

Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee |

Meeting date | time 3/29/2018 | 4:30pm | Meeting location District Office: Room 123C

Meeting called by Phil
Time called 4:35pm
Note taker Marisa Anton

Guest Attendees:

None

Committee Attendees:

Lori Bica Charles Vue Mark Goings Philip Lyons
 David Fitzgerald Caro Johnson Tim Nordin Ryan Weichelt
 Janet Seymour Anne Hartman Alicia Arnold Josh Clements
 Marquita Davis Nic Ashman Heather Nicolet Amanda Guo

Resource Attendees:

Abby Johnson Heidi White Jim Schmitt Tim Leibham
 Larry Sommerfeld Dr. Mary Ann Hardebeck

AGENDA TOPICS

Agenda topic: Public Comment | Presenter Abby

Discussion Conversation

- o No Public Present

Agenda topic: Approval of February Minutes | Presenter Abby

Discussion Conversation

- o Tim Nordin moved to accept the minutes of February.
- o Seconded by Caro Johnson. Carried by unanimous voice of acclamation.

Agenda topic Elementary Boundaries | Presenter Abby

Discussion Conversation

- o Your Voice Comment
 - o On ECASD.US website – people can ask questions or comments to the District
 - o Was this K-1 a recommendation at the time Roosevelt came up?
 - Add on
 - Create new
 - Build somewhere new
 - Adding on doesn't necessarily make sense as old is same price as new
 - o Aware that there are seats available across the District
 - o The last few meetings we have been talking about big changes, but not back then
- o What do we want this to look like – how do we want to present to the Board
- o Normally do an annual report in the coming months
- o Highclere has been brought up with regards to where do the kids go to elementary
- o Camden Place also needs recommendation

- These things started conversations about the north side boundaries - There are lots of weird places in that section
- Do we look at the new developments or do we look at historical boundaries?
- Ryan said it would be great to have data that could drive our conversations and where students currently are and where they could be going
- What if we do one recommendation by development and then we do a boundary change?
- Like the idea of redoing all the boundaries – lets not corner ourselves by making small decisions - Makes sense to look at bigger picture
- Manz and Meadowview are hot spots right now so there may need to be recommendations this year for 2018-19
- If we make an overall recommendation we can have community feedback and Board can have more time to work through the change for 2019-20
- Board has a policy in place from November – we will review boundaries every 10 years
- We make the recommendation and then the Board has the final decision
- Takes time and we want to have the community give feedback
- We have locations of every student in Eau Claire on a map and we can manipulate data to see each grade
- We can tweak thresholds to place an exact number into each school
- Program is designed to grab closest students to school/main point
- Hot spots are at 90% and above
- Maybe min is 80% and max is 90%
 - How do these max and min affect transportation?
 - When we get more information, we will invite Principals to get input and reaction
- Should we estimate how many people are in each new development?
- How many homes are in developments
 - Maybe we can estimate with and without to have some concrete information
- Sections are based upon space in buildings
- If we balance north side vs south side the north would only be at 70% and south would be 90%
- We need to approve 1 year in advance
 - We need time to make boundaries
 - Community forums
- We need to make some beginning decisions before we decide on what goes to the Board
- Provide Ryan some parameters of what we might like to manipulate data
 - Take a look at 2-3 options and Get Principal opinions
- Maybe in the mean time we look at a recommendation for problem areas
- Flexible areas target kindergarten – We don't have to move neighborhoods
- There are 47 kids that are under 1 mile that could walk to Meadowview that we are currently transporting to Manz
- Better to make some recommendations now before it is August and families have time to digest and decide
- Manz is feeling okay at this time but things can change as time goes on
- Flexible boundaries for Manz and Meadowview make sense – Robbins will need to be connected
- There are currently 8 new K-walking kids from Manz that could go to Meadowview
- Talking with Jim and Enrollment to see what is possible
- We are going to ruffle feathers no matter what we do
- We will have to narrow Manz boundaries
- Walkers go to Meadowview
- Long term may be scary – to put all the southern schools at/above 90%...
- Concerns

