

Lowell Joint School District  
11019 Valley Home Avenue, Whittier, CA 90603

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
August 5, 2024 – 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

#### I. Call to Order

6:30 p.m.

##### A. Comments from the Public

INFORMATION

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##### 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. 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 17, 2024, 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

A. Resolution 2024/2025 No. 938 Approving Agreement for the Funding from the Education Innovation and Research (EIR) Grant

ACITON/  
(RESOLUTION)

## VI. Business Services – David Bennett

- A. Rejection of Non-Responsive Macy Elementary School Flooring Abatement bid from Lawrence W. Rosine, Co. for CUPCCAA Bid #202324-001 ACTION
- B. Agreement with FORMA Engineering and Contracting, Inc., for Flooring Abatement on the Macy Elementary School Campus, CUPCAA Project, Bid #202324-001 ACTION
- C. Approval of Agreement with Nigro & Nigro to perform Audit Services ACTION
- D. Approval of Agreement with Nigro & Nigro to perform Measure LL Audit Services ACTION

VII. Human Resources – Jim Coombs

No Items Except on Consent

VIII. Educational Services – Rhonda Overby

- A. Revision of Independent Study BP 6158 INFORMATION/  
(FIRST READING)
- B. Revision of Independent Study BP 6158 SECOND  
READING/  
ACTION
- C. Approval of the Lowell Joint School District’s Response to the 2023-24 Orange County Grand Jury Report: “Use of Artificial Intelligence in K-12 Public Schools (K-12), It’s Not Elementary.” ACTION

IX. Administrative Services – Carl Erickson

No Items Except on Consent

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

- 1. Approval of Independent Contract with Little Ears Therapy Center for speech services for the 2024-2025 School Year ACTION/  
(RATIFICATION)

2. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Lowell Joint School District and *Orange County Superintendent of Schools/Connections Program* for the 2024/2025 School Year ACTION/  
(RATIFICATION)
  3. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Irvine, Department of Ophthalmology and Lowell Joint School District for the 2024/2025 School Year ACTION/  
(RATIFICATION)
- B. Business Services – David Bennett
- 1, Purchase Order Report 2024/25 #1 ACTION/  
(RATIFICATION)
  2. Consolidated Check Register Listing Report 2024/25 #1 ACTION/  
(RATIFICATION)
- C. Human Resources – Jim Coombs
1. Employer-Employee Relations/Personnel Report 2024/25 #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 Boys & Girls Club La Habra to provide services for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION
  2. Approval of Consultant Agreement with Kenny Huff to provide Tech Design for Lowell Joint Youth Theatre Productions for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION
  3. Approval of Consultant Agreement with Kenny Huff to provide Tech Design for Lowell Joint Performing Arts/Rancho Starbuck Theatre Productions for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION
  4. Approval of Consultant Agreement with **Katie Ludlam** to provide Theatre Instruction (voice, choreography, stage direction and support) for Lowell Joint Performing Arts/Lowell Joint Youth Theatre Productions for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION
  5. Approval of Consultant Agreement with **Katie Ludlam** to provide Theatre Instruction (voice, choreography, stage direction and support) for Lowell Joint Performing Arts/Rancho Starbuck Theatre Productions for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION

6. Approval of Consultant Agreement with **Ron Gutterman** to provide Theatre Instruction (voice, choreography, stage direction and support) for Lowell Joint Performing Arts/Lowell Joint Youth Theatre Productions for the 2024-25 School Year ACTION
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8. Approval of Agreement with Orange County Department of Education for GATE Certification Training during the 2024-25 School Year ACTION

E. Administrative Services – Carl Erickson

1. Approval of Agreement with West Coast Protection, LLC, dba: Interquest Detection Canines, to Provide Contraband Inspection ACTION
2. Approval of Agreement with All American Officials to Provide Referee Services for After School Sports Programs ACTION
3. Approval of Agreement with All City Management Services Inc. – Crossing Guard Services ACTION

XI. Board Member/Superintendent Comments INFORMATION

XII. Adjournment ADJOURNMENT

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 9, 2024.