

Lowell Joint School District
Rancho Starbuck Intermediate School
16430 Woodbrier Drive, Whittier, CA 90604

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 4, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Lowell Joint School District Character Education and Patriotic Education Focus of the Month:

- Character Trait: Respect - The process and outcome of successfully adapting to difficult or challenging life situations; toughness and flexibility.
- Patriotic Focus: Pledge of Allegiance & National Anthem
- Honoring Character & Patriotism in Action: Honoring the Armed Forces & Declaration of Independence

Rancho Starbuck Groundbreaking – Measure P

6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

6:30 p.m.

A. Comments from the Public

INFORMATION

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2. Topics Not on Agenda: Anyone in attendance may address any issue by following the same identification process as shown in I-A-1 above. Since the Board cannot take action on items which are not on the agenda, such items will be referred to the Superintendent for handling. Individuals interested in speaking to items which are not on the agenda will be called upon under Item IV.

B. Closed Session

6:30 p.m.

1. Pupil Personnel Matters/Advice from Legal Counsel – Existing and Anticipated Litigation (Disclosure of Case Name Would Jeopardize Potential Settlement Negotiations)/Real Property/Liability Claims/Negotiations/ Public Employee Appointments – Discipline – Dismissal – Release (Government Code Section 54957)/ Employer/Employee Relations
2. Public Employee Negotiations – Certificated School Employees Association

(LJEA)/ Classified School Employees Association (CSEA); Agency
Negotiator: Mr. Coombs

3. Superintendent's Evaluation (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

C. Regular Session

Approximately
7:30 p.m.

II. Preliminary Procedural – Board President

A. Salute to the Flag

B. Reporting Out Action (if any) Taken in Closed Session

C. Introductions and Welcome of Guests

D. Comments from the Public

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E. Acknowledgement of Correspondence to the Board

INFORMATION

F. Approval of Agenda

ACTION

G. Approval of Minutes from the June 23, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

ACTION

III. Reports

INFORMATION

A. Timely Information from Board and Superintendent – Board President

IV. Topics Not on the Agenda

V. General – Jim Coombs

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| A. | Resolution 2025/26 No. 979 Making Findings Under the Government Code 4217.12, in for Furtherance of Utilization of CalShape Funds for Improvements of Ventilation Systems District Wide | PUBLIC HEARING
ACTION/
(RESOLUTION) |
| B. | Resolution 2025/26 No. 980 Approving Agreement for the SVPP (School Violence Prevention Program) - COPS (Office of Community Oriented Policing Services) Funding Opportunity | ACTION/
(RESOLUTION) |

VI. Business Services – David Bennett

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| A. | Bond Sale Resolution 2025-2026 No. 981 Resolution of the Board Of Trustees of the Lowell Joint School District Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Not To Exceed \$35,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Bonds of the District, By Public Sale, Approving The Form Of A Continuing Disclosure Certificate, An Official Statement And An Official Notice Of Sale For the Bonds, And Authorizing Related Action | ACTION/
(RESOLUTION) |
| B. | Resolution 2025-26 No. 982 of the Board of Trustees of the Lowell Joint School District Resolution Requesting The Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange to Establish Tax Rate for Bonds of the Lowell Joint School District Expected to be Sold During Fiscal Year 2025-26, and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith | ACTION/
(RESOLUTION) |
| C. | 2025-26 45 Day Budget Update | INFORMATION |
| D. | Approval of Piggyback Contract with CN School & Office Solutions, Inc. for Classroom Furniture (San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools Bid #23/24-0005) | ACTION |
| E. | Approval of Architectural Services Agreement with Ghataode Bannon Architects (GBA) to Increase Reimbursable Expenses for the District's Rancho Starbuck Intermediate School Measure "P" Project | ACTION |
| F. | Resolution No. 2025/26 No. 983 Approving the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$25,827,311.00 for the Lease-Leaseback Contract with Erickson Hall Construction Company, Inc., for the New Modular Buildings and Gymnasium/Performing Arts Center Project at Rancho Starbuck Intermediate School | ACTION/
(RESOLUTION) |

VII. Human Resources – Jim Coombs

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| A. | Approval of a Variable Term Waiver for Melissa Lozano Assigned to be a Speech Language Pathologist Teacher for Lowell Joint School District for the | ACITON |
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2025/2026 School Year

VIII. Educational Services – Rhonda Overby

No Items Except on Consent

IX. Administrative Services – Carl Erickson

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| A. | Approval to Utilize San Gabriel Valley Food Services Cooperative Purchasing Group School Districts/Agency Bids for Food and Supplies for the 2025/26 School Year | ACTION |
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X. Consent Calendar

