



**Regular School Board Meeting of the  
LJSD Board of Trustees**

March 4, 2026 6:00 PM

Administrative Offices,  
15506 N. Washington Street,  
Rathdrum, ID 83858

**A. Call Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting was officially called to order at 6:00 p.m by Chair Thompson.

**In Attendance:**

Chair Thompson, Trustee Brodhead, Trustee Bain, and Trustee Quimby.

**B. Welcome Visitors / Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Thompson welcomed attendees and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to approve the agenda.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Public Input**

Mary Kemp addressed the Board of Trustees with her concerns regarding the rezoning proposal. Ms. Kemp stated the community needs longer and broader rezoning discussion to solve the concerns at Garwood and Betty Keifer elementary schools. Her opinion is if the rezoning is approved, it will be disruptive and harmful to all students involved.

A letter for public input from R.D. Garfield was distributed to the Trustees.

**E. T.R.U.S.T. Presentation Timberlake High School**

Timberlake High School Principal, Ryne Eberlin, presented the eight student recipients of the T.R.U.S.T awards with their certificates and a brief outline of their accomplishments.

**F. Action Items**

**F.1. Appoint Clerk of the Board**

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to appoint Sara Broderius as Clerk of the Board.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

**F.2. Appoint District Custodian of Records**

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to appoint Sara Broderius as District Custodian of Records.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

F.3. Approve THS and LHS Valedictorian and Salutatorian

**Motion:** Trustee Quimby moved to approve Malia Miller as the THS Class of 2026 Valedictorian, Andrew Fuentes as the THS Class of 2026 Salutatorian, Amanda Olson, Brock Raebel, Jaxon Sanborn and Colt Williams as the LHS Valedictorians and Leeann Lohf as the LHS Salutatorian.

**Second:** Trustee Bain seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

F.4. LHS Instructional Minutes Change and Final Exam Schedule Change - The trustees heard the context requiring the proposed changes.

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to approve the proposed changes to the LHS Instructional Minutes and Final Exam Schedule Change.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

F.5. LEA Request to Begin Negotiations

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to approve the invitation to begin the Interest Based Bargaining with the LEA.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

F.6. UPS Battery Backups & Network Switches Project Bids.- The trustees reviewed and discussed the RFQ and bid process with CFO Jessica Grantham.

**Motion:** Trustee Quimby moved to award the UPS Battery Backups & Network Switches Project Bid to Ednetics.

**Second:** Trustee Brodhead seconded the motion.

**Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

F.7. Plant Facilities Levy - the Trustees reviewed the resolution to put the Plant Facilities Levy on the May 2026 ballot. A discussion was held regarding the maintenance needs of the district and the potential impact to the community tax payers. The trustees spoke with Facilities Director Tim Haag and CFO Jessica Grantham to determine what projects are of immediate concern. If the community passes the levy in May, a workshop will be held to plan and outline the district's approach to its immediate and long term facility needs.

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to approve the "Resolution Calling for School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy Election" with a language change to reflect the whole name of the district on the resolution document.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:** Trustee Bain: Yes

Trustee Brodhead: Yes

Chair Thompson: Yes

Trustee Quimby: Yes

**G. Discussion Items**

G.1. Determine Date for Possible Expulsion Hearing - The trustees scheduled an Expulsion Hearing for March 16th at 6:00 p.m.

G.2. Facilities Workshop - The trustees were in agreement that scheduling a facilities workshop will best serve the needs of the district and the time of all staff

if addressed after the district has the results of the Plant Facilities Levy from the May ballot.

G.3. April 1st Special Board Meeting- The trustees decided not to hold the Special Board Meeting on April 1st as it is scheduled during the district's spring break.

G.4. OWL - Meeting Recording System - The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the Clerk of the Board's suggestion for a replacement of the current meeting recording system. Chair Thompson stated she felt the improvement would be for the benefit of the community. Trustee Bain agreed and suggested this expense should be addressed during the budgeting process.

G.5. Zone Change for Schools - The trustees discussed the proposed zone changes which will impact Garwood, Twin Lakes and John Brown elementary schools. The capacity and classroom sizes were reviewed as well as public commentary and parent discussions. Superintendent Rusty Taylor stated he believes this is the best option for the community and asks for a decision at the March 18th board meeting.

G.6. Four Day School Week - Trustee Bain began the conversation by distributing a document outlining the number of days elementary students would be starting and traveling to school in the dark based on the proposed four day school week options. The trustees acknowledged the appeal a four day school week has for many families and teachers, but also indicated the concerns being brought forth by other families include issues such as childcare, the length of day for students, the impact a four day school week would have on classified staff, the reduction in special education hours and how all of those concerns balance with the potential financial impact for the district. The trustees will continue to review all data and community input.

G.7. District Leadership Team (possible action) - Chair Thompson asked for discussion on updating the duties of the Clerk of the Board to include attendance at the District Leadership Team meetings. Chair Thompson indicated this would allow the Clerk of the Board to better understand the District as a whole. Trustee Bain mentioned this would also allow the Clerk of the Board to build the relationships required to properly execute the role of the Clerk of the Board.

**Motion:** Chair Thompson moved to add District Leadership Team to the Clerk of the Board's job duties.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:** Motion carried unanimously.

## H. Dates to Remember

The trustees reviewed the following dates:

**March 11th at 6:00 p.m.** - Executive Session

**March 12th at 5:30 p.m.** - Long Range Planning Committee

**March 16th at 6:00 p.m.** - Executive Session (to replace Policy Workshop)

**March 18th at 6:00 p.m.** - Regular Board Meeting

**I. Board Member Input for Future Agenda Items**

None.

**J. Enter Into Executive Session per IC 74-206**

**Motion:** Trustee Bain moved to enter into executive session pursuant to IC 74-206.

**Second:** Trustee Quimby seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:** Trustee Bain: Yes  
Trustee Brodhead: Yes  
Chair Thompson: Yes  
Trustee Quimby: Yes

**J.1. Executive Session A**

Recess: 8:01 p.m.

Entered: 8:12 p.m.

In Attendance: Lakeland High School's Principal Jimmy Hoffman, Assistant principals Shannon LaFontain and Dustin Frank, and Athletic Director Matt Neff. Clerk of the Board Sara Broderius and Olivia Jones were also present.

Session Concluded: 10:12 p.m.

**J.2. Executive Session B**

Recess 10:12 p.m.

Entered: 10:15 p.m.

In Attendance: Clerk of the Board Sara Broderius and Olivia Jones. Superintendent Rusty Taylor and Assistant Superintendent Jake Massey joined the executive session at 10:38.

Session Concluded: 10:54 p.m.

**Post Executive Session**

The Regular Meeting reconvined at 10:54 p.m. with no action being taken.

Meeting adjourned at:10:55 p.m.

Attests:

Respectfully Submitted:

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Michelle Thompson, Board Chair

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Sara Broderius, Clerk of the Board