

RAINIER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 307
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2026 – 6:00 p.m. – DISTRICT OFFICE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT - Jerry Sprouffske, Rebecca Stillings, Dana Spivey, Edgar Ooms and Amanda Siemandel.

STAFF MEMBERS, STUDENTS & PUBLIC PRESENT – Bryon Bahr, LeAnn Bennett, Rita Meldrum, John Beckman, Katelyn Eckroth and Dakota Gardner.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Sprouffske called the board meeting to order at 6:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHANGES TO AGENDA – Agenda item #5b. FFA Overnight Stay Approval for a field trip was added to the April agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Director Spivey made a motion to approve the March 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

PAYROLL/VOUCHERS - Director Siemandel made a motion to approve the voucher amounts as listed and Director Stillings seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

	<i>Warrants & Direct Deposits</i>	<i>Totals</i>	<i>Estimates</i>
<i>Payroll & Benefits</i>	900024504-900024669	1,148,473.71	1,150,000.00
<i>General Fund</i>	74117673-74117730	229,833.33	250,000.00
<i>ASB Fund</i>	74403285-74403306	25,651.42	25,000.00
<i>Capital Projects</i>	74200226-74200230	291,262.71	291,262.71

AUDIENCE INPUT/PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment.

FFA OVERNIGHT STAY APPROVAL – Director Stillings made a motion to approve overnight stay for 9 FFA students to attend a conference at WSU on May 14-16, 2026. Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

POLICY 5005 – UPDATE/APPROVAL- Employment: Disclosures, Certification Requirements, Assurances and Approval – 1st Reading. The Board unanimously recommended a 2nd reading at the May Board meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT – LeAnn Bennett, Business Manager reported on the March Budget Status and Cash Analysis Report. April Enrollment was reported at 942.22 total FTE which is up 5.22 students from our budgeted FTE of 937.

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – Student Board Representative, Dakota Gardner, expressed her appreciation for the great opportunity to attend a Senior Center lunch

with Superintendent Bahr. Katelyn Eckroth also gave a report on the sports programs and announced the upcoming Prom night.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS - Rita Meldrum- Elementary Principal and John Beckman- MS/HS Principal gave reports on the highlights from the past month.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Superintendent Bahr provided updates on several district matters including:

- The Washington State School Directors' Association (WSSDA) Region D-5 meeting being held in Tenino on April 30 at 6:00 p.m. Please let me know if you would like to go.
- Summer projects are moving forward as planned. At the May Board meeting, Bob Marney will provide an update, including a detailed schedule and key project timelines.
- **Senior Center Partnership:** Mr. Beckman and I had the opportunity to take 10 students to the Senior Center for lunch and a visit. It was a great experience for both our students and community members. In return, ASB is planning to host senior center members at the high school later in May.

Career Day will be held on Thursday, April 23rd, of the 41 Careers that they have coming, half are past graduates of RHS!

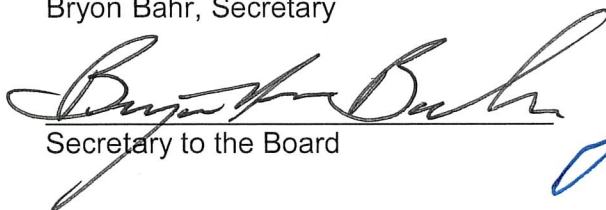
- **State Testing:**
 - Testing began April 22nd at the Middle and High School.
 - Elementary testing will begin on April 28th.
- As a reminder, McKinstry completed an audit related to the Clean Buildings Act, identifying approximately \$20 million in facility improvements. We are currently utilizing our \$6 million modernization grant to address priority needs. Bob is already preparing for the next \$6 million grant cycle, with plans to use the existing audit to guide prioritization.

ADJOURN - Director Siemandel made a motion to adjourn the Regular School Board Meeting and Director Spivey seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0. Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING – Wednesday, May 20, 2026 @ 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Bryon Bahr, Secretary

Approved by:
Jerry F. Sprouffske



Secretary to the Board



Chairman of the Board

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