

MEETING DATE: February 19, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Attendance Zone Committee (AZC) Presentation of Committee

Proposed Elementary and Middle School Maps

PRESENTERS: Aaron Valencia & Lauren Edwards, 2024 AZC Co-Chairs; Members of

the AZC

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In May 2023, Aledo ISD voters approved the 2023 Bond Program, which included the construction of one new elementary school (Elementary School #7 - now named Lynn McKinney Elementary) planned to open in August 2024.

The addition of Lynn McKinney Elementary necessitates that the District's current elementary school attendance zones be redrawn and that middle school attendance zones be reviewed and possibly adjusted as determined based on committee review.

The Administration and Board discussed the initiation of an Attendance Zone Committee (AZC) during the October 23, 2023, regular Board meeting. At the November 13, 2023 Regular Board meeting, the Board adopted the following purpose and charge for the 2024 AZC..

2024 Attendance Zone Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Attendance Zone Committee is to represent the Aledo ISD community in the study of data related to projected student enrollment growth, campus student capacity, safety, transportation, current and planned transportation infrastructure, and geographic location of planned development in the district, in recommending to the Board of Trustees new attendance zones for elementary and middle schools.

2024 Attendance Zone Committee Charge

The Attendance Zone Committee is charged by the Board of Trustees to:

- represent the priorities, expectations, and values of the entire community,
- consider the needs of all of the district's students.
- listen to and consider questions and feedback from all community members and the Board of Trustees.

- use facts and data to make informed decisions,
- recommend attendance zones that are projected to most efficiently use building capacity for the longest time period possible (given projected student growth), and
- recommend to the Board of Trustees an elementary attendance zone map (effective 2024-2025) and a middle school attendance zone map (effective 2024-2025) for approval by the Board and implementation by the Administration.

At the December 18, 2023 Regular Board meeting, the Board appointed the members of the AZC. The members of the AZC were chosen through trustee appointment, campus nomination, and citizen application. The committee was created with emphasis on the diversity of committee members demographically and geographically in an effort to represent the community at-large as well as possible. Members of the 2024 AZC are listed below.

| Aaron Valencia, Co-Chair | Chris House | Jeffrey Johnson | Kristen Gallegos | Nicoletta Bean |
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| Lauren Edwards, Co-Chair | Cody Hughes | Jeremy Stone | Lana Hoover | Paul Bruns |
| Amanda Pastusek | Cody Richardson | Jodi Outland | Lauren Geiss | Scott Turner |
| Elyse Hons | Colin Burns | John Turnage | Lauren Taylor | Sean Gasser |
| Ana Sherman | Elizabeth Palmer | Jonathan King | Lisa Robertson | Stephen Whiteland |
| Andrew McCulloch | Emily Roberts | Joshua Wyche | Lynn Morgan | Tammy Welsh |
| April Jones | Heath Haseloff | Justin Lauderdale | Marcy Castillo | Zach Kuhlman |
| Brad Ramos | Heather Macias | Kat Boyer | Mike Graham | |
| Brandi Lode | Jack Huxel | Kaylene Bridwell | Monique Vega | |
| Brent Gahagen | Jaqueline Robertson | Kimberly Maples | Natalie Stephens | |

The Administration anticipates that the work of the committee, resulting in a recommendation to the Board of Trustees, will be completed in March of 2024. At this meeting, the AZC co-chairs present to the Board and the Aledo ISD community the AZC's preliminary proposed elementary school and middle school attendance zones for August of 2024. The co-chairs will discuss with the Board any questions and feedback based on the Board's review of the preliminary proposed maps.

After review by the Board of Trustees, the entire Aledo ISD community will have the opportunity to submit their feedback to the AZC regarding the preliminary proposed maps from February 20th to February 28th of 2024. After all feedback is received, the AZC will reconvene to review the Board and community input and determine final

elementary and middle school attendance zone maps to recommend for approval by the Board of Trustees.

The Administration anticipates that the AZC will recommend final maps for approval by the Board in March of 2024.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

2024 Attendance Zone Committee Presentation

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None, communication item only