

Boundary Advisory Committee (BAC)

Meeting Summary

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Committee Members in Attendance

Andy Anderson, Co-chair
Meghan Dougherty
Chris Farley, Co-chair
Lindsay Fitzpatrick
Hollie Jenkins
Jennifer Littlefield
Dr. Deanna Mercer
Jennifer Pace
Melanie Plowman
John Rocha
Rebecca Shah
Valerie Tyler
Emily Vitris
Julie Woods

Staff Members in Attendance

Melissa Laursen
Paul Turner
Beth Wilson

Visitors

Linzy Foster
Christian Cabazos

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
 - Welcome and introductions
 - Open meeting
 - Recognition of visitors
 - Review agenda and meeting goals
- II. Citizens' Communication
- III. Approval of Minutes (11/17/16)
- IV. Review Requests for Information
- V. Update on Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee (FABPAC) Work
- VI. Presentation on 2016-17 Demographic Update
- VII. Requests for Information and Future Agenda Items
- VIII. Adjourn

I. Call to Order

Co-Chair Andy Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm and the agenda was reviewed with the committee.

II. Citizens' Communication

Dawson parent/acting PTA President – opposed to the proposed consolidation of Dawson; the Dawson attendance area is small, and requests a boundary change to increase enrollment; the school is in a good location, offers dual language and special ed; the District should not take away a school that is located in the urban core---it would remove incentives from families looking to move into the urban core.

III. Approval of Minutes (11/17/16)

The November 17, 2016 minutes were approved, with one minor correction to add Melanie Plowman to the list of attendees.

IV. Review Requests for Information

- Charter School enrollment data was shared with the committee.
- Maps of the southwest region of Austin ISD, specifically focused around the Baranoff and Kiker attendance areas showing an aerial view and residential density will be provided at a future meeting when the topic is discussed.

V. Update on Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee

A summary of the recent work of the Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee (FABPAC) was presented.

- The FABPAC is developing preliminary Facility Master Plan (FMP) recommendations to be shared with the community at regional meetings January 24 – February 2. The FABPAC will be asking the community for feedback on the preliminary recommendations, to be further refined and presented back to the community in late February/early March.
- The preliminary FMP recommendations were developed using objective data (school utilization, facility condition assessments, and educational suitability assessments), and an agreed upon a set of Planning Strategies, which included criteria for consolidations.

VI. Presentation on 2016-17 Demographic Update

Beth Wilson presented the district's 10-year demographic update, including potential impacts on AISD schools. The annual demographic report was produced by Davis Demographics.

Key Findings:

- Student population is expected to decline over the next 10-year period, with an estimated student count of 79,762 in SY2026 (a reduction of 4,266 students or 4.8% net decrease from SY2016)
 - Last year's report projected a 7.4% net decrease over the same period.

- Student count reductions over the prior four years are found primarily at PK and K grade levels due to lower birth rates and fewer children attending AISD schools five years after their birth year (loss of market share).
- The greatest declines will be seen at the elementary and middle schools grade levels.
- Despite an overall decline, some areas of the district will continue to experience growth and overcrowding; most notably in the northwest elementary schools.
- The district is retaining more high school students than in previous years.
- Increases in student populations from new development continues to be limited due to type of housing units built, and the increase in home values and rental rates.

Notable Impacts on AISD Schools by 2021-22:

- In the **northwest region**, there is not enough capacity to relieve overcrowding for elementary schools; and growth is expected to continue. Murchison Middle School is well above the target range, and is projected to continue to grow through 2026-27.
- All but one elementary school (Allison) in the **east region** are projected to be under the target range of utilization. The student population for Mendez Middle School and Eastside Memorial High School are projected to continue to decline into SY2026-27.
- In the **southwest region**, there is not enough capacity to relieve overcrowding, with Kiker being the most overcrowded elementary school in the region.
- Baranoff Elementary and Menchaca Elementary will continue to be well above the target range in the **south central region**.
- In the **southeast region**, Blazier Elementary will continue to experience growth, well above the desired target range.
- In the **northeast region**, the student population for LBJ High School (without the LASA students) is projected to continue to decline, well below the target range.

VII. Discussion of Future Work Plan

Staff will work with the co-chairs to develop a work plan for next school year. Some BAC members stated they only wanted to hold meetings when there is possible action, and suggested cancelling meetings if there are no pressing issues to discuss.

VIII. Requests for Information and Future Agenda Items

Requests for Information

- No new items

Future Agenda Items

- Continue Greyrock Ridge discussion at a future meeting.

IX. Adjourn

Co-chair Andy Anderson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM.