

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MAY 11, 2026  
5:00 PM @ ELC BOARDROOM  
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**100: CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

The meeting of the Linn-Mar Board of Directors will be called to order at 5:00 PM in the boardroom of the Educational Leadership Center (3556 Winslow Rd, Marion). Roll will be taken to determine a quorum.

\_\_\_\_\_ Buchholz \_\_\_\_\_ Foss \_\_\_\_\_ Langston \_\_\_\_\_ Mansoor \_\_\_\_\_ Morey \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas \_\_\_\_\_ Lowe Lancaster

**200: ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** to adopt the agenda as presented.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**300: PUBLIC HEARING – Refer to Exhibit 801.1**

*(SPG #1-Community Engagement)*

A public hearing will be held on the amended certified budget for fiscal year 2026.

**400: DISTRICT HIGHLIGHT MOMENT**

**500: AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS**

*(SPG #1-Community Engagement)*

Those who signed up to speak will be called to the microphone in order of sign up. The board will receive and acknowledge comments but will not engage in a dialog with the speaker because of the set agenda. Remarks are limited to three minutes per speaker and should be shared in a respectful manner.

**600: INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

**601: Facilities Assessment Report**

*(SPG #5-Resource Management / BG #3.c-District Culture)*

OPN Architects will report on the recent facilities assessments.

**602: Venture Academics Advisory Report**

*(SPG #2-Learning Excellence / BG #2.b-Student Learning)*

A report will be given on the April 30<sup>th</sup> Venture Academics Advisory meeting.

**603: Finance/Audit Committee Report** (SPG #5-Resource Management / BG #3.c-District Culture)

A report will be given on the May 7<sup>th</sup> Finance/Audit Committee meeting.

**604: Legislative Report** (BG #1.c-Visionary Team & 3.d-District Culture)

Directors Morey and Thomas will report on the legislative session.

**605: Superintendent’s Report – Exhibit 605.1** (SPG #1-Community Engagement)

Superintendent Kortemeyer will report on various items from around the district.

**700: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**701: Second Reading of Policy Recommendations – Exhibit 701.1**

**MOTION** to approve the second reading of the policy recommendations as presented in Exhibit 701.1.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**702: Review of Bids** (SPG #5-Resource Management / BG #3.c-District Culture)

Jon Galbraith, Chief Financial/Operating Officer, and Garrett Pochop, with Piper Sandler, will review the bids received regarding the sale of approximately \$29,545,000 General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes, Series 2026.

**703: Approval of Resolution – Roll Call Vote – Exhibit 703.1**

Jon Galbraith, Chief Financial/Operating Officer, will review the resolution directing the sale of the General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes.

**MOTION** to approve the resolution directing the sale of \$\_\_\_\_\_ General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes, Series 2026, to \_\_\_\_\_ for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No  
\_\_\_\_\_ Buchholz \_\_\_\_\_ Foss \_\_\_\_\_ Langston \_\_\_\_\_ Mansoor \_\_\_\_\_ Morey \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas \_\_\_\_\_ Lowe Lancaster

**800: NEW BUSINESS**

**801: Approval of Amended FY26 Certified Budget – Exhibit 801.1**

**MOTION** to approve the amended certified budget for fiscal year 2026 as presented in Exhibit 801.1. (SPG #5-Resource Management / BG #3.c-District Culture)

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**802: Approval of Magma Math Subscription – Exhibit 802.1**

Nathan Wear, Associate Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer, will share information on the Magma Math program.

