



School District of Onalaska
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2026 6:00 p.m.
District Office - 237 2nd Ave S, Onalaska, WI

Board of Education

Aaron McDonald	President
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Brian Haefs	Clerk
Mark Cassellius	Treasurer
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Tesia Marshik	Director

Administration

Ben Barton	Superintendent
Tyler Hougom	Director of Finance and Business Services
Lish Olson	Director of Instructional Services
Laurie Enos	Director of Student Services
Sonya Ganther	Director of Human Resources
Jared Schaffner	Onalaska High School Principal
Charlie Ihle	Onalaska High School Associate Principal
Jason Thiry	Onalaska High School Associate Principal/Activities Director
Ben Burns	Onalaska Middle School Principal
Jana Yashinsky	Onalaska Middle School Associate Principal
Todd Saner	Eagle Bluff Elementary Principal
Abby Davis	Irving Pertzsch Elementary Principal
Kelly McMahon	Northern Hills Elementary Principal

Mission Statement	Working together to ensure high levels of learning for all
Vision Statement	A model school district in service of students, staff, and community

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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1. **Call to Order:**
2. **Roll Call - Verification of Quorum:**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
Aaron McDonald will lead the group in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Mission Statement:**
Mark Cassellius will read the School Board Mission Statement.
5. **Public Notice:**
The Board secretary will verify that public notice was given in accordance with the requirements for the State of Wisconsin's public meeting law. (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))
6. **Agenda Revisions:**
No new items may be added to the agenda.
7. **Approval of Agenda:**
The Board of Education will approve the agenda as published, less any items which are removed by the Board or Administration.
8. **Public Input:**
Public Comment is governed by Board Bylaw 0167.3. Members of the public may request permission to speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item is available in the Board room. The form must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting and submitted to administration.

Recognition Item:

9. **Donations:**
 - \$1,000 from Robert George for school supplies for Irving Pertzsch Elementary
 - \$1,381.75 from the Northern Hills PTO for 4th and 5th grade field trips

Informational/Discussion Items:

10. **Scholarships:**
Bridgett Hubbard will present a summary of the 2026 scholarships presented to high school students for Board information. (Enclosure: 10.Scholarships)
11. **Board Reports:**
Tesia Marshik will give an update on the recent CESA #4 annual meeting, and the Board Finance & Operations Committee chair will report on their recent meeting.
12. **8th Grade Promotion/Retention:**
Ben Burns will present the Onalaska Middle School eighth grade promotion/retention information to the Board.

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13. Student Exit Survey Results:

Jen Kalis will share results from the recent 5th, 8th, and 12th grade student exit surveys for Board information. (Enclosure: 13.Student Survey)

14. Family Experience Survey Results:

Laurie Enos will share results from the recent family experience surveys for Board information. (Enclosure: 14.Family Survey) (Enclosure: 14.Presentation)

Action Items:

15. High School Student Handbook:

Charlie Ihle will present the 2026-27 high school student handbook for a second reading and Board approval. (Enclosure: 15.HS Student Handbook)

16. Strategic Plan:

Administration will present the updated Strategic Plan for Board approval. (Enclosure: 16.Strategic Plan)

17. Consent Agenda:

The following items will be presented for approval. Items may be removed for separate consideration:

- A. Budgetary Disbursements and Payroll in accordance with enclosure. (Enclosure: 17.Disbursements)
- B. Personnel Report -
 - 1. Resignation Request - Certified Staff
 - 2. New Employee - Certified Staff
 - 3. Position Creation
 - 4. Summer School Contracts
 - 5. Resignation Notification(Enclosure: 17.Personnel Report) (Enclosure: 17.Summer School)
- C. Minutes - May 26, 2026 regular meeting minutes, and May 26, 2026 development meeting minutes. (Enclosure: 17.Minutes 05.26.26) (Enclosure: 17.Minutes 05.26.26 dev)
- D. Unpaid Leave - Rebecca Odness, Educational Interpreter at Onalaska High School - April 28, 2026 and May 8, 2026; Michele Ducay, paraprofessional at Onalaska Middle School - April 24, 2026.

18. Closed Session:

The Board of Education will entertain a motion to convene in closed session pursuant to s.19.85 (1)(c) and/or (f), to consider and discuss the Superintendent's performance evaluation data. The Board may take other related, appropriate action in closed session. The Board will adjourn from closed session.

19. Adjourn:

Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule:

June 22, 2026 - Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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