

LANE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT	BOARD MEETING
1200 Hwy 99 N	Tuesday, September 1, 2026
Eugene, Oregon 97402	Regular Meeting: 6:00 PM

**LANE ESD BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

1. Call Regular Meeting To Order

Board Chair

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Board Member

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Board Chair Harris

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A. Information from Administrative Staff

The Directors of Human Resources, School Improvement, Special Education, and Technology have submitted written reports to the Board on matters of interest concerning their area of responsibility.

Administrative Staff

B. Superintendent Report

Dr. Wetherell, Superintendent

C. OAESD Governance Council Board Representative

Dr. Wetherell, Superintendent

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Board, Advisors, Liaisons	
8. Lane ESD Board Member Activities and Opportunities	

9. Adjournment

- The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held Tuesday, October 6th, 2026, at the Lane ESD Main Campus, 1200 Highway 99 N, Eugene.

Board Chair



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Statement of Accountability: Land Acknowledgment

Lane ESD acknowledges that the lands we call Lane County - the lands that sustain our children, our future, and our collective well-being - are the traditional ancestral home of the Kalapuya, Siuslaw, Molalla, and other indigenous people who have lived in Lane County since time immemorial. Native children, families, and communities bear witness to a legacy of displacement and forced relocation. As an educational institution we are accountable for addressing the current and former silencing, erasure and genocide of native people in Oregon and Turtle Island. We aim to join with indigenous people, honoring their resilience, courage, and self-determination in a purposeful pursuit of justice.



Public Comment

This is an opportunity for the audience to address the Board on topics either on, or not on, the agenda. There will also be opportunities for the audience to comment on specific agenda items as the Board addresses them.

Comments Regarding Staff Members - Speakers may offer objective criticism of ESD operations and programs. The Board will not hear comments regarding any individual ESD staff member. The Board chair will direct the visitor to the procedures in Board policy KL - Public Complaints for Board consideration of complaints involving a staff member. The association contract governing the employee's rights will be followed. A commendation involving a staff member should be sent to the superintendent, who will forward it to the staff member, his/her supervisor and the Board.

The Board requests that a public comment add information or a perspective that has not already been mentioned previously, and that the patron refrains from repeating a similar point. To make a comment or present a topic during public comment, if the opportunity is available on the Board agenda, please complete the Intent to Speak card and submit it to the Board secretary prior to the start of the meeting. An individual that has submitted an Intent to Speak card and has been invited to speak by the Board chair, will be allowed three minutes.

Any person, who is invited by the Board chair to speak to the Board during a meeting, should state his/her name and address and, if speaking for an organization, the name of the organization. A spokesperson should be designated to represent a group with a common purpose.



Prepared for: Lane ESD Board of Directors
Meeting Date: September 1, 2026

Items for Information

Background

The Items for Information section provides the Board of Directors with updates, reports, and presentations intended to inform the Board about current programs, initiatives, operational matters, and activities of Lane Education Service District.

These items are informational in nature and do not require Board action. Board members may ask questions, seek clarification, and provide feedback as appropriate.

- **Information from Administrative Staff**

Purpose: The Directors of Human Resources, School Improvement, Special Education, and Technology have submitted written reports to the Board on matters of interest concerning their area of responsibility.

- **OAESD Governance Council Board Representative**

Purpose: Each ESD board appoints a representative to join the Superintendent in the OAESD Governance Council. Information from OAESD is included.

- **Superintendent's Report**

Purpose: Provide the Board with updates from the Superintendent regarding organizational priorities, district partnerships, significant activities, and other matters of interest.

- **Board Director Vacancy | Update**

Purpose: Provide the Board with an update regarding the current Board Director vacancies, including the recruitment and appointment process, application status, and anticipated next steps.

Action Requested

No action is requested. This item is provided for information and discussion.



Consent Agenda

Prepared for: Lane ESD Board of Directors

Meeting Date: September 1, 2026

Background

The Lane ESD Board of Directors Board of Directors has established a consent agenda process. Consent agenda items are routine matters that are adopted through a single motion unless a Board member or the Superintendent requests that an item be removed for separate discussion and action.

Consent agenda items are intended to streamline Board meetings by allowing the Board to efficiently address routine business while focusing discussion on items requiring additional deliberation.

Supporting materials for consent agenda items are included in the Board packet as needed. Board minutes will reflect action taken on each consent agenda item.

Any item removed from the consent agenda will be considered separately under the appropriate section of the agenda.

Consent Agenda Items:

- Lane ESD Board Meeting Minutes, June 2, 2026
- Lane ESD Board Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2026
- Declaration | Vehicle Surplus
- Human Resources Personnel Report, September 1, 2026

Action Requested

That the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approve the consent item as presented.



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Westmoreland Campus
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Board of Directors

June 2nd, 2026

Regular Meeting: 6:00 PM

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Leslie Harris called the Regular Meeting to Order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Welcome

Chair Harris welcomed those in attendance. Special Education Executive Director Molly Gillette introduced Special Education administrators Justin Radbaugh, Principal of Lane School, Dr. Jared Norris, and Savannah Ferguson, who were present for the Special Education presentation.

Board Members Present: Board Chair Leslie Harris, Directors Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Linda Hamilton, Thomas Hiura, and Nora Kent.

Administration and Staff: Superintendent Tony Scurto, Olivia Meyers-Buch (Executive Director of Business Services), Molly Gillett (SpEd) and Maria Schaad (recording secretary).

Guests Present: Justin Radabaugh (Lane ESD), Dr. Jared Norris (Lane ESD), Savannah Ferguson (Lane ESD), Echo Ingram (LCEA), and the community on line.

3. Lane Education Service District Statement of Accountability: Land Acknowledgement

The Statement was read aloud by Linda Hamilton.

4. Public Participation

No public comment.

5. Public Hearing for the 2026-27 Approve Budget

Chair Harris opened the public hearing for the 2026–27 budget as approved by the Lane ESD Budget Committee and invited public comment. There being no public comment, Chair Harris closed the public hearing.