**MOTION** to approve the Magma Math subscription agreement for grades 9-12, at \$11,200.00/year for three years, as presented in Exhibit 802.1.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**803: Approval of Open Enrollment Requests** (SPG #2-Learning Excellence & 3-Learner Experience)

**MOTION** to approve the open enrollment requests as presented.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

Approved IN	Student Name	Grade	Resident District	School Year
	Kirksey, Ky'aire	K	Cedar Rapids	2026-27

Approved OUT	Student Name	Grade	Requested District	Reason	School Year
	Seastrom, Easton	10	Springville	Good cause	2026-27

Denied OUT	Student Name	Grade	Requested District	Reason	School Year
	Hanson, Chloe	6	MID Home School	Late, no good cause	2026-27

**804: Approval of Student Fees for 2026-27 – Exhibit 804.1**

**MOTION** to approve the student fee schedule for the 2026-27 school year as presented in Exhibit 804.1.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**805: Approval of FY27 LMSA Agreement** (SPG #4-People & Culture / BG #3.a-District Culture)

**MOTION** to approve a 3.03% total package increase for the Linn-Mar Service Association for fiscal year 2026-27.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**806: Approval of FY27 Transportation Department Agreement**

**MOTION** to approve a 3.00% total package increase for the Transportation Department staff for fiscal year 2026-27. (SPG #4-People & Culture / BG #3.a-District Culture)

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**807: Approval of FY27 PTNS Agreement** (SPG #4-People & Culture / BG #3.a-District Culture)

**MOTION** to approve a 5.53% total package increase for the Part-Time Nutrition Services staff for fiscal year 2026-27.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**900: CONSENT AGENDA** (SPG #4-People/Culture & #5-Resource Mngmt / BG #3.a, c, d-District Culture)

**MOTION** to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Action Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: Yes / No

**901: Personnel**

**Certified Staff: Assignments/Reassignments/Transfers**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Salary Placement
Behmer, Joe	EX: From Student Dean/Athletics Activities Director to Associate Principal	7/1/2026	\$92,000/year
Dirks, Jessica	EX: Teacher Leader Instructional Coach	8/12/26	MA+45, Step 27
Hayes, Beth	ESY Facilitator	6/1/2026	\$5,000
Ptacek, Lucas	ELC: Director of High School Teaching & Learning	7/1/26	\$130,000/year
Vint, Audrey	OR: 8 <sup>th</sup> Gr Science Teacher	8/12/26	BA, Step 3

**Certified Staff: Resignations**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Reason
Bolinder, Kiley	OR: 7 <sup>th</sup> Gr Reading Teacher	6/5/26	Relocation
Church, Kathryn	District: Home School Teacher	6/4/26	Retirement
Fontenot, Elizabeth	HP: Vocal Music Teacher	6/5/26	Personal

**Classified Staff: Assignments/Reassignments/Transfers**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Salary Placement
Cook, Robin	NS: OR General Help	4/29/26	PTNS, Step 1
Himmel, Emily	OR: Student Support Associate	4/27/26	LMSEAA A, Step 1
James, Hayleigh	LG: Student Support Associate	8/18/26	LMSEAA A, Step 1
King, Kelly	NS: EX General Help/Cashier	4/29/26	PTNS, Step 1+.25
Rowland, Timothy	LMHS: Student Support Associate	5/4/26	LMSEAA A, Step 1

**Classified Staff: Resignations**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Reason
Ancheta, Anthony	O&M: LMHS Custodian	5/6/26	Other employment
Buelow, Greg	LG: Student Support Associate	5/8/26	Other employment
Cassill, Jennifer	NS: EX General Help/Cashier	6/4/26	Personal
Johnson, Senica	LG: Student Support Associate	5/22/26	Other employment
Kainz, Laura	LMHS: Student Support Associate	6/5/26	Other employment
Kruger, Tiffany	LMHS: Student Support Associate	4/23/26	Personal
Martin, Joseph	O&M: EX Custodian	5/7/26	Other employment
Minehart, Amanda	LMHS: Student Support Associate	4/17/26	Personal
Seale, Ashley	LMHS: Student Support Associate	4/22/26	Personal
Thompson, Karla	HP: Student Support Associate	6/5/26	Personal

