

Community Bond Advisory Committee
Meeting #8
Tuesday, March 31, 2026
Scappoose School District

CBAC members present: Kendall Williams, Beth Rajski, Josh Komp, Vance Chauncey, Megan Hallstone, David Wasylenko, Monica Ahlers, Lucy McCoy, George Dunkel, Charlene Bassine, Jeff Howard, Vanessa Lao, Triison Meza, Joanna Wagner, Jennifer Herrick, Jarrett Trtek, Jennifer Jones, KaraLyn DeWalt, and Darlene Marquardt.

CBAC members absent: Lindsay Elder, Russ Picket, Penelope Smith, Robert Kessi, and Anton Oehlert.

SSD Board of Directors present: Gwynn Klobes and Pat Kessi.

SSD staff support present: Tim Porter, Paje Stelling, Jerimy Kelley, Darla Meeuwssen, and Julie Hinkle.

Others present: Cassie Hibbert and Patrick Linhart, Wenaha Group, and Kyle Laier, Assist Education Services.

Cassie Hibbert of Wenaha Group called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with a review of the agenda, timeline, and purpose, emphasizing that the committee is transitioning from information gathering to developing draft recommendations to be shared with the community for feedback. A recap of the February meeting highlighted prior discussions on grade configuration, site location, and cost considerations, with general preference for a grades 7–8 model and inclusion of broader district needs beyond just the middle school. Survey results from a recent bond poll were presented, indicating moderate initial support with a significant number of undecided voters, strong community recognition of facility needs, and sensitivity to cost and trust in fiscal management. The polling also showed no clear consensus on site location or grade configuration, reinforcing the need for additional community engagement. Updated facility scenarios were then introduced, including refined middle school and high school site options that incorporate reduced field impacts, potential renovation of existing buildings, increased square footage to better meet program needs, and added costs such as traffic improvements. Cost estimates ranged widely depending on the level of new construction and shared facilities, with trade-offs between cost, functionality, and long-term flexibility. The committee discussed these options and prepared to evaluate their pros and cons in smaller groups to inform the development of draft recommendations.

The committee reviewed and discussed multiple middle school and high school facility options, including new construction on the existing Middle School site (A1), partial renovation and expansion on the existing Middle School site (A2), and three high school site configurations (B1, B2, and B3). Each option's advantages and challenges were evaluated, including cost, student safety, program access, construction impact, traffic, and opportunities for shared resources. Members expressed ongoing concerns about cost, athletic facilities (particularly track and field access), adequate gym space, and long-term flexibility. Following discussion and a dot-voting exercise, the committee identified general interest in

both maintaining a middle school on its current site and exploring shared or adjacent facilities at the high school, with varying levels of support for each option. Ultimately, the group agreed to move forward with a draft recommendation framework that includes multiple scenarios—middle school at the existing site, a combined or partially shared high school/middle school configuration, and consideration of athletic fields and deferred maintenance needs. The committee emphasized that these options will be presented to the community for feedback rather than as final decisions, with the goal of refining a bond proposal based on public input.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Announcements:

Future meeting schedule

- **CBAC #9:** Tuesday, July 21, 2026