

Coquille School District 8

Code: **DBEA**
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Budget Committee, Hearing and Adoption

Organization, Membership and Terms of Office

The district budget committee will consist of the seven members of the Board and seven electors appointed by the Board as required by law. Terms of the appointed members of a budget committee in a district that prepares an annual budget will be three years each with appointments made so that, as nearly as practicable, the terms of one-third of the members expire each year. Appointive members of a budget committee in a district that prepares a biennial budget shall be appointed to four-year terms. The terms shall be staggered so that as near as practicable, one-fourth of the terms of the appointive members end each year. The Board will establish appropriate timelines and procedures for appointment of budget committee members.

A majority of the constituted committee is required for passing an action item. Majority for a 14-member budget committee is 8. Therefore, if only 8 members are present, a unanimous vote is needed for passing an action item.

Presiding Officers and Orientation of Budget Committee

- A. **Organization:** The budget committee will hold its first regular organizational meeting on a day set by the Board that is in accordance with budget law. A presiding officer will be elected from among its members at this meeting. Such meeting may be prior to or on the date the budget message and document are presented.
- B. **Background Information:** Budget committee members will be provided with data for the ensuing year(s), such as the Board's educational plan, and other pertinent material bearing on the preparation of a school budget.

Function of the Budget Committee

It is the function of the budget committee to approve budget estimates for an educational plan previously determined by the Board. No new program should be considered for the budget estimate that has not previously been submitted to the Board and approved as a part of the educational plan. The budget committee will determine levels of spending, but will not determine programs.

Final Action

The budget committee will approve an estimated budget document for submission to the Board.

Budget Hearing

After the budget document has been approved by the budget committee, a public hearing will be held regarding the budget document. The date, time and place will be determined by the Board. At the hearing, any person may speak for or against items in the budget document.

Budget Adoption

After the public hearing on the budget and any modifications of the budget deemed necessary as a result of that hearing, the Board will approve the proper resolutions to adopt and appropriate the budget. The Board will further determine, make and declare the ad valorem property tax amount or rate to be certified to the assessor for the ensuing year or for each of the years of the ensuing budget period, and itemize and categorize the ad valorem property tax amount or rate, as provided in ORS 310.060.

The superintendent will ensure all necessary documentation is submitted to the county assessor's office as required by the Local Budget Law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 174.130](#)

[ORS 192.610 - 192.710](#)

[ORS 294.305 - 294.565](#)