



School Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Location: Boardroom in the Central Administration Building
15675 Ambaum Blvd SW, Burien, WA 98166

Regular School Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 1, 2026, 12:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

- 1.1. Welcome – President Van called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.
- 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3. Roll Call – President Van, Vice President Alvarez, Directors Espinoza, Holien and Tidholm were present. Superintendent Duran joined the meeting virtually.
- 1.4. Call for Changes or Additions to Board Meeting Agenda
Director Holien made a motion to move items 8.9, 8.10, 8.11, 8.12, 8.13 and 8.14 to the Consent Agenda; Director Tidholm seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

2. Acknowledgement & Appreciation

There were no items under this section.

3. Superintendent Reports

Superintendent Duran shared some brief remarks, including a statement in support of transgender students, athletes and their families.

4. Director Reports

Directors Tidholm, Holien, Espinoza, Vice President Alvarez and President Van shared brief remarks.

President Van shared information regarding the new Board Policy 6101 approved by the Board on June 18, 2026.

5. Scheduled Communications – Public Testimony

- 5.1 Megan Gibbard Kline (Speaking in Favor of the Bond - Item 8.4)
- 5.2 Mika Sundberg (8.4 - Bond and 8.5 – Levy)
- 5.3 ~~Carson Ivins (Bond Package)~~ – *Speaker removed their name on 7/1/2026*
- 5.4 Carol Salter (Bond) – Did not attend
- 5.5 Jose Ortuzar (Bond support and Cascade rebuilding at salmon creek)
- 5.6 Katie Kresly (8.4 Bond)
- 5.7 Kristen Price (District Leadership Transparency and Accountability) – Speaker provided testimony via telephone.

6. Consent Agenda

6.1 Approval of Minutes

6.1.1 [June 18, 2026, Board Special Meeting Minutes](#)

6.1.2 [June 18, 2026, Regular School Board Meeting Minutes](#)

6.1.3 [June 24, 2026, Board Special Meeting Minutes: Public Hearing on Budget](#)

6.1.4 [June 24, 2026, Board Special Meeting Minutes: Executive Session](#)

6.2 Approval of [Accounts Payable Vouchers](#) and [Payroll Warrants](#) – Director Espinoza and Director Tidholm

6.3 [Approval of Personnel Report](#) (*Revised on 6/30/2026*)

6.4 [Motion to approve Donation from the Seattle Seahawks](#)

8.9 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Academy School in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Academy School for \$356,774 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the three scheduled to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

8.10 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Children's Institute for Learning Difference \(CHILD\) in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with CHILD for \$651,671 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the two scheduled students to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

8.11 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Emerald Learning Center in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Emerald Learning Center for \$1,419,900 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the three scheduled students to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

8.12 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Heartspring in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Heartspring for \$529,690 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the one scheduled to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

8.13 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Overlake Specialty School in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Overlake Specialty School for \$593,260 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the two students scheduled to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

8.14 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Renton School District in the 2026-27 school year](#) (*Moved to Consent Agenda during item 1.4*)

Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Renton School District for \$329,986 for the 2026-27 school year, which includes funding for the one student scheduled to attend the school and a contingency in case additional needs are identified.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

7. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

8. Action Items

8.1 [Motion to approve revisions to Board Policy 5406 - Leave Sharing](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the revisions to Board Policy 5406 Leave Sharing.

Director Espinoza commented on this item.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve this item; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.2 [Motion to approve Resolution 10-26 - Fixing and Adopting the 2026-27 Budget](#)

Approval of this motion would adopt Resolution 10-26 to fix and adopt the 2026-27 budget.

All directors commented on this item.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Vice President Alvarez seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.3 [Motion to approve the 2026-2031 Strategic Plan Goals](#)

Approval of this motion would adopt the four 2026-31 Strategic Plan goals and descriptive outcomes, as listed in the Background Information section of the Board action report.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve this item; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.4 [Motion to approve Resolution 11-26 - Bonds To Replace and Rebuild Deteriorating Schools and Improve Safety](#) *(Additional attachment added since introduction)*

Approval of this motion would adopt resolution number 11-26, which places on the November 3, 2026 ballot School Board Action Report for voter approval a proposition authorizing Highline to issue general obligation bonds in the principal amount of no more than \$595,400,000. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds would pay the costs of capital projects, including rebuilding Sylvester, Cascade, and Chinook Middle Schools, and making other capital improvements and addressing critical needs.

All directors commented on this item. President Van asked a question answered by Lee Marchisio, Bond Counsel at Foster Garvey and Andrew Burgess, Controller.

Director Tidholm moved to approve this item; Vice President Alvarez seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.5 [Motion to approve Resolution 12-26 - Educational Technology and Capital Improvements Levy](#) *(Additional attachment added since introduction)*

Approval of this motion would approve Resolution 12-26, which places on the November 3rd, 2026 ballot for voter approval a proposition authorizing an excess property tax of \$12 million dollars annually, to be made for four years, commencing in 2026 for collection in the years 2027, 2028, 2029, and 2030, in the aggregate total amount of \$48 million dollars, for the district's Capital Projects Fund, to make district wide educational technology improvements and to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities.

