

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 408
September 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the board of directors was called to order by Sheilia McLaughlin, President, at 7 p.m. in the James P Fugate Building and via Zoom. All board members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by Sheilia McLaughlin.

Unscheduled Communication

Olive Atkinson- addressed the board regarding the Auburn Mountainview drama program advisor position.

First Reading of Policies

It was moved by Arlista Holman, seconded by Valerie Gonzales and carried to accept Policies 3520 and 4210 for first reading with second reading and adoption scheduled for September 28, 2026.

- Policy 3520 - Student Fees, Fines, or Changes
- Policy 4210 - Regulation of Dangerous Weapons on School Premises

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Dr. Spicciati thanked the speaker and assured them the issue would be resolved. Today was the first day of kindergarten, which is always great to see the excitement of the first day of school for them. Enrollment is still slightly down; we are cautious but optimistic we will see an increase by October. He spoke about the Attendance Matters campaign, and the impact on kids we miss school often.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The board discussed general assembly, President McLaughlin encouraged other directors to reach out to fellow districts and remind them of the importance of attending..

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Arlista Holman, seconded by Valerie Gonzales and carried to approve the consent agenda items:

Personnel Report

Personnel report was presented.

Vouchers

Vouchers were presented for review. The vouchers are attached to and made a part of these official minutes. A copy of the vouchers is on file in the business office.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 24 were forwarded to the board.

Staff Requests for Travel

- a. Emily Thomas, Dick Scobee Elementary School Multi-Language Teacher requests permission to travel to St. Louis, Missouri, Monday, September 14-18, 2026. The purpose of the trip is to attend the World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment conference. Lodging will be at the Courtyard by Marriott, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by WIDA and district funds. One substitute will be needed for five days.
- b. Tammy House, Bowman Creek Elementary School Teacher, and Luciana Roorda, Bowman Creek Elementary School Family Engagement Liaison, request permission to travel to Phoenix, Arizona, Tuesday, September 29 - October 2, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the Kids at Hope Masters Institute. Lodging will be provided by the staff family, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by Professional Development funds, Kids at Hope Scholarship, and district funds. One substitute will be needed for three days.
- c. Julie DeBolt, Executive Director, P-12 Student Learning requests permission to travel to Austin, Texas, Monday, October 5-7, 2026. The purpose of the trip is to attend the 2026 Ferguson Institute: Connection Creates Impact event. Lodging will be at the Hyatt Regency Austin, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses are paid by Curriculum Associates. No substitutes will be needed.

- d. Adam Ladage, Director of K-12 Student Learning, Zeynep Ertugay, Coordinator Future Ready Student Learning, Joanna Villa, Auburn High School GEAR UP Specialist, and Guadalupe Rios Jimenez, Cascade Middle School GEAR UP Specialist, request permission to travel to Los Angeles, California, Sunday, October 18-20, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the GEAR UP West Conference. Lodging will be at the Hilton Los Angeles, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane and Uber. All expenses will be paid by the GEAR UP Grant funds. No substitutes will be needed.
- e. Adam Ladage, Director of K-12 Student Learning, and Jane Hendrickson, Director of CTE and Electives Student Learning, request permission to travel to Las Vegas, Nevada, Tuesday, November 3-6, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the College Board Forum. Lodging will be at the Wynn Las Vegas, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane and Uber. All expenses will be paid by GEAR UP grant funds. No substitutes will be needed.
- f. Valerie Muñoz, Assistant Director, Multilingual Learning & World Language Instruction requests permission to travel to Lake Buena Vista, Florida, Sunday, February 14-20, 2027. The purpose of this trip is to attend the National Association for Bilingual Education Conference. Lodging will be at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by grant funds. No substitutes will be needed.

Student Requests for Travel

- a. Thirty Auburn Riverside High School students request permission to travel to Victoria, BC, Canada, Friday, October 23-25, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to compete in the Spooktacular Water Polo Tournament. Lodging will be at the Vic, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by parent transportation. All expenses will be paid by ASB funds. Kyle Ridge and Ethan Calver, Auburn Riverside High School coaches, request permission to accompany the students. One additional parent volunteer chaperone will also be accompanying the students as a chaperone. One substitute will be needed for one day.
- b. Twenty Auburn Mountainview High School students request permission to travel to Pasco, Washington, Friday, September 18-19, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to compete in the Mid-Columbia Swim Invitational Tournament. Lodging will be at Red Lion Airport, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by parent transportation. All expenses will be paid by ASB funds. Dawson Orcutt, Lauren Zelinski, and Dylan Chang, Auburn Mountainview High

School coaches request to accompany the students as chaperones. No substitutes will be needed.

- c. Thirteen Auburn Mountainview High School students request permission to travel to Pullman, Washington, Friday, September 18-19, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the parade the Varsity Spirit Day for Cheer with the Cougar Marching Band, Spirit and Football team. Lodging will be at the Quality Inn Paradise Creek, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by school bus. All expenses will be paid by ASB funds. Shana Biggs, Kaitlyn Hanley, and Melina LaBoyne, Auburn Mountainview High School cheer coaches request to accompany the students as chaperones. No substitutes will be needed.
- d. Sixteen Auburn Mountainview High School students request permission to travel to Tillamook, Oregon, Friday, September 18-19, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to participate in the Mook Cross Country Invitational. Lodging will be at the Tillamook Inn and Suites, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by parent transportation. All expenses will be paid by Booster funds. Jan Meredith, Ryan Rotter, and Rick Hawley, Auburn Mountainview High School coaches request to accompany the students as chaperones. No substitutes will be needed.

FINANCE

Request for Authorization to Surplus Equipment

It was moved by Arlista Holman, seconded by Laura Theimer and carried to authorize the surplus and sale of the listed items. This equipment will be sold in accordance with existing board policy and statutes.

Copiers

Asset Number	Qty	Location	Item description	Serial Number
Multiple	144	Warehouse	Computer Towers	Various
Multiple	4,840	Warehouse	Chromebook Computers	Various
Multiple	125	Warehouse	Computer Monitors	Various
Multiple	11	Warehouse	Samsung Cellphones	Various

Adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Alan Spicciati, Secretary
Board of Directors

Sheilia McLaughlin, President
Board of Directors