



Orting School District Bond Oversight Committee Minutes

October 19, 2026 Agenda

6:00 - 7:30 PM at OSD Central Office / Hybrid

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee Members: Michelle A., Katie B., Kristina L., Brandiwyn B., Kevin S., Josh G., Scott V.H., Jennifer J., Jon K., Peggy R., Joann T., Don T.

OSD Board Members / District Staff: Carrie T., Lovey F., Ed H., Cliff F.

District Partners: Matt R., Liz L., Kyle Y.

COMMITTEE PURPOSE

The Orting School District Bond Oversight Committee is established to: 1) provide informed community input during the design and construction process, 2) Establish open communication with the Board of Directors and establish a feedback loop, 3) help ensure bond funds are used as promised and in alignment with commitments made to voters, 4) monitor project progress, schedules, and major budget considerations, and 5) strengthen community trust through open reporting and consistent oversight.

COMMITTEE FOCUS AREAS

The committee will provide oversight and advisory feedback through two-way communication related to the District's major bond-funded construction projects, including: 1) design development and construction progress, 2) student learning environment priorities, 3) site safety, accessibility, and timeline considerations, 4) alignment with workforce and career-ready learning goals, 5) space planning to support CTE pathways and student opportunities, and 6) construction phasing and impact on ongoing school operations.

COMMITTEE DESIRED OUTCOMES

By establishing a Bond Oversight Committee, Orting School District aims to: 1) ensure responsible stewardship of public investment, 2) promote clear communication and community confidence, 3) deliver high-quality school facilities that meet student needs, 4) verify that commitments made during the bond campaign are fully honored, 5) understand and provide clarity on those outcomes through open communication.

COMMITTEE NORMS

Committee members agree to work together with the following norms: 1) Community-Centered Service: members serve in the interest of all Orting students, schools, and taxpayers. 2) Respect and Professionalism: listen actively, disagree respectfully, and remain solution-oriented. 3) Transparency and Integrity: ask questions openly and ensure information shared reflects honesty and accountability. 4) Focus on the Bond Scope: maintain attention on voter-approved projects, budget stewardship, and construction progress. 5) Collaboration and Trust: work in partnership with each other, district staff, architects, and project managers. 5) Commitment to Preparedness: Review materials in advance and attend meetings regularly.

MEETING AGENDA

In order to ensure clear, open communication between the district and local community ensuring promises made are promises kept, Bond Oversight Committee meetings will review or entail: 1) project budget and expenditure reports, 2) updates on construction schedules, timelines and milestones, 3) feedback on community priorities and design considerations, 4) review and discuss project cost, scope and/or delivery.

- I. Introductions / Welcome - President Thibodeaux called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Scott and Michell attended the meeting remotely. Peggy attended in person. Other committee members were absent. Director Thibodeaux reminded the committee about the Board of Directors' interest in partnering with the local community to ensure promises made are promises kept.
- II. Old Business - Committee meetings will be hybrid with in-person and remote availability. Meetings will be on Monday evenings from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM on 10/19, 12/7, 2/22, 4/19, and 5/24.
- III. Architect Report - NAC, Alliance and Skanska presented a joint report focused on the project budget and timeline. NAC focused on how to maximize state funding for this project and for future bond projects. The team spoke about owner added projects through added state funding. Alliance spoke about the initial project budget and the sources of bond funding. The team spoke together about the process of reconciling the construction budget. Through value engineering and reconciliation, the team saved approximately \$5.6 million thus far. NAC shared line item cost estimates that total the approximate budget. The architect team asked for feedback related to the current OHS design. They will do added work and present it to the Orting Planning Commission in December for consideration of approval. The presentation wrapped up with upcoming milestones.
- IV. Owner's Representative Report - see above
- V. General Contractor Report - see above
- VI. Open Discussion / Questions - Committee members asked questions throughout the presentation. Questions centered on the stability of state matching funds, the road from OES to Whitehawk, and timeline. Committee feedback affirmed that the District should move forward building the road to Whitehawk regardless of the roundabout construction timeline.
- VII. New Business - N/A
- VIII. Closing - Director Thibodeaux thanked members for attending. She suggested text reminders to hopefully build attendance. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.