Action by the Board in adoption of the “Consent Calendar” means that all items appearing in this section are adopted by one single motion, unless a Member of the Board or the Superintendent requests that any such item be removed from the “Consent Calendar” and voted upon separately. Generally, “Consent Calendar” items are enacted upon in one action to conserve time and permit focus on other-than-routine matters

A. General – Jim Coombs

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| 1. | Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between Lowell Joint School District and California State University, East Bay Student Teaching Agreement, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030 | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 2. | Approval of Agreement with Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc. for Student Transportation Services for the 2025/2026 School Year Not to Exceed \$150,000 | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 3. | Approval of Independent Contract with Dr. Doug Stephey OD MS to provide a Developmental Vision Assessment for the 2025/2026 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 4. | Approval of Independent Contract with Dr. Fabian of Synapse Advance Audiology Inc. to provide a Central Auditory Processing Disorder Evaluation for the 2025/2026 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 5. | Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement with Katelyn Allsman, to provide a BCBA Services, for the 2025-2026 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 6. | Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Lowell Joint School District and <i>California Southern University, Inc.</i> for the 2025/2026 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 7. | Approval of Independent Contract with Darlene Hanson, SLP of Kindred Speech and Language Inc. to provide a AAC/AT IEE for the 2025/2026 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |

B. Business Services – David Bennett

1. Purchase Order Report 2025/26 #1 ACTION/
(RATIFICATION)
2. Consolidated Check Register Listing Report 2025/26 #1 ACTION/
(RATIFICATION)
3. Approval of Agreement with PQBids for Web-Based Program used to Prequalify Contractors ACTION/
(RATIFICATION)
4. Ratification of Professional Services Agreement, Hauffe Company Inc., (HCI) Program Management Services, District Wide (Capital Outlay Projects Fund) ACTION/
(RATIFICATION)
5. Approval of Contract with Whittier Christian High School, for Student Transportation to and from the El Portal Elementary School and Maybrook Campuses During El Portal Elementary Modernization ACTION
6. Approval of Professional Services Agreement, Nigro and Nigro, A Professional Accountancy Corporation, Provide a Performance Audit for State Facilities Program Expenditure Reporting for 57/64766-003, El Portal Elementary School ACTION
7. Approval of Professional Services Agreement, Nigro and Nigro, A Professional Accountancy Corporation, Provide a Performance Audit for State Facilities Program Expenditure Reporting for 57/64766-002, Macy Elementary School ACTION
8. Approval of Professional Services Agreement, Nigro and Nigro, A Professional Accountancy Corporation, Provide a Savings Audit for State Facilities Program Expenditure Reporting for 57/64766-001, Olita Elementary School ACTION

C. Human Resources – Jim Coombs

1. Employer-Employee Relations/Personnel Report 2025/26 #1 Which Includes Hiring, Resignations, Contract Adjustments, and Retirements for Certificated, Classified, and Confidential Employees ACTION/
(RATIFICATION)

D. Education Services – Rhonda Overby

1. Approval of Agreement with Autism Learning Partners to provide ABA Therapy Services for a District Student During Expanded Learning Opportunities Program for the 2025-26 School Year ACTION

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| 2. | Approval of Consultant Agreement with Andy Fierro to Provide Video Recording for Lowell Joint Youth Theatre during the 2025-26 School Year | ACTION |
| 3. | Approval of Ratified Amendment to Agreement with Boys & Girls Club La Habra to provide services for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program for the 2025-26 School Year | ACTION/
(RATIFICATION) |
| 4. | Approval of Consultant Agreement with Eric Chittum to be a Set Constructor/Designer for Lowell Joint School District Performing Arts Lowell Joint Youth Theatre/PowerSource Productions during the 2025-26 School Year | ACTION |
| 5. | Approval of Agreement with Learning Genie to Provide a Software Subscription for use in The Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Program during the 2025–2026 school year | ACTION |
| 6. | Approval of Agreement with YMCA Orange County to provide services for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program during the 2025/26 School Year | ACTION |

E. Administrative Services – Carl Erickson

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| 1. | Approval of Agreement with All City Management Services Inc. – Crossing Guard Services | ACTION |
| 2. | Approval of Agreement with West Coast Protection, LLC, dba: Interquest Detection Canines, to Provide Contraband Inspection | ACTION |

XI.	Board Member/Superintendent Comments	INFORMATION
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XII.	Adjournment	ADJOURNMENT
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Recess and/or closed session to be called at the discretion of the Board. Meetings of the Board shall adjourn at or before 11:00 p.m. unless approved by a majority vote of the Board.

Materials related to this agenda submitted to the Board of Trustees less than 72 hours prior to the meeting are available for public inspection by contacting the Superintendent's Office at 11019 Valley Home Avenue, Whittier, CA 90603, or (562) 902-4203 during normal business hours.

The next scheduled Lowell Joint School District Board of Trustees Meeting is Monday, September 8, 2025.