- What do we do with Prairie Ridge kids
 - Find elementary spaces
 - Look at Robbins for a south side PK
- Move things around the rest of the District
- Didn't think of long term at time of Roosevelt
- Nice to keep schools in neighborhoods – hard to do going forward
- Push Meadowview to Lowes Creek Road and those kids will go to Robbins
- There are a lot of kids in the Manz are in K4
- Better to consider carving out something that is closer to school
- What if we put a range of 80-90% on each – what happens then
- Keeping kids at same HS is important
- No matter what we do things can change
- Better to add onto existing school than to build a new one
- Higher capacity you have you are adding a bubble class
 - Making them one boundary and Meadowview K-2 Manz 3-6
 - This allows a different look, but can solve the problem
 - Hard if you have kids in different grades you have to go to multiple buildings
 - Can change playground and technology
 - Can help with economic diversity because you have a larger population
 - Had 3 story school that went K-8 each level had different grades
- Short, medium, long term issues
- Can we just look at north and shift the kids around there only
- Is it the best recommendation and is it fiscally responsible?
- Important to make Board aware that Roosevelt needs to be revisited
- Meadowview and Manz can both be added on to
- Recommendation is possibly different than what we thought in the past
- Rebalance north to 70% and add onto south side schools
- Good to see both options
- Need to look at elementary boundaries or as north and south?
 - How to we balance southside elementary schools
 - Committee is looking deep into this
- Would it be beneficial to have subcommittee that can meet regularly?
 - This group can come up with examples for the larger group to talk about
 - How do we respond to things financially?
 - Have short and medium solutions
 - If trends continue north side will have to grow
- Like the idea of making flexibility for Lowes Creek Road and walkers
- Long term – where are we going to add capacity on south side
- Bigger elementary schools and servicing needs seems to be a trend
- Fiscally responsible to get schools to working capacity
- Setting a goal for each meeting
 - This issue is very large
 - We have a lot of good ideas, but we take a lot of time to work through them
 - Can see sub group looking and analyzing
- Would like to see projections – this was common at HS listening sessions
 - We have the APL study
 - We are already at capacity or over
- Need to see lots of options to understand
- Need to identify issues
 - Lots of capacity on north
 - Very little on south
 - Issue with Prairie Ridge

- Maybe solutions get interesting because we have the need to do things differently
- What happens if we added sections onto Manz or Meadowview
 - Does this create long term flexibility
- Could Prairie Ridge go to Roosevelt
 - Lots of improvements have been delayed because of future renovations
- Need to list problems and feasible solutions
 - Large group or small group
 - We need to identify if we can do things like build a new school
 - Then take the solutions and then do more research
- Transportation is key
- Solutions?
- Identify sub committee
- We know we want to tell the Board what we are working on
 - Waiting to April shortens time to what we bring to Board
- Someone needs to do the work to flush out good and bad options
- We have some solutions now to start with
 - Need some concrete solutions to discuss
- Northside boundaries – we need something to look at
- Spanish immersion – Monday night information to Board
- Don't like idea of the sub group - We need to meet more or longer
- Frist 30 minutes as smaller work groups?
 - Sub groups present
- Outside information needs to be gathered
- Would like to give some concrete options to Board in May
- Time is precious - We don't typically meet in the summer
- Pressing answers - what to do with north side and Roosevelt
- We want to chunk down opportunities and work on one group at a time
- Sub group is more of a work group and everyone can work there
 - What ifs could be answered
- No decision to the Board is a decision

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Set up Work Group	Abby	April

Agenda topic *Agenda for Next Meeting* | **Presenter** *Phil*

- Discussion Conversation
- Elementary Boundaries

Agenda topic *Adjourn* | **Presenter** *Phil*

- Conclusion Closing
- Caro Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm.
 - Seconded by Tim Nordin. Carried by unanimous voice of acclamation.

Next Meeting *April 26, 2018 | 4:30p-6:00m* | **Meeting location** *District Office-Rm 123C*

Special notes: