LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
LATON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
August 18, 2021
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. Earl Yecny, Clerk
3. Nikki Alford
4. Guadalupe Andrade
5. Rich Olson

B. Staff in attendance:

Lupe G. Nieves, Superintendent

C. Approval of Minutes for the July 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting 6:18 P.M.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Minutes for the July 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

D. 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: ☐ ☐
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

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

1. AR 6158 – Independent Study
2. BP 6158 – Independent Study

B. Day Field Trips

1. LHS FFA – Industry Field Trip – September 17, 2021

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

A. Superintendent, Directors, and Administration Reports

1. Lupe G. Nieves – Superintendent
2. Reatha Martinez – Chief Business Official
3. Lori DeLeon – Site Supervisor/Teacher
4. Susan Giles – Director of Food Services
5. Jeanna Ruble – Learning Director
6. Ruben Garcia – Laton Elementary and Laton Middle School Principal
7. Michael Langton – Laton High School Principal

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants for July 2021

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Accounts Payable Warrants for July 2021

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: Earl Yecny: Nikki Alford:
B. Approval of Resolution 21-22 #02 Regarding Fund Transfer for 2020-2021 Workers Compensation Benefits – Child Development to General

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #02 Regarding Fund Transfer for 2020-2021 Workers Compensation Benefits – Child Development to General

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

C. Approval of Resolution 21-22 #03 Regarding Fund Transfer for 2020-2021 Workers Compensation Benefits – Child Nutrition to General

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #03 Regarding Fund Transfer for 2020-2021 Workers Compensation Benefits – Child Nutrition to General

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

D. Approval of Resolution 21-22 #04 Regarding Laton Elementary School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #04 Regarding Laton Elementary School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

E. Resolution 21-22 #05 Regarding Laton Middle School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #05 Regarding Laton Middle School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
F. Resolution 21-22 #06 Regarding Laton High School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission  

 Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #06 Regarding Laton High School Associated Student Body Authorizing Check Signers and Tax ID Permission

Motion:  Vote:  Yes  No
Second:  Daniel Vargas:  ☐  ☐
          Earl Yecny:  ☐  ☐
          Nikki Alford:  ☐  ☐
          Guadalupe Andrade: ☐  ☐
          Rich Olson:  ☐  ☐

G. Approval of Resolution 21-22 #07 Regarding Southwest Transportation Agency Home to School First Quarter Funding Assessment

 Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Resolution 21-22 #07 Regarding Southwest Transportation Agency Home to School First Quarter Funding Assessment

Motion:  Vote:  Yes  No
Second:  Daniel Vargas:  ☐  ☐
          Earl Yecny:  ☐  ☐
          Nikki Alford:  ☐  ☐
          Guadalupe Andrade: ☐  ☐
          Rich Olson:  ☐  ☐

H. Approval of Fresno County Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2021

 Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Fresno County Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2021

Motion:  Vote:  Yes  No
Second:  Daniel Vargas:  ☐  ☐
          Earl Yecny:  ☐  ☐
          Nikki Alford:  ☐  ☐
          Guadalupe Andrade: ☐  ☐
          Rich Olson:  ☐  ☐

I. Approval of Authorized Signature Permit

 Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Authorized Signature Permit

Motion:  Vote:  Yes  No
Second:  Daniel Vargas:  ☐  ☐
          Earl Yecny:  ☐  ☐
          Nikki Alford:  ☐  ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

J. Approval of Job Description for Laton Online Academy Teacher/Coordinator 8:02 P.M.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Job Description for Laton Online Academy Teacher/Coordinator

Motion: Vote: Yes No  
Second:  
Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐  
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐  
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐  
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

K. Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2020-2021 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District 8:05 P.M.

In accordance with Public Notice Section 3547 of the Government Code, all initial proposals of the public school employees and employee bargaining units are to be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The California School Employees Association Chapter #513 proposal to the Laton Unified School District for the 2020-2021 school year presented at the July 14, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education is returned to this agenda for public discussion and Board action acknowledging commencement of negotiations on such proposal.  Contact Person: Tammy Alves, telephone 922-4015.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Opportunity for Public Discussion and Action to Acknowledge that Negotiations Will Commence on the California School Employees Association Chapter #513 for 2020-2021 Negotiations Proposal to Laton Unified School District

Motion: Vote: Yes No  
Second:  
Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐  
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐  
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐  
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

L. Approval of Independent Study Learning Agreement for Course Based Independent Study 8:08 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Independent Study Learning Agreement for Course Based Independent Study

Motion: Vote: Yes No  
Second:  
Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐  
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐  
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐  
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐
M. Approval of Independent Study Written Agreement for Traditional Independent Study

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Independent Study Written Agreement for Traditional Independent Study 8:11 P.M.

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

N. Approval of Edgenuity Course List for Laton Online Academy 8:14 P.M.

Superintendent Recommendation: The School Board Approve the Laton Online Academy Edgenuity Course List

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

O. Fundraisers: 8:17 P.M.

1. Paleta Sales – LMS ASB – August 2021 to June 2022
2. Snack Bar – 8th Grade ASB/Peer Leadership Team – August 2021 to June 2022
3. Donation Letter – LHS Athletics – 2021-2022 School Year
4. Donation Letter – LHS Cheer – Cheer Season
5. Father/Daughter Dance – 8th Grade ASB – January 14, 2022

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

Motion: Vote: Yes No
Second: Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code 54957 8:20 P.M.
C. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957 8:30 P.M.

1. 8th Grade Teacher
D. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. Permanent Substitute  

E. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. Online Academy Teacher/Coordinator  

F. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. Special Education Aide  

VII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION: (In Open Session)  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

C. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. 8th Grade Teacher  
   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

D. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. Permanent Substitute  
   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

E. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  
   1. Online Academy Teacher/Coordinator  
   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐  

   Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
   Second:  
   Daniel Vargas:  ☐ ☐  
   Earl Yecny:  ☐ ☐  
   Nikki Alford:  ☐ ☐  
   Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
   Rich Olson:  ☐ ☐
F. Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957  

1. Special Education Aide  

Motion:   Vote:     Yes        No  
Second:     Daniel Vargas: ☐ ☐  
            Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐  
            Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐  
            Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
            Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:  

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: ☐ ☐  
Earl Yecny: ☐ ☐  
Nikki Alford: ☐ ☐  
Guadalupe Andrade: ☐ ☐  
Rich Olson: ☐ ☐

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, September 8, 2021.