



**Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (BOC)
Regular Meeting Minutes
Meeting 10: Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 5:30 PM (PST)
Baker School District 5J, District Office & Zoom**

PRESENT

Bond Oversight Committee

Jess Blatchford
Kevin Cassidy
Nathan Defrees
Loran Joseph
Katie Lamb
Bruce Nichols
Phil Stone

BSD5J Staff

Erin Lair, Superintendent
Regina Sampson, CFO/Business Manager
Lindsey McDowell, Communications

Wenaha Group

Cassie Hibbert
Shandiin Yessilth

LKV Architects

Amber Van Ocker

CB Const, Inc

Derek Howard
Jason Pennington

1. Call to Order

Superintendent Lair called the BOC meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. (PST)

2. Review January 5, 2023, Bond Scope Summit materials and district school board feedback

Wenaha Group, LKV Architects, and CB Const, Inc, representatives walked the group through the presentation given to school board members during a January 5 board work session ("Bond Scope Summit") to help determine the new scope of 2021-23 capital bond projects going forward.

The group reviewed the following factors that shaped the updated estimate and scope options going into the process:

1. Bond Counsel that the caption and intent of the bond had to meet "Bond to Upgrade Maintenance Systems, Construct School Cafeteria, Improve Safety"
2. An approximately \$8 million construction budget with funding source restrictions
3. Early procurement of the BMS HVAC equipment that had already taken place
4. The land use and building permit already approved for the historic design of the new Middle School Cafeteria/Multi-Purpose Building
5. Existing conditions of the various school buildings.

The group then reviewed the original and updated budget for bond projects that took place in mid-2022, and the shortfall based on updated cost projections for all the remaining projects as designed.

From there, various options for cost savings were discussed in the process toward adopting an updated scope for remaining bond projects. Bond Oversight Committee members were in agreement with the initial school board feedback from the January 5 work session, which included a general desire to move forward with construction of the new Middle School Cafeteria/Multi-Purpose Building as previously designed; installation of the HVAC equipment already procured for BMS; work at the Baker Early Learning Center tied to legislative grant funding, including lower roof HVAC, access control, cameras, and the PA system; as well as secure main entries at Baker High School, Baker Middle School, South Baker Intermediate, Haines Elementary, and Keating Elementary. If funds are left over, additional projects would be identified for completion.

Using collaborative leadership, Baker 5J schools enhance community vitality by providing cradle-to-career opportunities across broad, integrated learning platforms for rewarding educational experiences.

Mr. Cassidy plans to attend the regular school board meeting on Thursday, January 19, to provide this feedback to the school board as they make a formal decision on the new scope of 2021-23 capital bond projects going forward.

3. General Questions & Discussion

None.

4. Adjourn

There being no further business before the BOC, Superintendent Lair adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m. (PST)



[Erin Lair \(Jan 17, 2023 16:21 PST\)](#)

Superintendent Signature

Jan 17, 2023

Date