

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 408
September 28, 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. All board members, except Valerie Gonzales who was excused, were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by Sheilia McLaughlin.

Second Reading of Policies

It was moved by Arlista Holman, seconded by Laura Theimer and carried to accept Policies 3520 and 4210 for second reading and adoption.

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

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Dr. Spicciati spoke about his Monday morning school visits, the current enrollment; our budget is based off our October 1 enrollment count. He spoke about the facility updates with the capital levy funds, and that Associate Superintendent Blansfield and team will be coming to a meeting soon to give a more in-depth update. He went on to speak about the efforts to get out and spread the word about the bond and encourages everyone to vote.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The board discussed general assembly, the committee is ramping up for the long legislative session. President McLaughlin will be sharing the list of topics so that the board can work on prioritizing the top ten. Special education and maintenance, supplies and operating costs are still the top needs.

RECOGNITION

Student of the Month

The Auburn School District Board of Directors recognized Lakeland Hills Elementary student Ronnie Walter as the outstanding student of the month.

Staff Member of the Month

The Auburn School District Board of Directors recognized Adrianna McMahon, fifth grade teacher at Dick Scobee Elementary, as the outstanding staff member of the month.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Lakeland Hills Elementary School Art Display

Ryan Foster, Associate Superintendent of Principal Leadership & School Programs introduced Trina Lutes-Johnson, Lakeland Hills Elementary School Principal, who introduced Gina Greco, Behavior Intervention Specialist, who introduced student, Jalen Anderson to present the Lakeland Hills Elementary School Art display and answer questions from the board.

Lakeland Hills Elementary School Activity Report

Ryan Foster, Associate Superintendent of Principal Leadership & School Programs will re-introduce Trina Lutes-Johnson, Lakeland Hills Elementary School Principal, who introduced student, Sawyer Svendsen to present the Lakeland Hills Elementary School Morning Meeting Ambassador Club and answer questions from the board.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Laura Theimer, seconded by Shelly Combs 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 September 14 were forwarded to the board.

Student Requests for Travel

- a. Ten Auburn High School students request permission to travel to LaVerne, California, Saturday, December 26-31, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to compete in the Damien Classic Holiday Basketball tournament. Lodging will be at the Double Tree by Holton Pomona, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by ASB funds. Ryan Hansen and Jason Brown, Auburn High School basketball coaches request to accompany the students as chaperones. No substitutes will be needed.
- b. Twelve Auburn High School students request permission to travel to San Diego, Saturday, December 26-31, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to compete in the SoCal Holiday Classic. Lodging will be at the Courtyard by Marriott San Diego Miramar, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by ASB funds. Jessica Hansen, Dan Lisk, Sarah Beyersdorf, and Gavin Strojan, Auburn High School basketball coaches requested to accompany the students as chaperones. No substitutes will be needed.
- c. Thirteen Auburn Mountainview High School students request permission to travel to Yakima, Washington, Saturday, February 6-7, 2027. The purpose of this trip is to compete in WIAA State Cheer. Lodging will be at the Best Western Plus, 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. Thirteen Auburn Mountainview High School students request permission to travel to Anaheim, California, Friday, February 16-23, 2027. The purpose of this trip is to compete in USA Cheer Nationals. Lodging will be at the Embassy Suites Anaheim, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. 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. One additional parent volunteer chaperone will be in attendance. No substitutes will be needed.

Staff Requests for Travel

- a. Heather McDonough, Willow Crest Elementary School Assistant Principal, requests permission to travel to Sacramento, California, Wednesday, October 7-9, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) California Conference. Lodging will be at the Holiday Inn, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by professional development funds. No substitutes will be needed.
- b. Adrienne Rock, Speech Language Pathologist, requests permission to travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, Thursday, November 19-21, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the American Speech Language Hearing Association Convention. Lodging will be at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by personal funds. No substitutes will be needed.
- c. Jane Hendrickson, Director of CTE & Electives - Student Learning, requests permission to travel to New Orleans, Louisiana, Tuesday, December 1-5, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the CTE Vision Conference. Lodging will be at the New Orleans Marriott, 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.
- d. Heather McDonough, Willow Crest Elementary School Assistant Principal, requests permission to travel to Grapevine, Texas, Saturday, November 5-9, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the Learning Forward 2026 Annual Conference. Lodging will be at an Airbnb, meals will be at local restaurants, and travel will be by airplane. All expenses will be paid by professional development funds. No substitutes will be needed.

- e. Adam Ladage, Director of K-12 Student Learning, and Hilary Conville, Director of Special Education - Secondary, request permission to travel to Atlanta, Georgia, Wednesday, December 9-12, 2026. The purpose of this trip is to attend the AVID National Conference. Lodging will be at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta, 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.

Auburn School District Alternative Learning Education and 1418 Program Report 2026-27

The 2026-2027 Auburn School District ALE and 1418 Program Report, as per RCW 392-550-060(5), Board Policy 2255, and in alignment with Foundation 1, Priority 3 of the Strategic Plan *"Students meeting and exceeding grade level and content area standards"*, is presented in the link below for School Board review and approval. The Board is asked to review and approve the annual report for ALE and 1418 Programs. West Auburn High School will share highlights of all West Auburn Programs including ALE, 1418 and Basic Education Programs each spring.

[2026-2027 Auburn School District ALE and 1418 Program Report](#)

SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

School Equity Report

Isaiah Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of the Department of Student and Family Engagement, introduced Lakeland Hills Principal, Trina Lutes-Johnson who introduced Gina Greco, Behavior Intervention Specialist along with parents and students from the Lakeland Hills school community. Together, they presented their school's equity team report, sharing how their building is advancing culturally responsive practices to support all students and families. This presentation highlights Foundation 1: Culturally Responsive & Inclusive Practices for Teaching, Support & Leadership, specifically Priority 2: Culturally Responsive Practices in Instruction and Leadership from our district's strategic plan. [Lakeland Hills Elementary](#)

Adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Alan Spicciati, Secretary
Board of Directors

Sheilia McLaughlin, President
Board of Directors