Director Holien commented.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve this item; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.6 [Motion to approve Resolution 13-26 - Bond Refunding Delegation](#)

Approval of this motion would approve Resolution No. 13-26 - Bond Refunding Delegation.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Vice President Alvarez seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.7 [Motion to approve Resolution 14-26 - Issuance of Bonds](#)

Approval of this motion would approve Resolution No. 14-26 - Issuance of Bonds.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Director Alvarez seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

8.8 [Motion to approve Resolution 16-26 - 2026–2031 Capital Facilities Plan; Authorization to Submit the Capital Facilities Plan to Local Jurisdictions; and Continuation of Exemption of Impact Fees for King County Housing Authority](#)

Approval of this motion would adopt Resolution No. 16-26, approving the 2026–2031 Capital Facilities Plan; authorizing submission of the plan to King County and cities; and continuing the exemption of impact fees for the King County Housing Authority. I further authorize the Superintendent to sign any and all documents to carry out the actions authorized by this resolution.

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- 8.15 [Motion to approve a contract between Highline Public Schools and Sunburst Workforce in the 2026-27 school year](#)
Approval of this motion would approve the contract with Sunburst Workforce for \$5,000,000 for the 2026-27 school year to support Special Education staffing needs.

Director Espinoza asked a question on this item; answered by Katie Virga, Executive Director of Student Learning.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Director Espinoza seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

- 8.16 [Motion to approve Southern Heights Rebuild Project – Award of General Contractor/Construction Manager \(“GC/CM”\) Contract for Pre-Construction Services](#) *(Revised since introduction)*
Approval of this motion would approve the Southern Heights Rebuild Project – Award of General Contractor/Construction Manager (“GC/CM”) Contract for Pre-Construction Services Contract, which allows the Superintendent, upon receipt of all submittal requirements, to sign the construction contract with Forma in the amount of \$362,264.35, including Washington State Sales Tax; with any minor additions, deletions, or modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve this item; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

9. Introduction and Action Item

- 9.1 [Motion to approve 2025-26 Annual Evaluation for Superintendent Dr. Ivan Duran](#) *(documents linked on June 30, 2026)*

President Van shared information on this item. Director Holien and President Van commented.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Director Espinoza seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

9.2 [Motion to approve an amended Superintendent Employment Contract between Highline Public Schools and Dr. Ivan Duran for 2026-29](#) *(documents linked on June 30, 2026)*

President Van shared information on this item. Director Espinoza asked a question answered by President Van. Director Alvarez commented.

Vice President Alvarez moved to approve this item; Director Tidholm seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

9.3 [Motion to approve a 5-Year Contract with Edulog for Student Transportation Resource Management](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the 5-year contract with Edulog, from July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031, for a total of \$450,000, with minor modifications or adjustments as approved by the Superintendent.

Director Espinoza asked questions on this item answered by Clare Gloede, Executive Director of Foundational Support.

Director Holien moved to approve this item; Vice President Alvarez seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

10. Introduction Items

10.1 [Motion to approve the Annual Renewal with Brown & Brown Inc., and Schools Insurance Association of Washington, for District Insurance Coverage](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the annual contract renewal with Brown & Brown, Inc. for \$XXX,XXX and approve the annual contract renewal with Schools Insurance Association of Washington for \$X,XXX,XXX for a combined total of \$X,XXX,XXX, with minor modifications or adjustments as approved by the Superintendent, for the 2026-27 school year.

Director Tidholm asked a question on this item answered by Phil Crocker, Risk Manager.

10.2 [Motion to approve 2026-27 Annual Contract with EverDriven, LLC for McKinney Vento Qualified Student Transportation Services](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the 2026-2027 contract with Everdriven, LLC in the amount of \$750,000 for McKinney-Vento qualified student transportation services, with minor modifications or adjustments as approved by the Superintendent.

Clare Gloede, Executive Director of Foundational Support, gave a brief presentation on items 10.2 and 10.3.

10.3 [Motion to approve the 2026-27 Annual Contract with First Student, Inc for Supplemental Student Transportation Services](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the 2026-2027 school year contract with First Student, Inc. in the amount of \$350,000, to provide supplemental student transportation services, with minor modifications or adjustments as approved by the Superintendent.

10.4 [Motion to approve the use of WCP Solutions for the purchase of custodial supplies for the 2026-2027 school year](#)

Approval of this motion would approve the use of WCP Solutions (using Omnia contract#R211301) as the vendor for the purchase of custodial supplies such as custodial supplies, gym floor finish supplies, equipment and equipment repairs, and emergency supplies for office and summer programs for the 2026-2027 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.00 to be funded by the General Fund. This contract has previously been presented to the Board.

11. Call for Additions to the Upcoming Consent Agenda

Vice President Alvarez made a motion to move 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4 to the upcoming consent agenda; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

12. Adjourn

Vice President Alvarez moved to adjourn the meeting; Director Holien seconded. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

The July 1, 2026, Regular School Board Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved unanimously at the Regular Board meeting on August 19, 2026.

Joe Van

Joe Van (Aug 20, 2026 17:30:50 PDT)

President, Board of Directors

Ivan Duran

Ivan Duran (Aug 21, 2026 13:03:02 PDT)

Secretary of the Board