

D20 Boundary Committee
September 19, 2017 – Meeting Minutes
Location – EAC Spruce I

Committee Members Present: Becky Allan, Lisa Brigger, Levka Craft, Eileen Cuthbertson, Stephen Cutler, Brookelyn Harvey, Heather Henneman, Charie Horne, Susan Judy, Tracy Kasunick, Doug Lundberg, Keshav Nambiar, Heidi Pace, Susan Paulson, Henry Reitwiesner, Mark Ressel, Brett Smith, Tonya Thompson, Michelle Tucker.

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m.

Ms. Allan welcomed everyone and invited the group to enjoy dinner as they reviewed the DRAFT minutes from the 8/24/17 meeting. Ms. Allan asked if there were any changes, updates, or necessary amendments. The committee approved the draft minutes from the August 24th meeting without the need for any changes. Copies of these ratified minutes will be posted to the website.

A committee member asked if the binders get turned back in. Ms. Allan informed the group that the binders belong to each committee member. Ms. Charie Horne asked if a list of finalized maps will be available. Ms. Allan said yes, as a part of the final report.

Ms. Allan directed the group's attention to the updated District 20 Boundary Timeline DRAFT. All suggested changes from the previous meeting are highlighted in blue.

Ms. Allan next asked members to look at the Community Forums summary sheet. Ms. Allan reviewed the information on the sheet, explaining that parents from different schools were present at each forum. Ms. Allan asked for comments from committee members who attended the Public Forums. Two committee members expressed that they thought the forums went well and were informative.

Ms. Allan shared that the summary of concerns shared at the community forums will be reviewed one by one and the committee will have the opportunity to make revisions as they deem necessary and applicable.

Concerns are italicized below with responses from the committee listed beneath:

- *Impact of out-of-district choice on enrollment.*
Some community members expressed concern that out-of-district choice results in some in-district students not being able to attend their neighborhood school or the school of their choice. Ms. Allan shared this feedback at the district level. The group agreed that this concern is outside the charge of the committee.

- *A new high school is not being built, which creates six middle schools and five high schools.*
Ms. Allan shared that instead of building a new high school, the decision was made to provide bond dollars to each school in the district for improvements. Bond dollars will fund additional classrooms at the high school level. The group agreed that this concern is outside the charge of the committee.

- Students at MS #8 will not all attend the same high school.*
 Since there will be 6 middle schools and 5 high schools, it is not feasible to eliminate a split for MS #8 students in terms of high school enrollment. In order to eliminate a split, high school enrollment numbers would be significantly out of balance. Ms. Allan asked if the committee viewed this item as actionable and they stated that it was not.
- Bradley Ranch is anticipated to be approved and it is contained in the Chinook Trail Elementary school boundary. See Cordera neighborhood map, revised maps.*
 Ms. Allan shared updated information regarding Bradley Ranch, which is projected to sit in the northeast corner of the Chinook Trail ES boundary. Due to the density of housing that is projected, keeping Bradley Ranch in the Chinook Trail ES boundary would result in enrollment at Chinook Trail being well above capacity. Bradley Ranch is not currently occupied and the following possible solutions were reviewed:

 - See draft EWES A Map, for possible implementation in 18-19. The committee approved this scenario as a recommendation, which involves Bradley Ranch being included in the Edith Wolford ES boundary beginning in 18-19. Note that projections reflect updated projections that include Bradley Ranch.
 - See draft MS #8 C 2019 Map, for possible implementation in 19-20. The committee approved this scenario as a recommendation, which involves Bradley Ranch being included in the Challenger Middle School boundary beginning in 19-20. Note that projections reflect updated projections that include Bradley Ranch.
 - See draft HS Realignment C 2019 Map (revised for Bradley Ranch) and draft HS Realignment D 2019 Map (revised for Bradley Ranch). These maps reflect revised projections that include Bradley Ranch. The committee determined that the recommended scenario remains HS Realignment C 2019.
 - See draft ES #21 H Map, for possible implementation in 21-22 or 22-23. The committee approved this scenario as a recommendation, which involves Bradley Ranch being included in the ES #21 boundary beginning when that school opens. This scenario also places another neighborhood (west of Grand Cordera Pkwy, south of Union, north of Briargate) back in the Chinook Trail ES boundary.
 - See draft MS #8 E 2022 Map, for possible implementation in 22-23 or 23-24. The committee approved this scenario as a recommendation, which aligns with draft ES #21 H. Note that projections reflect updated projections that include Bradley Ranch.
- Boundaries on east side of Sun Hills Drive align with the creek bed, but not exactly with each home parcel. Some boundaries cut through parcels.*
 Ms. Allan shared that Davis Demographics can refine the boundary to exactly align with parcel property lines.

