



Cheney Public Schools 2024 Bond Program Bond Advisory Team Meeting Minutes #06

Location: 12414 S. Andrus Rd, MR Conference Room, Cheney, WA 99004

Date: July 14, 2025

Time: 5:00 p.m.

I. Introductions – Presented by Ben Ferney, Superintendent

- Introductions:
- This meeting was kicked-off at 5:00 p.m. with a welcome back to the sixth Bond Advisory Team (BAT) by Ben Ferney, Superintendent.
 - Each of the team members (BAT) were asked to introduce themselves including their Name & Role (e.g., *Parent Rep, Student Rep, School Board Member, etc.*)

II. BAT Feedback – Presented by Ben Ferney, Superintendent

- Superintendent Ferney asked BAT members to break into groups and discuss the following questions.
 - What is going well?
 - What are your current concerns?
 - What feedback have you received from the community, whether hearing feedback first-hand or reading comments on social media platforms?
- What is going well? Seeing progress at the high school is exciting.
- Additional feedback, thoughts, community concerns?
 - There is some confusion regarding the Purple Pipe Project; some members of the community think that it is a district project.
 - Some community members have heard rumors that pickle ball courts are being installed as part of the Crunk's Complex update.
 - Initial concerns about an electrical box near the Salnave bus loop; Rich Brown confirmed the electrical box has been removed and will not be an issue.
 - Any discussion about a maintenance funding cycle that keeps the district in a proactive state and not left without funds for things that break?
 - Finance Director Jamie Reed shared we are figuring out replacement schedules and budgeting out how to use Capital levy dollars to keep us proactive and on top of future maintenance needs.



- When do we anticipate building a new transportation facility? Looking into options. The 2024 bond included purchasing land for a future transportation site. Possibly in 2028-2029 when another bond drops off. We are also investigating possible cooperative opportunities with the city of Airway Heights.
- General:
 - District property in Cheney has been on water restrictions since June. Once the Purple Pipe Project is completed, we will have unlimited irrigation water.
 - Maintenance has been replacing irrigation lines due to construction; compounded field irrigation problems.
 - Director of Nutrition LJ Klinkenberg shared updates to kitchen designs for both Salnave and Windsor kitchens. Timeline to begin construction on both projects in the spring of 2026.
 - New hot water heater installation at CHS begins this week (July 14-18)
 - Continuing to look for land for a future secondary school in Airway Heights

III. Update from Construction Management Team (Turner & Townsend Heery) - Presented by Jamie Reed, Director of Finance

- Budget and resource allocation update
 - Reviewed current budget expenditures and discussed bid status.
- Projects Status, Current progress and upcoming milestones
 - Reviewed current projects underway, upcoming projects. Windsor Elementary School old-to-new will take place this summer.

IV. Conclusion & Next Steps – Team

- Review key takeaways from today's meeting
 - Your feedback is important to us. A notecard will be provided to any members that wish to provide written feedback at the end of this meeting. Written comments will be discussed at our next meeting.
- Next meeting date and focus areas
- Questions or final thoughts
- Thank you for your time and commitment!