

Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 8:24 p.m.

The Board reviewed and identified topics for future board meeting agendas as well scheduled special meetings and work sessions.

School Improvement Plans – Scheduling for Fall of 2026

- Elementary Schools and Secondary Schools
- 2 meetings, 3-hour time blocks
- Nov. 2 - Dec. 17, 2026

It was decided that scheduling will be held for a future date, to include Directors Gallinger and Coyne.

Adjournment: 8:25 p.m.

These minutes were approved as presented at the May 7, 2026 board meeting.