

Idaho Digital Learning Alliance

Virtual Meeting of the Board of Directors
9199 W. Black Eagle Drive, Boise ID 83709

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Meeting ID: 208 342 0207

April 14, 2026

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

Board Members Present

- Mrs. Megan Sindt, Mr. John Stiffler, Mr. Jeff Schutte, Mrs. Karla LaOrange, Mr. Matt Valadao ,
Mr. Norm Stewart , Mr. Brian Lee, Mrs. Debbie Critchfield

Board Members Absent

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Staff Members Present

- Mr. Ryan Gravette, Mr. Jeff Farden, Dr. Jeff Simmons, Ms. Jolene Del Re, Ms. Kim Caldroney, Mr.
Brian Smith, Mr. Monte Woolstenhulme, Mr. Brad Patzer, Mrs. Kass Cornish, Mr. Tyler Nicholas

Others Present

- Mrs. Allison Duman

Call to Order, Introductions, and Welcome @ 10:00 AM

I. Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. John Stiffler and seconded by Mrs. Karla LaOrange. The motion is unanimous.

II. Public Comment

Open Forum is held only during regularly scheduled Board meetings—not during special meetings or Executive Sessions—and is limited to a total of fifteen minutes, with individual speakers allowed up to five minutes each. The Board Chair may adjust speaking time, limit the number of speakers, or request group representatives to summarize shared viewpoints. Priority is given to individuals addressing agenda items or those who have not recently spoken at Open Forum. Public testimony must not include comments about employees, personnel matters, disciplinary issues, personal grievances, or partisan political topics. Board members do not respond during the forum, but concerns raised will be recorded and may be addressed at a future time.

III. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes
2. Expenditures

3. Personnel

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mr. Matt Valadao and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion is unanimous.

IV. Action Items

1. Policies, 1st Reading

- a. #3270 - District Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks
- b. #3275 - District Provided Mobile Computing Devices
- c. #3570 - Student Records
- d. #3570-P(1) - Student Records - Maintenance of School Student Records
- e. #4260 - Records Available to the Public
- f. #8605 - Retention of District Records
- g. #8700 - Computer Software
- h. #9550 - Cybersecurity Data Breach Response Policy

A motion to approve the first reading of policies #3270, #3275, #3570, #3570-P(1), #3570-P(2), #4260, #8605, #8700, and #9550 was made by Mr. Brian Lee and seconded by Mr. Jeff Schutte. The motion is unanimous.

2. Policies, 2nd Reading

- a. #7225 - Financial Fraud and Theft Prevention
- b. #7455 - Federal Department of Suspension
- c. #7460 - Use of Public Funds - Prohibition on Contracting with Abortion Providers
- d. #7500 - New Fees or Increase of Fees
- e. #7600 - Declaration of Financial Emergency
- f. #7600-P(1) - Declaration of Financial Emergency - Financial Emergency Declaration Requirements

A motion to approve the second reading of policies #7225, #7455, #7460, #7500, #7600, and #7600-P(1) was made by Mrs. Karla LaOrange and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion is unanimous.

3. Policies, Final Reading

- a. #7430 - Travel Allowances and Expenses
- b. #7440 - IDLA Credit Cards
- c. #7450 - Federal Cash Management
- d. #7450-P(1) - Federal Cash Management - Timely Obligation of Funds
- e. #7450-P(2) - Federal Cash Management - Federal Program Income

A motion to adopt into board policy and approve the final readings of policies #7430, #7440, #7450, #7450-P(1), and #7450-P(2) was made by Mrs. Karla LaOrange and seconded by Mr. Brian Lee. The motion is unanimous.

4. Fall 2026 / Spring 2027 Enrollment Priorities

A motion to table the agenda item titled 'Fall 2026 / Spring 2027 Enrollment Priorities' to allow for additional input and discussion at a later date was made by Mr. Brian Lee and seconded by Mrs. Debbie Critchfield. The motion is unanimous.

V. Updates

1. Board Member Updates- All

The Board members all provided different updates pertaining to their industries, regions and or districts

2. Superintendent Update - Mr. Jeff Simmons
 - a. Legislative Session Summary
Dr. Simmons identified the pieces of legislation that affected IDLA and the specifics of each.
 - b. Strategic Planning
Dr. Simmons explained the current strategic planning process and shared the Belief, Vision and Misson statements that have been finalized.

VI. Executive Session

Per [Idaho Code 74-206(1)(d)] To consider records that are exempt from public disclosure.

Section 74-206 Idaho Code

RESOLUTION TO RECESS FROM A PUBLIC MEETING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chair announced that the next order of business would be Executive Session.

After a full and complete discussion, upon motion duly made by

Mr. John Stiffler and seconded by
Mr. Matt Valadao, the following resolution was presented:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees/Directors of Idaho Digital Learning Alliance recess from a public meeting into executive session in the manner and for the purpose authorized by Section 74-206(1)(d), Idaho Code, to [To consider records that are exempt from public disclosure;], as set forth in Section 74-206(1) (d), Idaho Code.

Executive Session was entered into at 11:21 a.m.

Roll Call was taken and the following board members were present:

Norm Stewart , Chair

John Stiffler

Jeff Schutte

Megan Sindt

Debbie Critchfield

Brian Lee

Matt Valadao

Karla LaOrange, Vice Chair

The following staff were also present in Executive Session:

Dr. Jeff Simmons

Mr. Ryan Gravette

Mr. Tyler Nicholas

Exeuctive Session concluded at 11:31 a.m.

VII. Resume Open Session

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Matt Valadao and seconded by Mrs. Karla LaOrange at 11:33 a.m. The motion is unanimous.

2026 Board Meeting Dates

- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - Virtual 10:00 a.m. MST
- Tuesday, June 16, 2026 - Face-to-Face, Boise, Noon MST