6. Agenda Review

The Agenda was reviewed and accepted as presented.

7. Presentation | Special Education



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Executive Director of Special Education Molly Gillette introduced Life Skills administrators Savannah Ferguson and Dr. Jared Norris, who presented an overview of the Life Skills program and recent program accomplishments.

The presentation highlighted Lane ESD's partnership with Oregon Program Autism Training Sites and Supports (ORPATS), which provides evidence-based curriculum, training, and support for programs serving students with autism spectrum disorder and other significant support needs. Lane ESD renewed its partnership with ORPATS beginning in 2024, with Life Skills classrooms at Guy Lee Elementary and Cal Young Middle School selected to develop as model training sites. ORPATS resources and training are grant funded and provided at no cost to Lane ESD.

All Lane ESD Life Skills classrooms, kindergarten through transition age, received training in the STAR and LINKS curriculum. Staff at the Guy Lee and Cal Young sites received additional individualized, on-site coaching throughout the 2024–25 school year. Presenters reported significant growth in both classrooms and increased confidence among teachers and instructional assistants. During 2025–26, the sites began serving as internal learning opportunities for other Lane ESD teachers. Both sites have now met the requirements to become ORPATS training sites and are expected to serve as regional and statewide training resources beginning in 2026–27.

Presenters highlighted improvements in student independence, communication, academics, engagement, and behavior, as well as positive impacts on staff retention and professional growth. Staff emphasized that the program's goal is to build student independence rather than compliance and noted that the structured, evidence-based approach has helped staff create more consistent and supportive classroom environments.

The presentation also highlighted Lane ESD's first Art Belongs Day at the Hult Center. High school Life Skills students participated in music, dance, and visual arts activities with community arts partners. The Hult Center donated the facility and staff support, and grant funding and donations supported the event. The Arc of Lane County provided a sensory space, and accommodations were made to support students' personal-care and accessibility needs. Families were invited to the culminating performance. The Hult Center has expressed interest in hosting the event again in 2027.

In response to Board questions, staff reported that Camp Friends and Fun will not operate at full capacity during summer 2026. Instead, Lane ESD will provide an extended-school-year opportunity for rural districts while exploring more sustainable funding for the camp program, with the goal of resuming it in summer 2027.

8. Information from Admin Staff

The Board received written reports from Human Resources, School Improvement, and Technology.

9. Board Advisors and Liaison Reports

No Board advisors or liaisons were present to provide reports.

10. Action Items

Chair Harris introduced the consent agenda items



10.A. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Scurto reviewed personnel actions included in the Consent Agenda. He advised the Board that two licensed nursing positions associated with the Life Skills program were subject to layoff because component districts had elected to provide nursing services directly rather than purchase those services through Lane ESD. Lane ESD will continue to employ nursing support for rural districts outside the Life Skills program. The Consent Agenda also included resignation/retirement personnel actions.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

10.B. Accept Financial Report

Executive Director of Business Services Olivia Meyers - Buch presented the April 2026 financial report. General Fund resources were projected at just under \$35 million, approximately \$1 million below budget, primarily due to State School Fund adjustments associated with a component district's ADM and reduced revenue from component-district service orders. Life Skills costs charged to component districts had also been reduced during the year.

Projected expenditures were approximately \$2 million below budget due primarily to staffing vacancies, reduced PERS employer contributions, and health-benefit savings. The agency anticipated an ending fund balance of approximately \$3.7 million, including approximately \$1.4 million reserved for component-district flex funds and approximately \$2.5 million in unassigned ending fund balance, representing approximately 7.4 percent of operating revenues.

Superintendent Scurto noted the work of the Business Services and Special Education teams to establish Life Skills costs that protect the agency from program deficits while allowing excess funds to be returned to component districts when actual costs are lower than projected.

DIRECTOR KENT MOVED TO ACCEPT THE APRIL 2026 FINANCIAL REPORT. DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

10.C. Supplemental Budget for General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, and Internal Service Fund



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Executive Director of Business Services Olivia Meyers - Buch presented proposed supplemental budget adjustments for the 2025–26 fiscal year.

Changes to the General Fund and Internal Service Fund recategorized expenditures among appropriations and did not change the total budgets for those funds. The Special Revenue Fund budget was increased by approximately \$2 million to reflect the Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education subaward to the University of Oregon's EC Cares program, which was greater than the amount known when the original budget was adopted.

The Board discussed whether the adjustments had been reviewed with the incoming Superintendent. Staff explained that the changes were routine year-end adjustments affecting the current fiscal year rather than the incoming Superintendent's 2026–27 budget.

Chair Harris read the resolution aloud.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO ADOPT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, AND INTERNAL SERVICE FUND AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

Following clarification regarding the fiscal year affected by the action, the motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

10.D. Adopt 2026-27 Budget, Make Appropriations, Impose Property Taxes, and Categorize Taxes

The Board considered adoption of the 2026–27 budget previously approved by the Lane ESD Budget Committee.

The resolution adopted a total budget of \$81,234,074 for fiscal year 2026–27. Staff explained that the action included four components: adoption of the budget, appropriation of expenditures by fund and function, imposition of Lane ESD's permanent property tax rate of \$0.2232 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and categorization of the tax under the education limitation. The amounts and tax rate were unchanged from those approved by the Budget Committee.

DIRECTOR DUERST- HIGGINS MOVED TO ADOPT THE 2026-27 BUDGET, MAKE APPROPRIATIONS, IMPOSE PROPERTY TAXES, AND CATEGORIZE TAXES AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

10.E. Adopt 2026 - 27 Board of Directors Meeting Calendar



The Board reviewed the proposed 2026-27 meeting calendar. Discussion focused on potential scheduling conflicts associated with the November general election and the timing of the December meeting immediately following Thanksgiving. The Board agreed to schedule the November meeting for Monday, November 2, 2026, and the December meeting for the second Tuesday, December 8, 2026. The June meeting will remain on the first Tuesday, June 1, 2027.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2026-27 BOARD MEETING CALENDAR WITH THE DATES DISCUSSED. DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

10.F. Approve Agreement with Management Team

Superintendent Scurto presented the proposed 2026 - 27 Management Team Agreement. He explained that the Management Team Agreement is reviewed annually and that management representatives had met with him to discuss compensation, insurance, and other agreement provisions.

The proposed agreement included a 3.5% COLA for Management Team employees, compared with the previously negotiated 4% COLA for LCEA employees; the same insurance-contribution increase provided to LCEA employees; removal of the employee referral bonus; clarification that continuing-education approval may be obtained from an area director or supervisor; and revisions to align management leave language with applicable LCEA leave language.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR 2026-27. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

10.G. Second Reading: Adopt Policy Updates and Recommendations

Section K/L: ESD - Community Relations

Superintendent Scurto reviewed the second reading of proposed Section K/L policy updates resulting from Lane ESD's comprehensive policy manual rewrite with OSBA. The Policy Committee had reviewed the recommendations and generally supported the OSBA recommendations, while retaining certain Lane ESD-specific provisions where needed. No substantive changes had been made between first and second reading.

DIRECTOR HIURA MOVED TO ADOPT THE SECTION K/L POLICY UPDATES AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

Staff clarified that the designation identified whether local edits had been incorporated.



The motion passed by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

10.G.2 Adopt Deletions

Section K/L: Recommended Policy Deletions

The Board reviewed policies and administrative rules recommended for deletion.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO ADOPTED THE RECOMMENDED SECTION K/L POLICY DELETIONS AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

Following the vote, the Board discussed continuing the Policy Committee as Lane ESD transitions from the comprehensive policy rewrite to regular policy updates. Committee membership and Board committee assignments will be reviewed during the Board's annual organizational process.

11. Resolution in Appreciation of Superintendent Scurto Upon Retirement

Chair Harris presented a resolution recognizing Superintendent Tony Scurto upon his retirement effective June 30, 2026. The resolution recognized Superintendent Scurto's service to students, educators, staff, component districts, and regional collaboration during his tenure.

Chair Harris explained that she had requested preparation of the resolution on behalf of the Board.

DIRECTOR HIURA MOVED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF SUPERINTENDENT TONY SCURTO UPON HIS RETIREMENT. DIRECTOR DUERST - HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

Director Hamilton was not present for the vote, exiting the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The motion passed by roll-call vote.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT VOTING YES.

Board members thank Superintendent Scurto for his leadership and service. Superintendent Scurto thanked the Board and reflected on the honor of serving Lane ESD, its staff, students, educators, and component districts.

12. Discussion/Reports

12.A. Legislative Update:



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Superintendent Scurto provided a legislative and state revenue update. The most recent state revenue forecast showed improvement from the prior forecast, although he cautioned that personal income was not keeping pace with inflation and businesses continued to experience economic pressures. State reserve accounts remained strong.

Superintendent Scurto encouraged Lane ESD and its partners to focus future advocacy on targeted investments, particularly special education funding, rather than solely advocating for increases to the overall State School Fund. He noted that while statewide enrollment is declining, students receiving special education services represent a growing percentage of the student population and the cost of serving students with significant disabilities has increased substantially. He identified potential advocacy opportunities involving the special education funding cap and high-cost disability reimbursement.

12.B. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Scurto reported on planning for the Migrant Education summer program. Rising transportation and program costs, the absence of an ODE summer-learning grant, and changes to food-service availability have required adjustments. Staff were considering a four-day, Monday-through-Thursday schedule as one strategy to control costs while maintaining the program.

Superintendent Scurto also reported that the recent Youth Voice Summit was successful, with approximately 200 students participating from throughout Lane County.

He recognized the Lane County Teacher of the Year candidates. A regional honoree was expected to be selected shortly.

12.C. Assistant Supt. Update

Superintendent Scurto reported that the Assistant Superintendent search had been paused while Lane ESD and the incoming Superintendent further evaluate the agency's organizational and operational needs.

The 2026–27 budget contains capacity for an Assistant Superintendent position as well as operational needs, including facilities. Superintendent Scurto explained that he and the incoming Superintendent had discussed whether the agency's needs are best addressed through the position as originally envisioned or through a different organizational structure. The review will consider essential functions, gaps, and opportunities to combine responsibilities.

If the agency ultimately moves forward with hiring an Assistant Superintendent, Board participation in the final stages of the process is still anticipated.

12.C. Policy

The Board received for first reading Policy EFA, Employee Wellness Program, and the first portion of OSBA's April 2026 policy update.

Staff explained that EFA had required additional work during the comprehensive policy rewrite and was therefore being presented separately. The April OSBA update reflects legislative and legal changes and includes updates addressing Board meeting recordings and minutes,



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integrated pest management, building access, equal employment opportunity, veterans' preference, sexual harassment, and family and medical leave.

The policies were presented for first reading, with second reading anticipated in July. Board members were encouraged to submit questions prior to the next meeting.

13. Board Member Reports and Comments/Agenda Planning

Board members were invited to submit future agenda items to the Board Chair or Superintendent.

13.A. Board Directors

Director Kent submitted a written report and provided an additional update regarding her work with the Lane ESD Foundation.

Director Kent invited Board members to an upcoming Juneteenth event, noting that Director Hamilton, Eugene City Councilor Greg Evans, and a Lane County student involved in student voice activities were expected to participate.

Report Out| OASED

Board members reported on the OASED Spring Conference. The conference was described as well attended and focused heavily on the value of collaboration among education service districts and their partners.

Lane ESD staff presented at the conference on a program that brings educators who may be the sole teachers in their subject area within small rural districts together for professional learning and collaboration. The presentation was reported to have been well received. Lane ESD Business Services staff also provided a conference presentation targeted to financial officers.

14. Announcements/Correspondance

13.A. Announcements

Discussion around a staff retirement open house.

15. Adjournment

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held **July 28**, at Lane ESD Main Campus. Chair Harris adjourned the meeting at **7:37**



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Minutes Approved:

Leslie Harris, Chairperson

Tenneal Wetherell, Superintendent



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Board of Directors

July 28th, 2026
Regular Meeting: 6:00 PM

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Leslie Harris called the Regular Meeting to Order at 6:02 p.m.