- *One house on Pleier Drive is assigned to Antelope Trails Elementary School, while the remaining houses on Pleier Drive are assigned to Discovery Canyon Campus Elementary School. The parcel has two driveways – one out to Pleier and one out to Granby. See handout.*

In reviewing the placement of the lot on Pleier, the committee recommended assigning that lot to Discovery Canyon Campus ES, in order to have all homes on Pleier be assigned to the same school.

- *Splitting neighborhoods between Ranch Creek Elementary School and ES #20.*

While an important factor of the committee was to keep neighborhoods intact as much as possible, the group determined that the high yield rates in this area coupled with the construction of a new elementary school, made it necessary to split the neighborhood in order to support balanced enrollment and limit enrollment exceeding capacity.

- *Splitting neighborhoods in Cordera.*

While an important factor of the committee was to keep neighborhoods intact as much as possible, the group determined that the high yield rates in Cordera, made it necessary to split the neighborhood in order to support balanced enrollment and limit enrollment exceeding capacity.

- *Splitting the Sun Hills neighborhood between Discovery Canyon Campus Elementary School and Antelope Trails Elementary School. See handout.*

The committee asked for the number of students in the impacted portion of Sun Hills. Ms. Allan shared that the current study areas in Sun Hills slated to be assigned to Antelope Trails ES are projected to contain 39 K-5 residents in 18-19. The committee shared that they did not consider 39 students a large number. The committee reviewed the factors to address that the committee established during the first boundary committee meeting in February 2017. In weighing those factors, the committee recommended that the Sun Hills neighborhood not be split. The committee shared that the impact on enrollment reduction at Discovery Canyon Campus ES was not large and therefore, did not warrant splitting a neighborhood. One committee member suggested leaving Sun Hills intact and moving the entire neighborhood to Antelope Trails ES. As a result of proximity to Discovery Canyon Campus and transportation needs, this suggestion to move all of Sun Hills to Antelope Trails ES was not deemed viable. Therefore, the committee recommended ATES Plan A. This recommendation eliminates the need to address two items listed above regarding the parcel on Pleier and the exact alignment of the boundary in Sun Hills with parcel property lines.

Ms. Allan next addressed the future Sterling Ranch development, near Vollmer Road. The projections for Sterling Ranch were not included in prior scenarios. Ms. Allan requested that Davis Demographics rerun the following projections based upon updated information regarding Sterling Ranch. Updated projections are listed.

- ES #20 Resident K-5 Projections (Based upon ES #20 Plan F)
 - 2018/19 – 372
 - 2020/21 – 485
 - 2022/23 – 585
- MS #8 Resident 6-8 Projections (Based upon MS #8 Plan C 2019)
 - 2019/20 – 823
 - 2021/22 – 931

- LHS Resident 9-12 Projections (Based upon HS Realignment C 2020 Revised from Bradley Ranch)
2020/21 – 1,574
2022/23 – 1,663
2024/25 – 1,657
- MS #8 Resident 6-8 Projections (Based upon MS #8 Plan E 2022)
2022/23 – 913
2023/24 – 943
2024/25 – 933

The committee determined that the updated projections did not change any of the applicable recommended scenarios.

Ms. Allan then reminded the committee that on October 5th, the boundary recommendations will be presented to the Board of Education. Ms. Allan asked the committee to attend this Board Meeting, if time and schedules would permit.

Ms. Allan shared her overwhelming appreciation for the committee's hard work and dedication. Scott Torlucci of Davis Demographics echoed Ms. Allan's remarks regarding the committee's fine work.

As part of the Collaborative Input Model, each Boundary Committee member completed an evaluation of the process and submitted their completed form before leaving the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.