



## **ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE**

**MEETING DATE:** December 15, 2016

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider the five 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 incumbent on 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 \*

Note: The asterisk (\*) represents opportunity for direct community feedback to Trustees regarding the development of elementary zones.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION(S):**

**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 expense, 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:** At the time of this writing there remains a scheduled Board Work session/Workshop on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at which Trustees will continue to study various options related to this important work.

Administration will not be able provide a recommendation related to this synopsis due to the workshop's scheduling at a time after the statutory deadline for the Open Meetings Act for this document has passed. It is important to continue to gather feedback from Trustees and the community prior to the formal recommendation.

However, as has been stated on a number of occasions, 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 to the community on a number of occasions during presentations prior to the 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 bond proposition).