Chair Harris welcomed those in attendance.

Board Members Present: Board Chair Leslie Harris, Directors Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Linda Hamilton, Thomas Hiura, and Nora Kent.

Administration and Staff Present: Superintendent Wetherell, Olivia Meyers-Buch (Executive Director of Business Services), Molly Gillett (Executive Director of Special Education), Morgan Christensen (Executive Director of Human Resources), Brandon Webb (Chief Information Officer), and Maria Schaad (recording secretary).

Guests Present: Christina Okesson (Lane ESD - remote), Rhonda Brown (LCEA- remote), and community on line.

2. Lane Education Service District Statement of Accountability: Land Acknowledgement

The Statement was read aloud by Director Nora Kent.

3. Public Comment

Chair Harris read public comment instructions aloud. No public comment.

4. Agenda Review

The agenda was reviewed. Chair Harris advised on changes to the agenda to include an item on the acceptance of the resignation of a board director. At the time the agenda was created, there was only one resignation letter.

5. Items for Information

5.A. Presentation | Education Services on the Serbu Campus: Program Overview and Naming

Board Chair Harris invited the Executive Director of Special Education Services to introduce presenter, Dr. Annie Galaxy, Administrator of Education Programs for Justice Involved Youth.

The presentation provided an overview of the program's evolution, history and context that is informing the consideration for the name change.



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The proposed overarching program name is Aspen Grove Education Program, with the following associated program names:

- Aspen Grove Cedar – formerly JDEP
- Aspen Grove Willow – formerly SU/RISE
- Aspen Grove MLK – the program name will remain due to its location within the Martin Luther King Jr. building; internally, the classroom will be referred to as Redwood to distinguish the level of service
- Aspen Grove Birch – new Behavioral Rehabilitation Long-Term Care and Treatment program
- Aspen Grove Juniper – new Nexus Long-Term Care and Treatment program

For day-to-day operations, staff will generally refer to the classrooms by their individual names: Cedar, Willow, Redwood, Birch, and Juniper. Staff noted that establishing consistent program names will support clear identification in communications, documentation, and operational purposes.

5.B. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Wetherell provided an update on her first several weeks with Lane ESD. She shared that she has been meeting with staff and working with the executive leadership team to develop shared leadership agreements, operating norms, and clearer decision-making structures across departments. The leadership team is also reviewing roles, responsibilities, and internal processes with the goal of increasing efficiency and strengthening collaboration across the agency.

The Superintendent reported that a significant portion of her initial work has focused on relationship-building with Lane ESD's component districts and community partners. She has begun visiting component districts and meeting with superintendents to learn about district priorities, their experiences with Lane ESD services, and opportunities for the agency to provide additional support. Feedback has included interest in greater regional coordination around legislative priorities, innovative service opportunities, state initiatives, and expanded access to special education services, particularly for rural districts.

The Superintendent also reported meeting with regional partners, including representatives from Lane Community College, the University of Oregon College of Education, Lane Council of Governments, and Lane County. She noted that Springfield Public Schools had asked her to facilitate its upcoming board retreat, which she viewed as an opportunity for Lane ESD to support a component district in a new capacity.

5.B.1. Legislative Update

The Superintendent provided an update regarding state-level education issues and Lane ESD's legislative readiness.

She discussed implementation of the Governor's executive order regarding instructional time and the challenges districts are experiencing in reconciling the new "bell-to-bell" requirements with existing Division 22 instructional-hour requirements. She explained that the two standards use different definitions and measurements, creating implementation challenges for districts. The State Board of Education and Oregon Department of Education continue to develop rules, guidance, FAQs, and other supports. The Board discussed the distinction between bell-to-bell and instructional hours and the potential financial and operational impacts on districts.



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The Superintendent noted that districts are addressing these requirements while also facing declining enrollment and broader state budget pressures. She emphasized Lane ESD's role as a regional convener and support organization and stated that the agency should remain attentive to district challenges and look for ways to reduce, rather than add to, district workload. In response to a question about how Board members can support component districts, she encouraged an approach centered on understanding district circumstances and identifying ways Lane ESD can provide practical support and efficiencies.

The Superintendent discussed initial planning for legislative readiness framework in preparation for the 2027 legislative session. The Superintendent suggested exploring an opportunity to convene local legislators and education leaders before the legislative session becomes active. The Board will continue developing legislative priorities and its approach to legislative engagement in future meetings and planning sessions.

5.B.2. Assistant Superintendent Search Update

Previously, a pause was announced on the Assistant Superintendent search. The Superintendent explained that she is still assessing the agency's organizational needs and does not currently have a strong recommendation that the position needs to be filled immediately.

The Superintendent noted that component districts are experiencing significant financial compression and reductions in administrative and other staffing. She stated that adding another administrative position at Lane ESD without first fully examining the need and cost would be inconsistent with the financial realities facing component districts. Executive leadership has expressed willingness to redistribute responsibilities while the agency continues its analysis. Feedback from component-district superintendents regarding the pause has been positive, with an expectation that Lane ESD carefully evaluate its own administrative structure and costs.

The Superintendent anticipates continuing the pause through the school year while the agency evaluates the position through both the budget-development process and an organizational/programmatic lens.

As part of the broader review, executive leadership is also examining administrative calendars, staffing structures, functions, reporting relationships, and the number of contract days associated with administrative positions. The Superintendent emphasized that no decisions have been made regarding current employees. Any potential changes affecting current management staff would not be recommended for implementation until the following school year, allowing sufficient notice and consideration of impacts to employees. The Board will be engaged as recommendations develop, particularly where contractual or budgetary action is required.

The Board discussed the history of administrative calendars and the importance of reviewing positions based on organizational function rather than individual employees. Board members expressed appreciation for the review and emphasized the importance of transparency and early Board involvement when organizational changes are contemplated.

