



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: January 10, 2017

AGENDA ITEM: Consider approval of the 2017-18 elementary attendance zones.

PRESENTER: Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent of Schools

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): All

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: With the passage of the May 2015 Bond Election, it became necessary for the District to expand the number of attendance zones from the four existing zones to five. This is done solely to reduce pressure on the Stuard, Coder, Vandagriff and McCall campuses which have become stressed due to overcrowding in an environment of continued District growth.

The following schedule indicates the public meetings associated with this process:

Oct 4 – Administration met with Templeton Demographics to develop Plan 1

Oct 24 – Board Workshop- Presentation of Plan 1

Nov 7 – Town Hall Meeting *

Nov 9 – Town Hall Meeting *

Nov 14 – Further Discussion by Board of Feedback/Direction*

Dec 5 – Board Workshop/Work Session

Dec 13 – Board Workshop/Work Session*

Dec 15 – Board Vote on Administrative Recommendation *

Jan 10 – Special Called Board Meeting with Board Vote on Administrative Recommendation

Note: The asterisk (*) represents opportunity for direct community feedback to Trustees regarding the development of elementary zones. To date, Trustees have heard, at minimum, eight hours of public feedback at called Board meetings and countless hours of personal contacts, emails and phone calls.

At the meeting of December 15, 2016, Administration submitted a recommendation, known as Plan 10, to Trustees for consideration. A motion was made to adopt this plan, but failed for lack of a second. Trustees subsequently voted to table consideration of this work to a future meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION(S): Administration has listened to feedback and guidance from Trustees during the most recent meeting and have visited with each Trustee afterward to assess the direction Trustees wish to follow.

Discussion at the December 15th meeting and since seemed to revolve around a general sense of approval of Plan 7. Administration brings that plan to Trustees tonight for consideration. A copy of that plan is also included with this item for the Board and community's review.

A copy of Plan 7 is included with this synopsis along with the numerical data associated with this possibility.

With the belief and knowledge that all AISD elementary campuses serve children well, it is the Administration's belief that this decision should be based on at least two specific criteria as a foundation:

1. The shift from four attendance zones to five should be done in such a way as to provide capacity at all five elementary campuses (this was a commitment made by all to the community on a number of occasions prior to the 2015 bond election), and
2. The creation of these zones be done in a manner than lessens, as much as possible, the need to re-draw attendance zones again or purchase portable classrooms until Elementary #6 is complete and ready for occupancy (August of 2019 with community approval of the specific upcoming bond proposition).

FISCAL NOTE: There are financial considerations related to the expansion of the District from four elementary zones to five. These changes will come in the form of additional core administrative staff to operate Elementary #5, additional bus routes, additional cafeteria staff, additional utility expenses, etc.

The complete scope of this financial impact to the 2017-18 budget will not become clear until such time that the final decision has been made in regard to the configuration of the five elementary zones.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMENDATION: Administration recommends approval of Elementary Attendance Zone Plan #7.