

League of Women Voters of Pullman Observer Report

Name of Agency: Pullman School District Board of Directors

Date: 3/11/2026

Observer Reporting: Anderson Brian

Length of Meeting: 80 minutes

Members Present: Lisa Waananen-Jones, Stephanie Horn, Deena Bayoumi, Arron Carter

Members Absent: Craig Nelson

Others Present (e.g., media, public):

Business pertaining to League Positions or Topics of Interest: *Include in this section 1) issues discussed that relate to League priorities or positions. Do you recommend local league action? If so, please refer to the League position that supports your suggestion. 2) links to further information available on an issue, if available.*

Board Member Lisa Waananen-Jones did a presentation on publicly available data about the school district on the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) website. Included comparisons of enrollment and salaries across districts.

There was a presentation about the mentor program at the district that is designed to support teachers and promote retention.

There were public comments about the recent vote on extending the superintendent's contract. Commentators stated that Directors should have voted to renew Maxwell's contract because the majority of comment at the February 25th meeting was to renew it. The commentators stated that comments received outside of the meeting should have little to no weight.

There was a public comment from a representative of the Regional Theatre of the Palouse.

Public Meetings of Interest to League: *Were there any public meetings announced that you think League members may be interested in attending and/or becoming involved with that relate to League positions?*

Process & Protocol: *(Observations about participants and procedures of the meeting) e.g., Did the members appear to have done their "homework"? Were members courteous to each other and the public? Was access to materials for certain agenda items available to you?*

Your additional comments/opinions:

Reminders ☺

A LWV Observer is impartial, silent, and respectful. It is, however, acceptable to ask questions for clarification following the meeting.

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Please attach any materials, or links to such, received at the meeting that you feel are important to your report. Please submit your report to the LWV Observer Chair within one week of the meeting.

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