LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
September 9, 2026
6:15 P.M.

GC §54954.2 Requests for disability-related accommodation or modification, including auxiliary aids and services should be made in writing to the Superintendent 48 hours prior to meeting time. Mail to: Laton Unified School District P.O. Box 248 Laton, CA 93242.

I. OPENING OF MEETING **6:15 P.M.**

Preliminary

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

	Present	Absent
A. Board Members		
1. Daniel Vargas, President	_____	_____
2. Nikki Alford, Clerk	_____	_____
3. Guadalupe Garcia	_____	_____
4. Holly Torres	_____	_____
5. Jose Ibarra	_____	_____
B. Student Board Members		
1. Aleksander Chavez – LHS	_____	_____
2. Vacant – LMS	_____	_____
C. Staff in attendance:		
Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent	_____	_____

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D. Approval of Minutes for the August 5, 2026 Regular Board Meeting **6:18 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the August 5, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

E. Agenda and/or Emergency Addition [G.C. 54954.2 (b)(2)] **6:20 P.M.**

(2/3 approvals required)

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Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Agenda

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

II. PUBLIC HEARING SESSION:

A. Persons addressing the Board must be recognized by the president prior to their remarks. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item as stated in Laton Unified School District Board Bylaw 9323(b). The School Board is prohibited by law from taking action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the School Board does not respond to public comment at this time.

Testimony with regard to complaints against staff is not protected from damage claims for libel. Public charges or allegations may result in legal action being brought by those individuals.

III. DISCUSSION: **6:25 P.M.**

A. First Reading of Update to Board Policy, Administrative Regulations, Exhibits, and Board Bylaws

1. BP 4119.21 Professional Standards
2. AR 5141 Health Care and Emergencies
3. BP 5141 Health Care and Emergencies
4. AR 5142 Safety
5. BP 5142 Safety

B. Day Field Trips

1. LHS Leadership – Leadership Conference – Madera, CA – October 5, 2026
2. LES 3rd Grade – The Big Fresno Fair – Fresno, CA – October 9, 2026
3. LHS AVID Trip – Stanford University – Stanford, CA – October 9, 2026
4. LES TK/K – Imagine U – Visalia, CA – October 14, 2026
5. LES 4th Grade – San Juan Bautista Mission – San Juan Bautista, CA – October 15, 2026

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports

1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent **6:30 P.M.**
2. Patty Nuñez – Chief Business Official **6:40 P.M.**
3. Jesse Aldaco - Lead Custodian **6:50 P.M.**
4. Melanie Allen – Preschool Teacher/Site Supervisor **7:00 P.M.**
5. Miriam Segura – Community Liaison **7:10 P.M.**

6. Susan Giles – Director of Food Services **7:20 P.M.**
7. Jeanna White – Laton Elementary and Laton Middle School Principal **7:30 P.M.**
8. Lucio Cortez – Laton High School Principal **7:40 P.M.**
   a. Alex Rangel – LHS Athletic Director

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants for August 2026 **7:50 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Accounts Payable Warrants for August 2026

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

B. Approval of Resolution 26-27 #04 Regarding Authorizing a Licensed Teacher to Teach a Single Subject Class Not Within the Teacher's Credential **7:53 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 26-27 #04 Regarding Authorizing a Licensed Teacher to Teach a Single Subject Class Not Within the Teacher's Credential

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

C. Approval of Resolution 26-27 #05 Regarding the Gann Amendment **7:56 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 26-27 #05 Regarding the Gann Amendment

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

D. Approval of Resolution 26-27 #06 Regarding Sufficient or Insufficient Instructional Materials

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 26-27 #06 Regarding Sufficient or Insufficient Instructional Materials **7:59 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐

Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
Holly Torres:	☐	☐
Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

E. Approval of 2025-2026 Unaudited Actuals **8:02 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the 2025-2026 Unaudited Actuals

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia :	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

F. Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy **8:05 P.M.**

1. AP 5131.62 - Tobacco
2. BP 5131.62 – Tobacco

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

G. Approval of Overnight Field Trip **8:08 P.M.**

1. Laton Middle School 6th Grade – Sierra Outdoor School – Sonora, CA – December 9-11, 2026

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Overnight Field Trip

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe García:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

H. Fundraisers: **8:11 P.M.**

1. Sports Picture Packets – LMS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
2. Student Snack Bar – LMS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
3. Staff Coffee Bar – LMS ASB – 2026-2027 School year

4. Donation Letter – LHS Class of 2027 – 2026-2027 School year
5. Donation Letter – LHS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
6. Thunder's Store/Concession – LHS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
7. Ice Cream Sales – LHS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
8. Snow Cones – LHS Class of 2029 – September 2026
9. Splash a Senior – LHS Class of 2027 – September 16-18, 2026
10. Pretzel Rod Sale – LHS Class of 2028 – September – October 2026
11. Homecoming 2026 – LHS ASB – September – October 2026
12. Boo Grams – LHS Class of 2028 – October 2026
13. Tat a Teacher – LMS ASB – October 16, 2026
14. Trunk or Treat – LHS ASB – October 28, 2026

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Fundraisers Listed Above

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:14 P.M.**

B. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957 **8:19 P.M.**

1. Custodian

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 **8:24 P.M.**

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
	Holly Torres:	☐	☐
	Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

B. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957 **8:27 P.M.**

1. Custodian

Motion:	Vote:	Yes	No
Second:	Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
	Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
	Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐

Holly Torres:	☐	☐
Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: **8:30 P.M.**

A.

B.

At _____, it was moved by _____, seconded by _____ and unanimously -approved to extend the meeting beyond the three (3) hour limit.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by _____, seconded by _____ and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at _____ P.M.

Vote:	Yes	No
Daniel Vargas:	☐	☐
Nikki Alford:	☐	☐
Guadalupe Garcia:	☐	☐
Holly Torres:	☐	☐
Jose Ibarra:	☐	☐

NOTE: The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held in the Laton Unified District Board Room at 6:15 P.M. on Wednesday, October 14, 2026.

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Clerk's Signature