Los Alamitos Unified School District

Board Highlights

Highlights from the **May 12, 2026** Board of Education Meeting

Board of Education: Diana D. Hill • Chris Forehan • Farnaz Pardasani • Matt Bragman • Marlys Davidson

There were several notable moments during the May 12, 2026 Board of Education workshop and meeting, and the timestamps provided with each highlight will allow you to easily navigate to those points in the recorded meeting.

Workshop - 3:45 p.m. : YouTube Link to View

Workshop: ***Timestamp: 1:00 - 1:14:00:*** The Board recognized and honored the following groups and staff.

District Hero of Heart
Mrs. Virginia Wilson

District Admin of the Year/
Orange County CTE Admin of the Year
Dr. Dan Bennett

District Teacher of the Year and an
Orange County Teacher of the Year
Mrs. Megan Avalos

District Employee of the Year
Mrs. Jennie Bain

CCEE Excellence in Teaching Award
Mr. Brandon Heart

LAHS Song Team/U.S. National Junior Pom Team
Junior World Champions

Five Year Professional
Development Cohort

Exemplary & Distinguished Educators
Professional Cohort

Community Advisory Committee
Award Recipients

Open Session - 6:00 p.m.: YouTube Link to View

Student Board Member Report, Brynn Schmidt: ***Timestamp 2:20 - 9:00*** During her final report, Brynn highlighted:

- **Activities:** Griffin Games and Teacher Cannonball/Diving contest
- **Academics:** AP Testing, highlighting that 1,149 students are taking 2,526 AP test across 31 subjects!
- **Athletics:** Athletic Signing Day, honoring 46 LAHS student athletes who committed to continuing their athletic and academic careers at the collegiate level.
- **Arts:** Senior Improv Show
- **Student Life:** Griffin Games
- **Student Spotlight:** Violet Murphy, an exceptional senior who is highly involved on campus both academically and socially and will be attending Yale University this fall!

Superintendent's Report: ***Timestamp 9:30 - 25:50***
Dr. Andrew Pulver
Dr. Pulver began his report by celebrating several achievements across the District, including our LAEF Teachers of the Year, Employee Appreciation Month, and Lee Elementary second-grader Mivaan Shah, who earned the National PTA Reflections Award of Excellence for his artwork titled "Unique Cultures." He also highlighted upcoming end-of-year activities and promotion schedules taking place across all school sites and reminded the community about the Board of Education's summer meeting calendar, including that there will be no Board meetings in July and that summer meetings will begin at 4 p.m. instead of 6 p.m. Additionally, Dr. Pulver spotlighted the District's Child Development Center preschool program and the important role it plays in supporting our youngest learners and families.

Recognition of Brynn Schmidt - Student Board Rep 25-26 and Introduction of Emma Jimenez-Student Board Rep 26-27: ***Timestamp: 26:00 - 40:35***
The Board recognized Brynn for her incredible leadership as our Student Board Representative and also introduced our new representative for the upcoming school year, Emma Jimenez.

Los Alamitos Education Foundation (LAEF) Community Report and Honoring Executive Director Carrie Logue: ***Timestamp 41:25 - 1:06:30***
Los Alamitos Education Foundation Executive Director Carrie Logue provided the Board and community with an overview of LAEF, its history, and the incredible impact the organization has had on Los Alamitos USD schools, students, and staff. Her presentation highlighted the many ways LAEF supports the district, including Innovation Grants, after-school programs, summer learning opportunities, scholarships, and the annual State of the District event. Since 2013, LAEF has donated more than $3.6 million to support Los Al USD programs and students through the generosity of the community. Additionally, the Board of Education and District Leadership honored Carrie for her 12.5 years of service as Executive Director of LAEF as she prepares to move on from her role. The Board thanked her for her leadership, dedication, and lasting impact on Los Alamitos USD and the broader community.

Information/Presentations: ***Timestamp: 2:02:00 - 2:05:40***

- **The Los Alamitos Education Association's (LAEA Initial Proposal for 2026-27 to the Los Alamitos Unified School District:** LAEA proposes to open negotiations for the 2026-2027 school year on Article V - Hours of Employment and Duties, as well as salary and benefits.
- **Los Alamitos Unified School District Initial Proposal for 2026-27 to the Los Alamitos Education Association:** The District proposes to open negotiations for 2026-2027 with the Los Alamitos Education Association (LAEA) on Article V – Hours of Employment and Duties as well as salary and benefits.
- **Public Hearing on Los Alamitos Education Association's (LAEA) and Los Alamitos Unified School District's initial proposals to open negotiations for the 2026-2027 school year**

Consent/Action Items: ***Timestamp 2:06:00 - 2:14:11***
Below is a brief summary of the items the Board took action on:

- The Board approved the adoption of Retirement Resolutions
- The Board approved the adoption of Resolution 2025-2026-23 Order of Biennial Trustee Election and Specifications of the Election Order
- The Board approved the number of words to be to be contained in governing Board Member candidate's statement
- The Board approved the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators in the 2026–2027 school year
- The Board approved Warrants and Donations as submitted
- The Board approved Classified and Certificated Personnel reports as submitted

Next Board of Education Workshop/Meeting: Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 4 p.m.
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