

Idaho Digital Learning Alliance

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

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Meeting ID: 208 342 0207

June 16, 2026

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 @ 2:15 PM

Board Members Present

- Mr. Norm Stewart , Mr. Brian Lee, Mr. Jeff Schutte, Mr. Matt Valadao , Mrs. Karla LaOrange, Mrs. Megan Sindt, Mrs. Michelle Clement Taylor , Mr. John Stiffler

Board Members Absent

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Staff Members Present

- Dr. Jeff Simmons, Mr. Ryan Gravette, Mr. Brian Smith, Mr. Jeff Farden, Ms. Kim Caldrony, Ms. Julie Patterson, Ms. Jolene Del Re, Mr. Monte Woolstenhulme

Others Present

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Call to Order, Introductions, and Welcome @ 2:15 PM

I. Agenda

The meeting began at 2:17 pm

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Matt Valadao and seconded by Mr. Jeff Schutte. 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 Mrs. Michelle Clement-Taylor and seconded by Mrs. Karla LaOrange. The motion is unanimous.

IV. Action Items

1. Revised FY 2025 -2026 Budget

A motion was made by Mr. John Stiffler to approve the revised 2025-2026 budget and seconded by Mr. Matt Valadao. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. FY 2026-2027 Budget and Staffing

A motion was made by Mr. John Stiffler to approve the FY 2026-2027 budget and staffing as presented and seconded by Mr. Matt Valadao. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. 2026-27 Strategic Plan

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Schutte to approve the 2026-2031 strategic plan as presented and seconded by Mr. Matt Valadao. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. 26-27 Handbooks

A motion was made by Mr. Matt Valadao to approve the 2026-2027 Handbooks as presented and seconded by Mrs. Michelle Clement-Taylor. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Policies, 1st Reading

- a. #5120 - Equal Employment Opportunity and Non-Discrimination
- b. #5125 - Reporting New Employees
- c. #5130 - Administrative Leave
- d. #5200 - Applicability of Personnel Policies

A motion to approve the first reading of policies #5120, #5125, #5130, and # 5200 was made by Mrs. Karla LaOrange, and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Policies, 2nd Reading

- a. #2320 - Health, Sex Education, and Human Sexuality
- b. #5000 - Personnel Policies Guiding Principles
- c. #5100 - Hiring Process and Criteria
- d. #5100-P(1) - Hiring Process and Criteria -Procedures of Obtaining Personnel Records for Applicants
- e. #5100-P(2) - Hiring Process and Criteria - Veteran's Preference
- f. #5110 - Criminal History/Background Checks

A motion to approve the second readings of the following policies: #2320, #5000, #5100, #5100-P(1), #5100-P(2), and #5110 was made by Mr. Jeff Schutte and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion was unanimously approved.

7. 2026-2027 Board Meeting Dates

The following dates were presented for approval:

- August 3, 2026 - Face-to-toFace, Boise, 5 pm MST
- September 8, 2026 - Virtual, 10 am MST
- October 13, 2026 - Virtual, 10 am MST
- November 3, 2026 - Face-to-Face, Boise, Noon MST
- January 12, 2027 - Virtual, 10 am MST
- February 2, 2027 - Face-to-Face, Boise, Noon MST

- April 13, 2027 - Virtual, 10 am MST
- May 11, 2027 - Virtual, 10 am MST
- June 8, 2027 - Face-to-Face, Boise, Noon MST

A motion to approve the dates was made by Mr. John Stiffler and seconded by Mrs. Michelle Clement-Taylor. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. Updates

1. Board Member Updates- All

The board members updated each other on various topics from within their regions, districts and industries.

2. Superintendent Update - Mr. Jeff Simmons

a. Recognition of Service - Mr. Ryan Gravette and Mr. Jeff Schutte

Dr. Simmons thanked the two gentlemen for their years of service and the valuable contributions they have made to IDLA and the Board of Directors.

b. New Board Member Candidate

Dr. Simmons updated the members of the board on the incoming member that will be put to vote joining our August 2026 meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 2:59 p.m. by Mr. Jeff Schutte, seconded by Mr. Matt Valadao. The motion is unanimous.

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