6. Action Items

6.A. Acceptance of Resignation of Board Directors and Declaration of Board Vacancies



The Board considered the resignations of Directors Vanessa Truett and Rose Wilde, both of whom were stepping away from Board service due to family circumstances.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR TRUETT. DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

DIRECTOR KENT MOVED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR WILDE. DIRECTOR HAMILTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

The Chair noted that the vacancies would be filled in accordance with applicable Board policy and procedures.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON MOVED TO DECLARE POSITION 6, AT LARGE VACANT. DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES.

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON MOVED TO DECLARE ZONE 3 VACANT. DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.B. Board Vacancy Appointment Process and Proposed Timeline

The Board reviewed a proposed process and timeline for filling the two vacant Board positions. Staff presented three potential approaches - an expedited appointment process, an accelerated appointment process, and a maximum-recruitment approach - with an initial recommendation to pursue an expedited process while retaining flexibility depending on the applicant pool.

Under the proposed expedited timeline, vacancy information would be publicly announced and posted following the meeting. Applications would be accepted and eligibility verified from July 29 through August 5, followed by individual Board review of applications August 6 - 13. A special meeting could be held on or around August 14 to interview candidates, with appointments occurring no later than the September 1 regular Board meeting. The Board discussed the possibility of conducting a special meeting virtually. The Board discussed recruitment, applicant outreach, interview procedures, and the importance of helping prospective candidates understand the role and responsibilities of an education service district



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board member. Board members and staff agreed to use their respective networks to identify and encourage qualified candidates. Staff will prepare informational materials that Board members can use when discussing the vacancies with prospective applicants.

The Board expressed a preference for conducting candidate interviews in public session. The possibility of a special meeting for interviews remained open, with appointments anticipated by the September 1 regular meeting. The Board also discussed providing prospective applicants an opportunity to learn about Lane ESD before the formal interview. Chair Harris indicated willingness to participate with the Superintendent and Board Secretary in those conversations when appropriate.

The Board agreed that its planned Board/Superintendent retreat and related organizational work would be most useful after the vacant positions have been filled so that new Board members can fully participate.

6.C. Annual Organization of the Board for 2026 -27

6.C.1. Election of Chairperson

Chair Harris declared nominations open for the position of Board Chair. Director Duerst-Higgins, nominated Director Leslie Harris. Leslie Harris accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations from board members, closing the nomination window.

The vote was called in the form of a motion to elect Leslie Harris as Chair.

DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES.

Declaration of Election: Director Leslie Harris was elected as Chairperson of the Lane ESD Board of Directors for 2026-27.

6.C.2. Election of Vice Chair

Chair Harris declared nominations open for the position of Board Vice-Chair, Director Duerst-Higgins, nominated Director Nora Kent. Director Hamilton nominated herself, if Director Kent did not accept the nomination. Director Kent accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations from board members. Chair Harris closed the nomination window.

The vote was called in the form of a motion to elect Nora Kent as Vice-Chair.

DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES.

Declaration of Election: Director Nora Kent was elected as Vice-Chair of the Lane ESD Board of Directors for 2026-27.

6.D. Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the Consent Agenda, which included recommendations for the hiring of licensed staff as presented in the Board packet. It was noted that Board action is required for the hiring of licensed staff.



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DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HAMILTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.E. Accept Financial Report

The Board received the financial report and appropriations monitoring report. Executive Director of Business Services, Olivia Meyers Buch, noted that the June 30 figures remain unaudited and that year-end transaction processing and grant closeouts were still underway.

Revenue for 2025-26 is expected to be below the original budget, primarily due to a change in the State School Fund estimate and changes to component-district service orders. She explained that a significant change to one district's enrollment estimate resulted in an adjustment to the State School Fund calculation after Lane ESD's budget had been adopted. District service-order changes and reductions in Life Skills slot costs also reduced additional revenue received from districts.

Salary and benefit expenditures are expected to be below budget due in part to vacancies and shifts from internal staffing to contracted services. The preliminary unassigned ending fund balance is approximately 10%; however, it is cautioned that the figure is not final and includes special education program surpluses that are expected to support facility improvements.

The Board discussed planned improvements at the Westmoreland facility, including water-damage prevention, classroom modifications to better serve intensive-services programs, and required sidewalk repairs. Approximately \$200,000 may be redirected from the ending fund balance for facility needs.

She also advised the Board that one General Fund appropriation is expected to be overspent and will therefore be noted in the annual audit. The variance resulted from a late component-district service-order change and the subsequent transfer of additional funds to that district after the Board's June meeting. Staff is considering clearer parameters and timelines for future service-order changes to improve budget predictability.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.F. Approve Sole Source Procurement



The Board considered authorization of a sole-source procurement for LETRS professional development and learning materials. Staff explained that the Board approved a similar sole-source procurement the previous year for a cohort of approximately 40 regional participants. Those participants wish to continue the professional development, and an additional cohort of approximately 40 participants is proposed. Staff explained that the curriculum is copyrighted and uniquely suited to the professional learning program, making it unavailable through another source. The new agreement would therefore represent an expanded scope rather than simply a renewal of the prior agreement.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON MOVED TO APPROVE SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT FOR LETRS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING MATERIALS WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS THE ONLY RESOURCE. DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.G. Self-Certify to Increase Federal Micro-Purchase Threshold

The Board considered self-certification of the federal micro-purchase threshold at \$25,000. Staff explained that the existing federal threshold used by the agency was \$2,000, while Oregon's small-procurement threshold is \$25,000. Federal guidance allows the agency to self-certify a higher threshold. Increasing the federal micro-purchase threshold to \$25,000 would align federal, state, and local procurement practices, reduce confusion for staff regarding the funding source associated with purchases, and simplify procurement procedures. Purchases above the small-procurement threshold remain subject to intermediate procurement requirements, including solicitation of multiple bids or quotes and appropriate due diligence.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON MOVED TO APPROVE SETTING THE FEDERAL MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD AT \$25,000. DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.H. Approve Routine Designations for 2026 - 27

