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**Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (BOC)
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 20, 2021, 6:00 p.m. (PST)
Baker School District 5J, District Office**

PRESENT

Bond Oversight Committee

Jess Blatchford
Liz Burton
Kevin Cassidy
Nathan Defrees
Josey Gaslin
Loran Joseph
Dave Lindley
Bruce Nichols
Phil Stone
Deon Strommer

Staff

Mark Witty, Superintendent
Dieter Nevels, Business Manager
Lindsey McDowell, Communications
Jason Todd, Technical Coordinator

Wenaha Group

Cassie Hibbert

A. Call to Order

Superintendent Witty called the bond oversight committee meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. (PST)

B. BOC Member Introductions

C. Review of BOC Roles and Responsibilities

Superintendent Witty reviewed the Charge for the Baker School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) with the group.

D. Regular BOC Meetings – What to expect

Superintendent Witty set the expectation of regular meetings at least quarterly, but likely more often, and reviewed what a normal meeting agenda would entail.

E. Update on Bond Sale

Superintendent Witty provided an update on the \$4MM general obligation bond sale process. Eleven banks bid during the private sale process, which was chosen over a public sale process largely due to projected tax payer savings; and the projected levy rate is \$0.61/\$1,000 AV, a savings from the originally estimated \$0.66/\$1,000 AV. A private sale process was an option given the dollar amount and length of this bond.

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F. Master Schedule Overview

Superintendent Witty provided an update on next steps and the overall project schedule. Two proposals were received for Project Management Services when the school district advertised a request for proposals. BOC members Josey Gaslin and Loran Joseph will assist in the Project Manager selection process along with representatives from the school board.

G. Master Budget Overview


Superintendent Witty and Cassie Hibbert reviewed the list of bond projects and associated cost estimates prepared by Wenaha Group and updated in January 2021. Superintendent Witty also provided a reminder of the funding sources, including the \$4MM general obligation bond, \$4MM Oregon School Capital Improvement Matching (OSCIM) grant, and \$4MM+ from various other school district funding sources, including the Student Investment Account (SIA) and Capital Projects fund.

H. Next Meetings

The next meeting of the Bond Oversight Committee will be scheduled for September 2021.

I. Adjourn

There being no further business before the committee, Superintendent Witty adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m. (PST)



Superintendent Signature



Date