



Issaquah School District #411 Board Minutes – May 28, 2026

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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:05 p.m.

Board President A.J. Taylor called the May 28, 2026 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the ISD Administration Center at 6:05 p.m. Present along with President Taylor, were Board Directors Natalie Anderson, Matt Coyne, and Harlan Gallinger, Superintendent Heather Tow-Yick and ISD Administrators. Board Director Sydne Mullings was 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 – 6:06 p.m.

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| • Erin Marsh | Re: Employment |
| • Tessa Herley, Endeavour parent | Re: Behavior |
| • Allison Vukelich, Apollo parent | Re: Education technology |
| • Shweta, parent | Re: Digital platforms in classroom |

Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:15 p.m.

Board Director Coyne 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. Presented for information only the Budget Status Report for March 2026, as presented;
2. Approve the adoption of the new Middle School English Language Arts and Global Studies for Grade 10 curriculum, as presented;
3. Adopt Resolution No. 1265 renewing WIAA membership for Liberty High School, Issaquah High School, and Skyline High School for the 2026-27 school year, as presented;
4. Adopt Resolution No. 1266 delegating authority to KingCo Conference, as presented;
5. Authorized the 2026 Summer Athletics Under WIAA Rule 17.10 for athletic, activity and dance summer programs, as presented;
6. Approve the following gifts/donations: 1) \$15,000 has been donated by the Apollo Elementary PTA to Apollo Elementary, 2) \$7,500 has been donated by the Challenger Elementary PTA to Challenger Elementary, as presented;
7. Approved the minutes for the for the May 5, 2026 special board meeting - executive session, May 7, 2026 regular board meeting, May 7, 2026 special board meeting – work study, and May 7, 2026 special board meeting – PTSA engagement, as presented;
8. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2026-27), as presented; *
9. Approved the Certificated Employee Resignations/Retirements/Non-Renewals (2025-26), as presented; *
10. Approved the Certificated Leaves of Absence (2025-26), as presented; *
11. Approved the Certificated Leaves of Absence (2026-27), as presented; *
12. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2025-26), as presented; *
13. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2025-26),



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as presented; *

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

Establishment of the Regular Agenda – 6:16 p.m.

There were no changes to the regular agenda.

Work Study Recap – 6:16 p.m.

The Board provided an update on the work study that was held before the Board Meeting to discuss the strategic plan.

Works in Progress – 6:17 p.m.

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

Update on Student Representative Program – 6:21 p.m.

The Board shared their appreciation to the current Student Representatives for their commitment to the Board and their impact on student voice: Milo Walsh (Gibson Ek), Ava Datta (Issaquah HS), Krish Parashar (Liberty HS), and Nila Natarajan (Skyline HS). Congratulations to Ava, who will be graduating in June.

Director Coyne moved the Board accept the selected student representatives for the 2026-27 school year, as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Coyne introduced the students selected for the 2026-27 school year.

Margaret (Maggie) Cleveland	Issaquah High School
Pia Sheth	Skyline High School
Samantha (Sam) Kuehl-Pacheco	Gibson Ek High School
Matthew Ung	Liberty High School

Capital Projects Updates – 6:27 p.m.

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

Monitoring Report for Results 4 Life Management and Personal Awareness (R-4) - 6:41 p.m.

The Administration presented the monitoring report Results 4 Life Management and Personal Awareness (R-4).



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Director Coyne moved the Board accept the monitoring report for Results 4 Life Management and Personal Awareness (R-4), as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

- None

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

Strategic Plan Refresh – Priority Areas and Strategies First Read – 7:36 p.m.

The Administration provided priority areas and strategies as a first read for the Board.

Legislative Matters – 8:15 p.m.

Director Anderson did not have items regarding legislation as it pertains to education to report.

Announcements and Correspondence – 8:15 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.

The Board reported the following correspondence since the last meeting:

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| • S. Sridharan | Re: Fire |
| • Student | Re: Bathroom pass |
| • Student | Re: Student impact |
| • L. Stephenson | Re: Districtwide rideable safety policy |
| • Student | Re: LakeSafe Confluence 2026 |
| • Staff | Re: Last day of school |
| • N. Nduwimana | Re: Invitation |
| • T. Herley | Re: Behavioral staffing |
| • T. Bandy | Re: Personal finance instruction |

This list reflects correspondence sent to individual Board members since the last board meeting:

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| • L. Roske | Re: Special Education Parent Advisory Committee |
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Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 8:15 p.m.

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



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Reminders:

Issaquah School District Retirement Celebration: Tuesday, June 9, 2026, 4:30-5:50 p.m. at the ISD Administration Center.

The June 11 regular board meeting will occur on June 9, 2026, due to high school graduations on June 11, 2026. The Board approved this change at the December 11, 2025 regular board meeting. The start time has also been updated to 7:30 PM, due to the preceding special board meeting – executive session scheduled from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. The change to the start time was approved at the May 7, 2026 board meeting.

Scheduling:

- School Board Retreat (September 2026)
Director Coyne moved to schedule the Board Retreats for September 1 and 2, 2026, as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- Elementary Listening Sessions
Director Coyne moved to schedule the Elementary Listening Sessions for September 30, October 7 and 21, and December 9 from 2:30 – 4:00 PM, as presented. Director Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Future Agenda Item:

Director Gallinger requested to have a discussion about Personal Finance added to a future board agenda.

Adjournment: 8:42 p.m.

These minutes were approved as presented at the June 9, 2026 board meeting.