The Board considered the annual routine designations as presented in the Board packet. During discussion, the Board asked about the agency's use of designated legal counsel. Staff explained that the firms are used for matters including special education, investigations, and general legal guidance, and noted the importance of maintaining access to firms with experience in education and special education law.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE DESIGNATIONS AS PRESENTED IN THE AGENDA AND SPECIFICALLY:

-HUNGERFORD LAW FIRM



- MILLER NASH

-GARRETT HEMANN ROBERTSON

DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

6.I. Approval of Education Program Naming | Aspen Grove Education Program

The Board considered the proposed naming structure for the education programs previously presented to the Board. The overall program would be named Aspen Grove Education Program, with individual program/classroom names using related tree names.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED TO APPROVE THE NAMING OF EDUCATION PROGRAM ASPEN GROVE EDUCATION PROGRAM AND ALL OF THE ASSOCIATED NAMES UNDER IT. DIRECTOR KENT SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

7. Board Member Reports

Director Kent submitted a written Board member report, which was included with the meeting materials.

8. Lane ESD Board Member Activities and Opportunities

The Board reviewed upcoming professional-development and engagement opportunities. Information regarding the OSBA Annual Convention in November was included in the Board packet. The Board also discussed an anticipated fall summit in Central Oregon, with additional details to be provided when available.

9. Recess to Executive Session

The Regular Meeting recessed at 7:57 p.m. to convene in Executive Session. The Board returned from recess, opened the meeting and went into executive session at 8:12 p.m.

10. Reconvene Regular Meeting

The executive session was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. and the board returned to its regular meeting.

11. Possible Action Following Executive Session

Chair Harris opened the meeting to address action following the executive session on a personnel action and invited members who may like to make a motion on the matter discussed in executive session.



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DIRECTOR DIRECTOR HAMILTON MOVED THAT THE BOARD TAKE NO ACTION ON THIS MATTER. DIRECTOR HIURA SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, HAMILTON, HARRIS, HIURA, AND KENT, VOTING YES

The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

10. Adjournment

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held September 1, at Lane ESD Main Campus. Chair Harris adjourned the meeting at **8:38 p.m.**

Minutes Approved:

Leslie Harris, Chairperson

Tenneal Wetherell, Superintendent



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Prepared by: Olivia Meyers Buch, Executive Director of Business Services
Meeting Date: September 1, 2026

Declare Surplus Property

Background

Per [Policy DN](#), the Board may, at any time, declare ESD property as surplus and authorize its disposal when such property is no longer useful to the ESD, unsuitable for use, too costly to repair or obsolete.

The vehicles listed below were purchased for use in 1996 and 2006. Based on use conditions, these vehicles have a useful life of 10-15 years and maintaining them in operational condition is no longer cost-effective. The disposal of these vehicles was anticipated and replacements have already been purchased and put into service.

- 1998 Dodge Caravan | VIN# 1B4GP44G2WB736960
- 2006 Dodge Sprinter Van | VIN# EDOPD744265922202

Action Requested

Declare the above vehicles as surplus and direct staff to arrange for their disposal. The method of disposal will be the annual Lane County Public Works fleet auction, to be held September 21-26.



CONSENT AGENDA - ITEMS FOR ACTION PERSONNEL ACTIONS

September 1, 2026

Summary

The Superintendent submits the Personnel Report for Board review and approval, including recommended actions related to new appointments, hires, and separations of employment.

Recommendation

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the Personnel Report as presented in the Consent Agenda.

LICENSED STAFF

	<i>Employee ID #</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>
Appointment / New Hire	13094	Teacher, Life Skills (North Eugene)	7/1/2026
	14369	Teacher, Alternative Youth Program	8/31/2026
	12201	Teacher, Alternative Youth Program	8/31/2026
	13657	Teacher Consultant	8/28/2026
	14367	Teacher Consultant	8/28/2026
	14368	Teacher, Lane School	8/28/2026
	14365	Teacher, Life Skills (Madison Middle)	8/28/2026
	14362	Speech Language Pathologist	8/28/2026
	13904	Speech Language Pathologist	8/28/2026
	14363	Speech Language Pathologist	8/28/2026
	14366	Teacher, Lane School	8/28/2026
	12474	BHP Specialist	8/28/2026
	12729	Teacher, Alternative Youth Program	8/21/2026
	14371	Speech Language Pathologist	8/28/2026
	14370	Teacher, Life Skills	8/28/2026
	14212	HOPE Factory Teacher, EMS	8/28/2026
	14374	Teacher Consultant	8/28/2026
Reduction	14212	Teacher, CTE/EMS Instructor	8/31/2026
Separation of Employment	11662	Specialist, WREN	8/28/2026
	12805	Specialist, STEM/Math	8/27/2026



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July 2026 Financial Report (Unaudited)

General Fund Financial Report

The Financial Report for the General Fund for the period ending July 31, 2026 follows this report. Year-to-date operating revenues through July 31, 2026 total \$3,094,759 or 9.3% of total budgeted operating revenues as compared to \$2,947,039 or 9.0% through July 31, 2025. As usual, state school fund formula revenue constitutes the majority of funds received. Total projected resources of \$37,865,141 is \$1,182,712 more than budgeted, which is primarily due to a higher beginning fund balance as a result of more underspending in the previous fiscal year.

Year-to-date operating expenditures through July 31, 2026 total \$860,087 or 2.8% of total budgeted operating expenditures as compared to \$752,768 or 2.6% through July 31, 2025. Total projected operating expenditures of \$29,580,428 is \$694,313 less than budgeted, which is due to projected savings related to staffing vacancies and savings in health benefits when employees elect to opt out of coverage. Total projected transfers and transits of \$4,060,044 is \$1,396,198 more than budgeted, which is due to changes made to district service orders after the budget was adopted.

Projected resources and requirements through July 31, 2026 result in an ending fund balance of \$4,224,669, with \$703,340 assigned (reserved) for districts. The remaining ending fund balance of \$3,521,329 is unassigned and represents 10.5% of projected operating revenues. The projected unassigned ending fund balance reflects an increase, or operating surplus, of \$236,670.

