

LA VERNE YOUTH & FAMILY ACTION COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
January 27, 2026

1. A meeting of the Youth & Family Action Committee was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Committee Members present:

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Lauren Foerch, BHS
Brittany Allison, BUSD Board Member
Denise Fisher, Resident
Don Kendrick, Resident
Ron Serven, Resident

2. UPDATED BYLAWS DRAFT

Assistant City Manager JR Ranells reviewed the process for discussion and adoption of the updated bylaws draft. The committee discussed the option of adopting the bylaws at the meeting or postponing adoption to a future meeting. Don Kendrick moved to adopt the updated bylaws draft, seconded by Ron Serven. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

3. EXECUTIVE BOARD STRUCTURE & REPRESENTATIVES

Ron Serven nominated Don Kendrick to serve as Chair. Brittany Allison seconded the nomination. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Ron Serven nominated Brittany Allison to serve as Vice Chair. Don Kendrick seconded the nomination. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Denise Fisher nominated Ron Serven to serve as Secretary. Brittany Allison seconded the nomination. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

4. SRO Report

Corporal Chavira reported on the soft lockdown drill conducted at Bonita High School in November and shared that the next scheduled hard lockdown drill is planned for February 11. Sergeant Flores and Corporal Chavira also attended a Crisis Prevention class. Updated school maps were obtained and distributed to patrol units. Lieutenant Alvarado shared that several new police officers have recently joined the department and are doing a great job.

5. CRR Specialist Report Community Risk Reduction Specialist Lonnie shared information regarding the Explorer Program pipeline and reported that the La Verne Fire Department is hiring its first former explorer into the Ambulance Operator program. He also provided an update on the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan process currently underway.

6. BUSD Report BUSD Representative Steven Patterson reported that this is a busy season for the Bonita Unified School District. He shared that the district recently celebrated partnerships with organizations that support local families and noted that BUSD held a food drive to assist families in need. He also reported that while enrollment has declined slightly, test scores, family engagement, and school programs continue to show positive progress.

Mr. Patterson also shared upcoming schedule changes, including Transitional Kindergarten moving to approximately 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Kindergarten moving to 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to align with first and second grade schedules. He also provided an update on the district bond measure being pursued to address facility repair needs across the district.

Student Representative Report

Lauren Foerch shared updates on school sports and noted that PACE drafts for seniors are due soon. She also reported that the choir's Cabaret Night was taking place that evening.

7. YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Assistant City Manager JR Ranells provided an update on the potential Youth Apprenticeship Program. He shared information about possible participating businesses where students could apply and discussed the partnership process with the La Verne Chamber. Discussion also included a suggested revision to the program language to state "resident of La Verne or attend a La Verne school."

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion was held regarding e-bikes. It was noted that La Verne Daily will be hosting a town hall on the topic. The Police Department shared that information has been made available to the public, and the school district noted

that it has also been educating families. Anne Marie Miller spoke regarding Project One Cause, which supports families of children who have suffered traumatic brain injuries from drowning. Senior Management Analyst Erin Beilstein provided an update on the Utility Box Project and shared that it would be presented to the Design Review Committee on February 3, 2026. Additional discussion was held regarding the BUSD bond measure.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next YFAC meeting was scheduled for March 24, 2026 at 5:00pm.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Beilstein
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