

**LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 14, 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

A. Board Members	Present	Absent
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. Makaylyn Heffley – LMS	_____	_____
C. Staff in attendance:		
Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent	_____	_____

D. Approval of Minutes for the September 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

6:18 P.M.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the September 9, 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)

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. AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
 2. BP 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
 3. EX 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
 4. AR 4312.6 Personnel Files
 5. AR 6159.1 Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education
 6. BP 6159.1 Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education
- B. Day Field Trips
1. LHS 9th-12th Grade – Career Tech Expo – Fresno, CA – October 21, 2026
 2. LHS Photography/ROP Video Production – Kings Canyon & Sequoia National Parks – October 26, 2026
 3. LES 2nd Grade – Visalia Riverway Sports Park – Visalia, CA – November 12, 2026
 4. LES 5th Grade – Monterey Bay Aquarium – Monterey, CA – November 13, 2026
 5. LMS 6th – 8th Grade – College of the Sequoias – Visalia, CA – November 13, 2026

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

- A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports

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| 1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent | 6:30 P.M. |
| 2. Deven Avila - Lead Grounds | 6:40 P.M. |
| 3. Rachel Fox – Learning Director | 6:50 P.M. |

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| 4. Alexandra Gomez – Community Liaison | 7:00 P.M. |
| 5. Sue Vang – Director of Technology | 7:10 P.M. |
| 6. Jeanna White – Laton Elementary and Laton Middle School Principal | 7:20 P.M. |
| 7. Lucio Cortez – Laton High School Principal | 7:30 P.M. |

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants for September 2026 **7:40 P.M.**

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

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

- B. Approval of District Proposition 28: Arts and Music Education In School Funding Annual Report **7:43 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the District Proposition 28: Arts and Music Education In School Funding Annual Report

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

- C. Quarterly Report on William Uniform Complaints for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2026

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Quarterly Report on William Uniform Complaints for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2026 **7:46 P.M.**

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

- D. Approval of Laton Community Entrance Sign: LHS Student Art Project **7:49 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Laton Community Entrance Sign: LHS Student Art Project

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

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

- E. Consideration and Action to Approve AB 1200 Public Disclosure Regarding Proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement with the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029 **7:52 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the AB 1200 Public Disclosure Regarding Proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement with the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029

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

- F. Consideration and Action to Approve Tentative Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Laton Unified School District and the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029 **7:55 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Tentative Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Laton Unified School District and the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2026-2029

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

- G. Second Reading of Update and Deletion of Board Policy **7:58 P.M.**

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

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:	☐	☐

H. Resolution 26-27 #07 Appointing the District's Representative to the Fresno County SELPA Community Advisory Committee **8:01 P.M.**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 26-27 #07 Appointing the District's Representative to the Fresno County SELPA Community Advisory Committee

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

I. Fundraisers: **8:04 P.M.**

1. Birthday Announcement - LMS ASB – 2026-2027 School year
2. 8th Grade Dedication Page – LMS ASB Yearbook – 2026-2027 School year
3. Renewal of Banners – LHS Boys Basketball – Fall 2026
4. Boo Grams – LMS ASB – October 2026
5. “No Stuff” Fundraiser – LMS ASB – October 15, 2026
6. Fruit Cup Sale – LHS Class of 2030 – October 16, 2026
7. Kids Night – LMS ASB – November 2026
8. Goble Gram – LHS Class of 2028 – November 2026
9. Pie a Teacher – LHS Class of 2027 – November 13, 2026
10. Black Out Board Competition – LMS 8th Grade Class – November 2026- February 2027
11. Portuguese Donuts Sale – LHS Class of 2028 – November – December 2026
12. World's Finest Chocolate Sale – LHS Class of 2029 – November – December 2026
13. Chocolate Sale – LHS Class of 2027 – November 23rd - December 18, 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. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code 54957.6 **8:07 P.M.**

Agency Designated Representatives: Lupe G. Nieves, Tammy Alves & Patty Nuñez

Laton Federation of Teachers

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)

A. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code 54957.6

8:12 P.M.

Agency Designated Representatives: Lupe G. Nieves, Tammy Alves & Patty Nuñez

Laton Federation of Teachers

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

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

8:15 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 Tuesday, November 10, 2026.

Clerk's Signature