



Washington Latin

Washington Latin board fall retreat - Oct 2026

in person @ 2nd St

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Date and Time

Tuesday October 6, 2026 at 12:30 PM EDT

Location

in person @ 2nd St

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Lunch at 2nd Street			12:30 PM
A. Lunch			30 m
	• Catered lunch/informal conversation groups with leadership team members and new faculty in the second-floor conference room • Opportunity to engage with fellow board members • Informal "meet and greet" board prospect		
II. Soaking in The Latin Way			1:00 PM
A. Q&A with Tiffany Austin, Director of the Upper School			15 m

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B. ETA/G Period (Observe Classes)			45 m
• US room 211 - Honors US History - Bhuva and Warga • US room 213 - Honors Humanities - Abraham-Macht and Smith • US room 217 - Calculus - Raskin • MS room 138 - Science 5 - Bane			
C. ZETA/F period (Observe Classes)			45 m
US room 205 - Advanced Arabic Studies - Porcelli US room 212 - AP Calculus AB - Love US room 215 - Precalculus - Wai and Sadiq MS room 031a - English 8 - Shek MS room 132 - 6th grade YES - Spiegel MS room 237 - Life Science 7th - Jones, Niles			
D. Choral Performance/Transition Time			15 m
Gather in the lobby			
III. Opening Items			3:00 PM
A. Record Attendance			
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Ken Merritt	1 m
C. Welcome And Framing		Ken Merritt	2 m
D. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes		1 m
Approve minutes for Washington Latin board meeting - Aug 2026 on August 27, 2026			
E. Approve Consent Agenda	Vote		2 m
Included in the consent agenda for review in advance of the meeting:			
• LEA Report			

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• Risk Monitoring Update			
F. Q&A with the Principals	Discuss		10 m
G. Academic Updates	Discuss	Caroline Gifford	12 m
IV. Board Business			3:28 PM
A. Finance Update		Geovanna Izurieta	30 m
• June financials • Updating check-signing policy • Updating board-designated reserve policy • Contracts over \$25,000 • Update on the audit • New audit committee			
B. Governance Update	Discuss	Aswathi Zachariah	15 m
• Q&A with Colleen Niese, Board candidate • Vote on candidacy • Competency matrix • Board member training • Update on beginning of the year paperwork			
C. LEA Report		Peter Anderson	10 m
• Advocacy issues • Q&A on the report			
D. Fundraising			7 m
V. Meeting with student support department			4:30 PM
A. Meeting with the team			20 m
• Introduction of the team • Highlights and challenges			

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• Q&A			
VI. Closing Items			4:50 PM
A. Wrap-Up/Takeaways		Ken Merritt	5 m
B. Adjourn Meeting	Vote		

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