Issaquah School District #411 **UNOFFICIAL**
Board Minutes – August 13, 2026

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:01 p.m.
Board President A.J. Taylor called the August 13, 2026, meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the ISD Administration Center at 6:01 p.m. Present along with President Taylor were Board Directors Matt Coyne and Sydne Mullings, Superintendent Heather Tow-Yick and ISD Administrators. Director Natalie Anderson attended via Zoom. Director Harlan Gallinger 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 – 6:02 p.m.

- Allison Vukelich, Apollo — Re: Ed Tech
- Andrew Leon, Issaquah High — Re: Cell phone legislation
- Shweta Shrikant, Discovery — Re: Ed Tech

Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:10 p.m.
Board Director Mullings moved the consent agenda be approved as presented. Director Coyne seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda items are as follows:

1. Presented for information only the Budget Status Reports for May and June 2026, as presented;
2. Adopted Resolution No. 1271, declaring and ratifying an emergency procurement for replacement of the damaged electrical switchgear and associated underground feeders at Issaquah Valley Elementary, as presented;
3. Approved the award of RFP #600: Pizza to Sahara Pizza for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented;
4. Approved the award of RFP #601: Beverages to EK Beverage Company and PepsiCo Bottling Group for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented;
5. Approved for payment General vouchers 455904 through 456594 in the total amount of $5,169,177.27; Capital Projects 455904 vouchers through 456594 in the total amount of $10,360,418.46; ASB vouchers 455904 through 456594 in the total amount of $67,163.79; Payroll vouchers 193910 through 193970 in the total amount of $4,528,505.70; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of $21,680,837.08; Electronic Transfer – Dept. of Rev in the total amount of $6,193.24; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of $17,598.35, as presented;
6. Adopted Resolution No. 1272, authorizing the Superintendent to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Issaquah for the joint use and development of facilities, programs, maintenance and operations, as presented;
7. Approved the following gifts/donations: 1) $5,046.88 has been donated by Academics Are Cool to the Liberty High School Math club, 2) $10,879 has been donated by the Cougar Ridge PTSA to the Cougar Ridge Elementary ASB, 3) $6,863.97 has been donated by the Cougar Ridge PTSA to Cougar Ridge Elementary, as presented;
8. Approved the minutes for the for the July 9, 2026 regular board meeting, as presented;
9. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2026-27), as presented*
10. Approved the Certificated Employee Resignations/Retirements/Non-Renewals (2025-26), as presented; *

11. Approved the Certificated Leaves of Absence (2026-27), as presented; *
12. Approved the Supplemental Contracts, as presented; *
13. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2025-26), as presented; *
14. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2025-26), as presented; *
15. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2026-27), as presented; *

* personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the archived agenda for this meeting.

Establishment of the Agenda – 6:10 p.m.
There were no changes to the regular agenda.

Public Hearing: 2026-27 Budget Hearing – 6:11 p.m.
The Board conducted a public hearing to obtain input on the 2026-27 Budget. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the August 27, 2026 board meeting.

Board President A.J. Taylor gaveled the Board into the Public Hearing at 6:11 p.m.

Martin Turney, Chief of Finance and Operations, and Moriah Banasick, Executive Director of Finance and Budget, gave a presentation and explained the documents attached to the board agenda under Public Hearing.

Public Input:
- Allison Vukelich – homeschooling population

Board President Taylor then asked three (3) times for public input. There were no additional comments. **Board President Taylor closed the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m. and gaveled back into the regular meeting**, opening the floor for board questions. Martin Turney and Moriah Banasick remained to answer questions.

Works in Progress – 7:01 p.m.
Superintendent Tow-Yick updated the Board on various projects and activities around the District.

School Improvement Plan Meetings – 7:11 p.m.
The Board discussed the School Improvement Plan (SIP) meetings which will be held on Thursday December 3, 2026 and Wednesday, December 16, 2026.

Monitoring Report for Operational Expectation 8 Communication and Support to the Board (OE-8) – 7:22 p.m.
Director Mullings moved the Board accept the monitoring report for Operational Expectation 8 Communication and Support to the Board (OE-8), as presented. Director Coyne seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board and Administration held a discussion prior to the vote.

Public Comment:
- None

WSSDA Boards of Distinction Application and Board Self-Assessment – 7:37 p.m.
Annually, the Washington State School Directors Association presents Boards of Distinction awards. The Board held a discussion on this year's parameters and Board Self-Assessment.

Legislative Update – 7:52 p.m.
Director Anderson brought forward items regarding legislation as it pertains to education.

Announcements and Correspondence – 7:54 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:
- Student Re: LakeSafe Initiative
- K. Joseph Re: Vision House
- L. Stephenson Re: Rideable safety policy
- Student Re: School meal programs
- A. Vukelich Re: Ed Tech

Director Anderson shared an announcement – Please join your local PTA and PTSA. They are important partners in our community who help at the school level by enriching school communities.

Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 7:55 p.m.
The Board reviewed and identified topics for future board meeting agendas as well scheduled special meetings and work sessions.

Director Taylor shared that the Special Education PTSA is working on a special education town hall with local legislators. The date is set for October 20, 2026, with the location and time to be determined.

Adjournment: 7:57 p.m.