Appropriations

A summary of appropriations for all funds for the period ending July 31, 2026 follows this report. At this time, one appropriation in the General Fund (Apportionment of Funds by ESD) is projected to be overspent, but will be corrected with board action at a later date.

Cash and Investment Account Balances by Type

	Yield	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
Municipal Investor Checking	0.09%	\$2,183,028	\$2,578,627	\$4,334,598	\$427,056
Oregon LGIP (4513)	4.00%	\$3,508,986	\$2,960,915	\$600,010	\$5,869,891
Oregon LGIP (3676)	4.00%	\$25,840	\$169,218	\$0	\$195,058
Total		\$5,717,854	\$5,708,759	\$4,934,609	\$6,492,005

Assurances

All cash, investment and credit card accounts have been balanced, reconciled and reviewed and all cash and investment accounts have been reconciled to the general ledger as of July 31, 2026.

The adopted budget reflects expected expenditures. All payroll reports have been filed and payroll liabilities have been paid timely. All federal and state reimbursement requests as well as required financial reporting forms have been filed timely. All credit card expenditures, travel and other reimbursements have been reviewed and approved at the proper level.

There have been no significant changes to the internal control system, to the accounting system or accounting policies that are significant. The business services department is adequately staffed to allow for proper segregation of duties and I am not aware of any new pronouncements or other financial changes that may require additional staff time to properly implement.

All financial statements that have been provided to the board are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and I am aware of no other financial matters that the board should be aware of at this time. I know of no cases of fraud or other misconduct and I have not been asked by the superintendent to do anything that makes me feel uncomfortable or to present any information I feel is inaccurate.

Please contact me with questions or if you would like any additional information.

LANE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT
General Fund Financial Report (Unaudited)
For the Period Ending July 31, 2026

	Fiscal Year 2025-26					Fiscal Year 2026-27					
	Final Budget	Actuals thru 7/31/2025	% of Budget	Projected thru 6/30/2026	% of Budget	Final Budget	Actuals thru 7/31/2026	% of Budget	Projected thru 6/30/2027	% of Budget	Budget Variance
RESOURCES											
State School Fund Formula Revenue											
State School Fund - General Support	\$ 18,679,394	\$ 2,926,895	15.7%	\$ 17,810,336	95.3%	\$ 18,293,546	\$ 3,066,922	16.8%	\$ 18,401,914	100.6%	\$ 108,368
Property Taxes Levied by District	9,359,045	-	0.0%	9,411,486	100.6%	9,683,779	-	0.0%	9,679,716	100.0%	(4,063)
Other Local Revenues	47,000	-	0.0%	57,513	122.4%	47,000	-	0.0%	47,000	100.0%	-
Services Provided to Districts	3,441,349	-	0.0%	3,017,995	87.7%	4,106,167	-	0.0%	4,062,152	98.9%	(44,015)
Fees Charged to Grants	700,000	-	0.0%	688,805	98.4%	600,000	380	0.1%	650,000	108.3%	50,000
Other Revenues	662,700	20,144	3.0%	865,329	130.6%	618,200	27,457	4.4%	773,450	125.1%	155,250
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 32,889,488	\$ 2,947,039	9.0%	\$ 31,851,464	96.8%	\$ 33,348,692	\$ 3,094,759	9.3%	\$ 33,614,232	100.8%	\$ 265,540
Beginning Fund Balance (District Reserves)	1,234,309	1,074,947	87.1%	1,074,947	87.1%	892,004	966,250	108.3%	966,250	108.3%	74,246
Beginning Fund Balance	1,915,193	2,279,276	119.0%	2,279,275	119.0%	2,441,733	3,284,659	134.5%	3,284,659	134.5%	842,926
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$ 36,038,990	\$ 6,301,262	17.5%	\$ 35,205,686	97.7%	\$ 36,682,429	\$ 7,345,668	20.0%	\$ 37,865,141	103.2%	\$ 1,182,712
REQUIREMENTS											
Salaries	\$ 13,283,749	\$ 356,485	2.7%	\$ 11,628,565	87.5%	\$ 13,806,620	\$ 300,952	2.2%	\$ 13,392,421	97.0%	\$ (414,199)
Associated Payroll Costs	8,702,645	201,376	2.3%	7,183,955	82.5%	9,337,161	177,323	1.9%	9,057,046	97.0%	(280,115)
Purchased Services	6,043,463	110,250	1.8%	6,098,752	100.9%	6,060,365	83,912	1.4%	6,060,365	100.0%	-
Supplies and Materials	724,853	65,156	9.0%	690,640	95.3%	679,814	39,266	5.8%	679,814	100.0%	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	#DIV/0!	21,354	#DIV/0!	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	#DIV/0!	-
Other Objects	324,933	19,501	6.0%	374,467	115.2%	390,781	258,633	66.2%	390,781	100.0%	-
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 29,079,643	\$ 752,768	2.6%	\$ 25,997,734	89.4%	\$ 30,274,741	\$ 860,087	2.8%	\$ 29,580,428	97.7%	\$ (694,313)
Transfers											
Interfund Transfers	465,000	-	0.0%	461,871	99.3%	315,839	-	0.0%	315,839	100.0%	-
Transits to Districts	4,010,894	-	0.0%	4,495,172	112.1%	2,348,007	-	0.0%	3,744,205	159.5%	1,396,198
Other Uses of Funds											
Planned Reserve (District Reserves)	440,383	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	1,567,254	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	(1,567,254)
Planned Reserve	209,617	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	666,974	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	(666,974)
Reserved for Next Year	1,833,453	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	1,509,614	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	(1,509,614)
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$ 36,038,990	\$ 752,768	2.1%	\$ 30,954,777	85.9%	\$ 36,682,429	\$ 860,087	2.3%	\$ 33,640,472	91.7%	\$ (3,041,957)
ENDING FUND BALANCE	-	\$ 5,548,494		\$ 4,250,909		-	\$ 6,485,581		\$ 4,224,669		
Assigned for Districts				\$ 966,250					\$ 703,340		
Unassigned Fund Balance				\$ 3,284,659	10.3%				\$ 3,521,329	10.5% *	
* Percent of Operating Revenues				\$ 4,250,909					\$ 4,224,669		