**Co/Extra-Curricular Staff Schedule H: Assignments/Reassignments/Transfers**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Salary Placement
Burke, Shawn	LMHS: Spring Musical Director (.5)	4/23/26	\$2,349
Jorgensen, Jack	LMHS: Assistant Musical Director (.3)	4/14/26	\$625
Read, Henry	LMHS: Assistant Sophomore Baseball Coach	5/4/26	\$3,523

**Co/Extra-Curricular Staff Non-Schedule H: Assignments/Reassignments/Transfers**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Salary Placement
Earnest, Valerie	WE: Accompanist	4/28/26	\$215

**Co/Extra-Curricular Staff: Resignations**

Name	Assignment	Dept Action	Reason
Blakely, Karla	LMHS: Student Council Sponsor	6/4/26	Personal
Bolinder, Kiley	OR: Assistant 7 <sup>th</sup> Gr Girls Basketball Coach	5/4/26	Personal
Bradley, Rylie	LMHS: Head JV Poms Coach	4/21/26	Personal
Geers, Mike	EX: Head 7 <sup>th</sup> Gr Wrestling Coach	5/5/26	Personal

**902: Approval of April 27<sup>th</sup> Board Minutes – Exhibit 902.1****903: Approval of May 6th Special Session Minutes – Exhibit 903.1****904: Approval of Bills/Warrants – Exhibit 904.1****905: Approval of Contracts/Agreements – Exhibits 905.1-4**

1. PowerSchool: License and subscription renewal (\$60,463.65)
2. MJ Care: LEA Medicaid Billing & Business Associate agreement
3. Lonni Lane Marketing/Candace Fleming: Stories Alive program agreement and independent contractor agreement for presenter (\$12,000)
4. Wendy Morton: Independent contractor agreement for summer band lessons substitute (\$27.33/hour)
5. Interagency contracts for Special Education instructional services with Empowering Excellence Charter School (2). *For student confidentiality, exhibits are not provided.*

**906: Overnight Trip Request – Exhibit 906.1**

FBLA to attend Nat'l Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas (June 28-July 3)

**1000: BOARD CALENDAR & COMMUNICATIONS****1001: Board Calendar & Communications**

Date	Time	Event	Location
May 13	5:15 PM	LIONS & Volunteer Awards	ELC Boardroom
May 21	5:30 PM	Marion City Council (Thomas)	City Hall
May 24	1:00 PM	LMHS Commencement Ceremony	Alliant Energy Powerhouse
May 25	--	No School (Memorial Day Holiday)	--

Date	Time	Event	Location
June 4	--	<i>Last Day of School (2-Hour Early Dismissal)</i>	--
June 4	5:30 PM	Marion City Council	City Hall
<i>June 5</i>	--	<i>Teacher Workday</i>	--
June 8	5:00 PM	LMCSD Board of Directors Meeting	ELC Boardroom
June 18	5:30 PM	Marion City Council	City Hall

## **1002: Board Committees/Advisories**

### **Required Board Committees/Advisories**

Committee/Advisory	Board Representatives
Finance/Audit Committee (F/AC)	Buchholz, Mansoor, Morey
Policy Committee	Langston, Lowe Lancaster, Thomas
Career & Technical Education Advisory (CTE)	Foss, Langston, Mansoor
School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC)	Foss, Langston, Mansoor

### **Additional District Committees/Advisories**

Committee/Advisory	Board Representatives
Facilities Advisory Committee	Foss, Lowe Lancaster, Thomas
Venture Academics Advisory (VAA)	Langston, Mansoor, Morey
LMHS School Counselors Advisory	Lowe Lancaster, Mansoor
MEDCO Community Promise Advisory	Buchholz, Mansoor
Linn County Conference Board	Langston
Cedar Rapids Examining Board	Buchholz
Legislative Liaisons	Morey, Thomas

## **1100: ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ PM.

**Action**                      **Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Second:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Carried: Yes / No**