

Meridian Elementary School District

Board Meeting Minutes

August 17th, 2026

1. Call to Order

The board meeting was called to order at **5:30 p.m.**

Roll Call

Present:

- Andy Long
- Suzana Davis
- Rob Jones

2. Andy Long led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Community Recognition: N/A

4. Emergency Items: N/A

5. Consideration/Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Upon review, the Board approved June 25th, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Long motioned to approve, and Mrs. Davis seconded the motion to approve June 25th Minutes.

Motion: Jones

Second: Long

Vote: Unanimous (3-0)

The school board closed open session at 5:35.

6a. PUBLIC HEARING –

Re-adoption of the 2026–2027 District Budget

The Board opened the Public Hearing for the Re-adoption of the 2026–2027 District Budget at 5:35.

The purpose of the hearing was to provide an opportunity for public to review and comment regarding the proposed Re-adoption of 2026-2027 District Budget.

Public Comment:

No members of the public were present to comment.

The Public Hearing was closed at 5:36.

No action was taken. Re-adoption of the 2026–2027 District Budget was scheduled for a subsequent Board meeting.

Reconvened regular session at 5:36

Closed regular session at 5:37

6b. PUBLIC HEARING –

Re-adoption of the 2026-2027 Local Control and Accountability Plan

The Board opened the Public Hearing for the 2026–2027 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Re-adoption at 5:37.

The purpose of the hearing was to provide an opportunity for the public to review and comment regarding the proposed LCAP.

Public Comment:

No members of the public were present to comment.

The Public Hearing was closed at 5:38.

No action was taken. Re-adoption of the 2026–2027 Local Control and Accountability Plan was scheduled for a subsequent Board meeting.

Reconvened regular session at 5:38

7. New Revenue Allocations

LCFF and Other State Revenue increased our 26/27 budget by \$229,826.

CDE website shares how these new funds can be utilized.

- Mrs. Davis asked whether the funds could be used for a new playground. Lori explained that the district has already begun a revitalization plan, and those funds may potentially be used to replace the existing playground, depending on how the funds are allocated. The district is also exploring other funding opportunities.
- This resource will roll over if not utilized in the 26/27 school year.

8. Superintendent Report:

- Mr. Chris Meyer introduced Mrs. Jennifer Wall as Meridian Elementary School's new fiscal secretary. Mrs. Wall was given a warm welcome from the board and staff members.
- Mr. Chris Meyer shared highlights from his experience at the SSDA Conference, where he connected with fellow educational leaders and developed valuable networking relationships that may benefit the school in the future.
- Mr. Chris Meyer shared information about the Leader in Me training, noting that it was informative and beneficial. Although technical issues made it difficult to fully participate, several key topics were

covered, including Lighthouse Teams, Franklin Covey's 7 Habits, and strategies for becoming an initiative-taking leader to better encourage and support students.

- Mr. Meyer shared information about PBIS and the ongoing training that will be provided to staff throughout the school year. The training will focus on consistently enforcing expectations, effectively communicating with students, and modeling the positive behaviors and attitudes we want students to demonstrate.

9. Public Comment:

No members of the public were present to comment.

- Jenna Marlow submitted a public comment via email, which Mr. Meyer read aloud to the Board and members of the public. Due to the length of Ms. Marlow's comment, the email has been included in its entirety as an attachment to these Board meeting minutes.

10. Consideration of Approval for Resolution #2627-1 Designation of District Representatives

Upon review, the Board approved Resolution #2627-1. Mr. Jones motioned to approve, and Mrs. Davis seconded the motion of approval.

Motion: Jones

Second: Davis

Vote: Unanimous (3-0)

11. Consideration of Approval of 2026/2027 Parent Student Handbook

Upon review, the Board approved the 2026/2027 Parent Student Handbook pending applicable changes that have been requested by the board. Mrs. Davis motioned to approve, and Mr. Long seconded the motion for approval.

Motion: Davis

Second: Long

Vote: Unanimous (3-0)

12. Consideration of Approval to Adopt/Amend Board Policies

1. **Amendment of Policy 39: Purchase of Supplies and Equipment**
2. **Adoption of Policy 47: Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, Anti-Intimidation, and Anti-Bullying.**
3. **Adoption of Policy 48: Probationary/Permanent Status**

Upon review, Mrs. Davis motioned to approve pending applicable changes for the adoption/amendments of board policies and Mr. Jones seconded the motion for approval.

Motion: Davis

Second: Jones

Vote: Unanimous (3-0)

13. Consideration of Approval to hire Ms. Julianna Padilla on a provisional Internship permit (PIP) for grades 3&4.

Upon review, Mrs. Davis motioned to approve, and Mr. Long seconded the motion for approval.

Motion: Davis

Second: Long

Vote: Unanimous (3-0)

Public open session was adjourned at **7:15 p.m.**

14. The Board met in closed session at 7:15 p.m.

- Pursuant to Gov. Code #53956 and #54957, and Ed. Code #35146 the Board may recess to closed session for one of the following: Personnel, Negotiations, Pending Litigation, or Student Concerns.

Closed Session concluded at **8:18 p.m.**

15. Reportable Actions: N/A

16. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Tresler

School Secretary

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Board President

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Board Clerk

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Dist. Supt/Board Secretary