



School Board Budget Committee Meeting Agenda

May 14, 2024, 5:00 PM

Location:

Education Center, Board Room #314
520 NW Wall Street
Bend, OR 97703

1. **Call to Order**
Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair Marsh Rhodes
2. **Review of Agenda** 2
Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair Marsh Rhodes
Attachments:
- 5.14.24 Agenda - BORRADOR 2
3. **Public Comment**
Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair Marsh Rhodes
Description: This is the time provided for individuals to address the Board. Public Comment requests are accepted in advance via Google Form until 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting for both in-person and virtual comment. Individuals may also sign up for public comment on the day of the meeting on a space available basis in alignment with Governance Process 6 (GP-6). In-person sign up will be accepted at the boardroom door until 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.
4. **Consent for Action**
Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair Marsh Rhodes
Description: Items that are routine in nature are placed on the Consent Agenda. Any item placed on the Consent for Action may be removed at the request of any Board member prior to the time a vote is taken. All remaining items of the Consent for Action are then disposed of in a single motion.
- A. Approval of Minutes 3
Description: April 9, 2024, Budget Committee Meeting
Reference: ORS 192.650 and ORS 332.057
Attachments:
- 4.9.24 Minutes - DRAFT 3
5. **Reports**
A. Budget Information Update
Speaker(s): Leah Bibeau, Finance Director
6. **Action Items**
A. Budget Committee Approval of 2024-2025 Budget
Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair Marsh Rhodes
7. **Adjourn**



Agenda para reunión del Comité de Presupuesto de la Junta Escolar- BORRADOR

14 de mayo de 2024, 5:00 PM

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1. **Apertura de la reunión**

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

2. **Revisión de la agenda**

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

3. **Comentarios públicos**

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

4. **Consentimiento para la acción**

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

A. Aprobación de actas de la reunión

Descripción: 9 de abril del 2024, reunión del Comité de Presupuesto; *Referencia: ORS 192.650 y ORS 332.057*

5. **Reportes**

A. Actualización de información sobre el presupuesto

Ponente: Leah Bibeau, Directora de Finanzas

6. **Discusión**

A. Preguntas y discusión del comité

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

7. **Propuestas de acción**

A. Aprobación del Comité de Presupuesto para el presupuesto del 2024-2025

Ponente: Marsh Rhodes, Presidente del Comité de Presupuesto

8. **Cierre de la reunión**



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Meeting Date: April 9, 2024

Board Members

Kina Chadwick:	Absent
Cameron Fischer:	Present
Marcus LeGrand:	Present
Carrie McPherson Douglass:	Present
Shirley Olson:	Present
Amy Tatom:	Present

Budget Committee Members in Attendance:

Sharon Bellusci
Ned Lutz
Cara Marsh-Rhodes
Natasha McFarland
Robert Penson
Seth Isenberg

1. Call to Order

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair McFarland

Discussion: The meeting was called to order by Budget Committee Chair Natasha McFarland at 4:00 pm.

2. Review of Agenda

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair McFarland

Attachments: 4.9.24 Agenda - BORRADOR

Discussion: There were no changes to the agenda.

3. Public Comment

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair McFarland

Description: This is the time provided for individuals to address the Budget Committee.

Discussion: There were no requests to provide public comment.

4. Election of Budget Committee Officers

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair McFarland

Discussion: Committee Chair McFarland asked for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair of the 2024-25 Budget Committee.

Natasha McFarland nominated Cara Marsh Rhodes as Chair. Robert Penson seconded the motion. Unanimous approval; Cara Marsh Rhodes abstained due to conflict.

Amy Tatom nominated Natasha McFarland as Vice Chair. Marcus LeGrand seconded the motion. Unanimous approval; Natasha McFarland abstained due to conflict.

5. Reports

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair

A. Budget Message

Speaker(s): Superintendent Cook

Attachments: Budget Message

Discussion: Superintendent Cook read his budget message from the 2024-25 Proposed Budget.

B. Budget Document

Speaker(s): Brad Henry, Chief Operations and Financial Officer

Description:

- 2024-25 Superintendent's Budget Message
- 2024-25 Proposed Budget At-a-Glance
- 2024-25 Proposed Budget

Discussion: Leah Bibeau, Finance Director, provided the committee members with a hard copy of the 2024-25 Proposed Budget as well as applicable variance reports. She noted that May 3rd is the deadline for committee members to submit questions to the budget team, so they can gather answers prior to the next budget meeting. She provided an overview of the state budget by biennium and year dating back to 2011, noting that ESSER funds must be fully spent by the end of the fiscal year 2023-24. She noted that the district is also having to use one-time funds and reserves due to low funding by the state.

Bibeau shared highlights of the 2024-25 budget and assumptions for 2025-26 and beyond. She noted a 10% reduction in non-salary discretionary funds across the board. The plan for 2024-25 is for a 3% reduction in positions, approximately 58, most of which will take place through attrition. The plan will be reassessed once the 2025-27 state funding has been finalized. Bibeau noted that if no increased funding from the state is received, additional staff reductions will need to take place in 2025-26. Everyone was encouraged to advocate to their state representatives for a 16.6% increase that would fund schools at the quality education model.

C. Local Option Levy

Speaker(s): Superintendent Cook

Attachments: Executive Summary: Why a Local Levy?

Discussion: Superintendent Cook shared background information on why Bend-La Pine Schools has opted to ask voters for a local option levy. He discussed the six strategic priorities that require additional funding to adequately meet the needs of students and staff effectively. Discussion ensued regarding how the funds would be allocated if the levy were to pass and how the needs of the district are evaluated.

6. Adjourn

Speaker(s): Budget Committee Chair

Description: Meeting will be adjourned with next Budget Committee Meeting scheduled for May 14, 2024.

Discussion: Budget Committee Chair Cara Marsh Rhodes adjourned the meeting at 5:01 pm.

Recorded by: Janet Bojanowski, Board Clerk