LANE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT
Appropriation Monitoring
For the Period Ending July 31, 2026

Fiscal Year 2026-27

		Adopted Budget	Actuals thru 7/31/2026	% of Budget	Projected thru 6/30/2026	% of Budget	BUDGET VARIANCE	NOTES
GENERAL FUND	100							
Instruction		15,387,850	27,453	0.2%	15,034,949	97.7%	352,901	+
Support Services		14,886,891	832,634	5.6%	14,545,479	97.7%	341,412	+
Transfers of Funds		315,839	-	0.0%	315,839	100.0%	-	+
Apportionment of Funds by ESD		2,348,007	-	0.0%	3,744,205	159.5%	(1,396,198)	- pending board action
Contingencies		2,234,228	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	2,234,228	+
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance		1,509,614	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	1,509,614	
Total		36,682,429	860,087	2.3%	33,640,472	91.7%	3,041,957	+
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	200							
Instruction		3,529,726	159,835	4.5%	3,176,754	90.0%	352,973	+
Support Services		13,680,821	592,942	4.3%	12,996,780	95.0%	684,041	+
Enterprise and Community Services		95,000	-	0.0%	85,500	90.0%	9,500	+
Apportionment of Funds by ESD		25,656,712	148	0.0%	25,143,578	98.0%	513,134	+
Total		42,962,260	752,925	1.8%	41,402,612	96.4%	1,559,648	+
DEBT SERVICE FUND	300							
Support Services		2	0	2.5%	2	100.0%	-	+
Debt Service		1,123,916	-	0.0%	1,123,916	100.0%	-	+
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance		75,253	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	75,253	
Total		1,199,171	0	0.0%	1,123,918	93.7%	75,253	+
INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	600							
Instruction		25,000	-	0.0%	25,000	100.0%	-	+
Support Services		365,214	-	0.0%	250,000	68.5%	115,214	+
Total		390,214	-	0.0%	275,000	70.5%	115,214	+
GRAND TOTAL	ALL	81,234,074	1,613,012	4.1%	35,039,391	43.1%	4,792,072	



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Meeting Date: September 1, 2026

Appoint Budget Committee Members and Identify Vacant Budget Committee Positions

Background

Per [Policy DBEA](#), the budget committee consists of the seven elected Board members and eight members appointed by the Board from component school district boards or designees of component district Boards. The members appointed by the Board shall consist of five members selected by ESD zone and three members selected at large.

On June 30, 2025, the make-up of the budget committee was as follows:

Position	Appointed Member	Zone	Component School District	Term Ends
1	Jenny Jonak	1	Eugene	June 30, 2026
2	Mike Anderson	2 *	Creswell	June 30, 2027
3	Tom DiLiberto	3 ^	Eugene	June 30, 2027
4	VACANT	4		June 30, 2027
5	Jim Chapman	5	Lowell	June 30, 2028
6	VACANT	At-Large		June 30, 2028
7	Robin Zygaitis	At-Large	Bethel	June 30, 2028
8	Mizu Burrus	At-Large	Mapleton	June 30, 2026

* Position 2 should be represented by Zone 2: Eugene - South

^ Position 3 should be represented by Zone 3: Springfield

At this time, we are requesting action to correct that zone representatives live within the

appropriate zone, appoint a budget committee member, and declare two budget committee positions vacant.

Action Requested

Appoint budget committee members and identify vacant budget committee positions as follows:

- Remove Mike Anderson from Position 2 (Zone 2: Eugene - South) and appoint him to Position 6 (At-Large).
- Remove Tom DiLiberto from Position 3 (Zone 3: Springfield) and appoint him to Position 2 (Zone 2: Eugene - South).
- Appoint Amber Langworth to Position 3 (Zone 3: Springfield).
- Declare Position 1 (Zone 1: Eugene - North) vacant.
- Declare Position 4 (Zone 4: West / North County) vacant. To be eligible for appointment, the appointive member must live within the Bethel, Blachly, Fern Ridge, Junction City, Mapleton, or Siuslaw district boundaries.
- Declare Position 8 (At-Large) vacant.

If these actions are taken, the make-up of the budget committee would be as follows:

Position	Appointed Member	Zone	Component District	Term Ends
1	VACANT	1	Eugene	June 30, 2029
2	Tom DiLiberto	2	Eugene	June 30, 2027
3	Amber Langworthy	3	Springfield	June 30, 2027
4	VACANT	4		June 30, 2027
5	Jim Chapman	5	Lowell	June 30, 2028
6	Mike Anderson	At-Large	Creswell	June 30, 2028
7	Robin Zygaitis	At-Large	Bethel	June 30, 2028
8	VACANT	At-Large		June 30, 2029



Lane ESD Board Member Activities and Opportunities

Prepared for: Lane ESD Board of Directors

Meeting Date: September 1, 2026

Background

The Lane ESD Board of Directors may receive information regarding upcoming conferences, meetings, trainings, community events, and other opportunities relevant to Board service. Board members may also share reports on recent activities or events they have attended on behalf of Lane ESD.

This agenda item is intended to support ongoing Board development, communication, and engagement with educational partners and the communities served by Lane ESD.

- **OAESD Fall Summit**
 - **October 5 and 6th, 2026 | Bend, Oregon**
 - *Registration deadline: September 4, 2026*
- **OAESD Legislative Committee: Nominations Are Open**
 - The OAESD Governance Council is asking for nominations for **ten members** of the Legislative Committee for the 2027 Legislative Session.
 - **Due:** no later than September 4, 2026.
- **Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) Fall Regional Meeting**
 - **Fall Regionals | October 13, 2026**
 - *Board Training | 5:30 p.m.*
 - *Dinner | 6:30*
 - *Presentation | 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.*
- **Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA)**
 - *OSBA Annual Convention | November 12-14, 2026 | Portland, Or.*

Action Requestion

No Action is requested. This item is provided for information and discussion.