

Attendance Balancing Committee

Committee Meeting

November 9, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Dr. Carl L. James

The following members were present:

Community Members: John Carl, Robert Cook, Kathy Fisher, Carrie Freeman, James Graves, Margaret Harned, Robert Jepson, Vaughnery Oliver, Carrie Sawyer, Ebru Sorensen, Lisa Stalsworth, Roscoe Woods; York County School Division (YCSD) Staff: Aaron Butler, Ed.D., Tanya Deckard, Kelly Denny, Jennifer Goodwin, Christina Head, Carl James, Ed.D., Mark Kirk, Lisa Ruffieux

Absent: John Anderson, Willene Brown, Duane Crosby, Beatriz Huptich, Allison Lucas, Erin Matthews, Carrie Prinz, Cynthia Scaturico, Tiffany Washburn

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the October 26, 2017 meeting were distributed via email prior to the meeting date and were available at the meeting. A motion was made to approve minutes as presented and the motion carried.

Discussion of Revised Time Line:

The revised timeline was presented and reviewed.

Review of Previous Zone Change Recommendations:

The requested data showing the number of projected FY19 students who will be affected by the changes under consideration by committee were reviewed.

Data Review/Continuation of Recommendations:

Committee members recommended the following school zone changes:

SCHOOL	ATTENDANCE ZONE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS
CES	Move the neighborhoods of Byrd Lane, Cain Terrace, York Manor and Commonwealth Green from GBES to CES
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SES	Modify the proposed boundary change between the SES and YES zones to include only the neighborhoods of Yorktown Arch, The Quarters of Yorktown and Wood Towne Quarters
YES	Modify the proposed boundary change between the SES and YES zones to include only the neighborhoods of Yorktown Arch, The Quarters of Yorktown and Wood Towne Quarters

Additional Recommendations:

SCHOOL	ATTENDANCE ZONE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS
MES	Find a new parking area for buses in the Bruton zone
WMES	Immediate construction of additional classrooms at WMES
RISING 5 TH GRADERS	Allow rising 5th graders and their siblings to attend their current school for the 2018-19 SY, but parents must provide transportation
NEW SCHOOL	Construct new school as soon as possible

Recommendations for Future Rezoning Committees:

SCHOOL	ATTENDANCE ZONE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS
MES	Delay a change for this zone until more information is known regarding new residential development and its impact on school capacity at WMES, MES and YES
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NEW SCHOOL	Confirm attendance zone for the new school at time of groundbreaking
NEW SCHOOL	Consider construction of a K-8 school
MIDDLE SCHOOLS	Conduct a review of middle school capacities
LOWER COUNTY PK-5 SCHOOLS	Consider rezoning as a way of eliminating the checkerboard pattern of elementary attendance zones along Hampton Highway by the next attendance zone committee

Closing Remarks:

Dr. James commended the committee members for their participation on the committee and their diligence to the matters related to balancing the attendance zones. The committee will receive a copy of the report and it will be posted on the division web site.

Respectfully Submitted,

Georgia R. McQuigg