

### MEETING DATE: March 18, 2024

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider Approval of Attendance Zone Committee (AZC) 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
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	

At the February 19, 2024 regular Board meeting, the AZC co-chairs presented to the Board the AZC's preliminary proposed elementary school attendance zones, as well as the Committee's preliminary proposed middle school attendance zones.

The Board of Trustees and the entire Aledo ISD community had the opportunity to submit their feedback to the AZC regarding the preliminary proposed maps from February 19- February 28 of 2024. After all feedback was received, the AZC reconvened on March 5, 2024, to review the Board and community input and determine final elementary and middle school attendance zone maps to recommend to the Board of Trustees for possible approval.

At this Board meeting, the AZC will recommend final attendance zones maps for approval by the Board of Trustees. If the Board approves the maps, the district will communicate the maps to the community immediately.

# FISCAL INFORMATION:

None

### ATTACHMENTS:

2024 Attendance Zone Committee Presentation

# ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the recommended final elementary and middle school attendance zone maps as presented by the citizens Attendance Zone Committee.