# Issaquah School District #411 UNOFFICIAL
# Board Minutes – October 22, 2026

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:07 p.m**.
Board President A.J. Taylor called the October 22, 2026, meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the ISD Administration Center at 6:07 p.m. Present along with President Taylor, were Board Directors Natalie Anderson, Matt Coyne, Harlan Gallinger, and Sydne Mullings and Superintendent Heather Tow-Yick and ISD Administrators.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

*Please note: Because regular Issaquah School Board meetings are recorded and made available in their entirety, minutes will reflect board action/direction and general topic discussion only.*

**Public Comment – 6:07 p.m.**

Public Comment:

- Lindsey Maassel, Endeavour — Re: Ed Tech
- Felicia Van Pelt, Endeavour — Re: Cell phones – bus
- Leonor Flores, Apollo — Re: AI use
- Allison Vukelich, Apollo — Re: AI use
- Kathie Jurek, Apollo by Zoom — Re: AI use

**Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:19 p.m.**
**Director Mullings moved the consent agenda be approved.** Director Coyne seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda items are as follows:

1. Approved the New High School Construction Phase Change Order No. 3 from Skanska USA Building Inc. in the amount of $687,170.00 plus $72,152.85 in WSST for a total of $759,322.85, as presented;
2. Approved the Beaver Lake Middle School – Elevator Modernization Change Order No. 01 from Mid-American Elevator in the amount of $2,873.64 plus $295.98 WSST for a total of $3,169.62, as presented;
3. Approved the following gifts/donations: 1) $6,061.58 has been donated by the Skyline High School Booster Club to the Skyline High School Baseball team, as presented;
4. Adopted Resolution No. 1280 authorizing the Superintendent to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Clover Park Technical College regarding educational services, as presented.
5. Accepted the monitoring report for Operational Expectation 10 Structure of Schools (OE-10), as presented;
6. Approved the minutes for the October 8, 2026 regular board meeting and October 8, 2026 special board meeting – work study, as presented;
7. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2026-27), as presented; *
8. Approved the Certificated Employee Leaves of Absence (2026-27), as presented; *
9. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/Employment Agreements, as presented; *
10. Approved the Classified New Employees (2026-27), as presented; *
11. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2026-27), as presented; *

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* personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the archived agenda for this meeting.

**Establishment of the Regular Agenda – 6:20 p.m.**
The power point presentation for the New High School Update was added to the agenda this afternoon.

**Work Study Recap – 6:20 p.m.**
Prior to tonight's regular meeting, the Board met with ISD Administrators to discuss the district's enrollment and budget. The Board provided a recap.

**Works in Progress – 6:25 p.m.**
Superintendent Tow-Yick updated the Board on various projects and activities around the District.

**Capital Projects Update – 6:30 p.m.**
Tom Mullins, Director of Capital Projects, updated the board with projects going on around the district.

**New High School Update: – 6:49 p.m.**
Julia Bamba, Planning Principal for New High School provided an update on the new high school.

**Monitoring Report for Operational Expectation 14 Instructional Program (OE-14) – 7:48 p.m.**
**Director Mullings moved the Board accept the monitoring report for Operational Expectation 14 Instructional Program (OE-14), as presented.** Director Coyne seconded the motion and the motion passed 4 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain.

Public Comment
- None

Student advisory vote: 3 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain

Matthew Ung, Liberty High School Student Representative, and Videh Jain, Skyline High School Representative, presented their student reports. The Board and Administration held a discussion prior to the vote.

**Governance Culture 12- Student Representatives Policy Update – 8:58 p.m.**
The Board held a reading of Governance Culture 12 – Student Representatives (GC-12).

**Director Mullings moved to vote in support of the version with 8 student reps with the changes that were discussed including striking language around board mentorship to then have a second read at the next board meeting.** Director Coyne seconded. The Board voted 3 yes, 2 no, 0 abstain – the motion passed.

**Academics and Integrated Student Supports – 9:44 p.m.**

The Administration provided and update on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, Inclusionary Practices and Special Services.

**Legislative Matters – 10:16 p.m.**

Director Anderson and Director Taylor brought forward items regarding legislation as it pertains to education.

**Announcements and Correspondence – 10:21 p.m.**

This is a standing opportunity for the Board to share announcements and correspondence. Please note that correspondence related to specific students and staff are not listed, in alignment with our district regulation on student privacy and civility.

The Board reported the following correspondence since the last meeting:

- J. Umetsu Re: Bus stop location
- D. Barnhouse II Re: Alternative school referral
- S. and R. Harrison Re: Fireworks
- E. Sweany Re: AI and tech in schools
- A. Arefin Re: School safety and mental health
- P. Lopez Re: Running Start and Practical Education

This list reflects correspondence sent to individual Board members since the last board meeting:

- A. Vukelich Re: Requesting meeting
- L. Spink Re: Voices for Humanity
- L. Graves Re: Art in elementary schools

**Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 10:21 p.m.**

The Board reviewed and identified topics for future board meeting agendas as well scheduled special meetings and work sessions.

**Adjournment: 10:34 p.m.**