



Boundary Adjustment Committee (BAC) Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, adjourned at 7:30 pm with the district team remaining and answering individual questions until 8:30pm

FACILITATORS:

Mark Anderson
Craig Numata

Phil Crocker
Ryan Rowe

Harium Martin-Morris

ATTENDING BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS:

Greg Forsyth
Nikki Lockwood
Theresa Meyer
Joe Phipps
Heather Bybee

Sandra Jarrard
Steph Lundberg
Beth Nye
Clint Price
Jerrall Haynes

Shawn Jordan
Matt McFarland
Andre Wicks
Andee Atwood

ATTENDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chris Barton
Rob Dennie
Katrina Hawker
Molly Merkle
Kathleen Murray
Keith Reilly
Julie Shepard
Gary Teale
Lindsay Shaw

Brent Christensen
Aaron Dingfield
Scott Harmon
Brian Vandenburg
Amber O'Connor
Peter Richter
Heather Stratton
Alex Evans

Kristin Day
Corina Fletcher
Kristin Markham
Jamie Traeger
Megan Read
Lindsey Shaw
Rod Tamura
Ginny Kleman

Dr. Mark Anderson opened the meeting with a reminder of the committee's task to develop boundary adjustments to present to the Spokane School Board of Directors for approval by next spring. Dr. Anderson went over the Boundary Planning Guidelines utilized by the BAC to draft proposed boundary adjustments. The guidelines include communication and process, diversity, neighborhoods, school quality, and transportation. Equity is blended into diversity and school quality. The Legacy Policy procedure will have its first and second reading by the SPS Board of Directors by March 24.

The goal for the BAC is to complete the first draft of the school boundary adjustments by the 3rd week of March. The drafts will be used during community forums to gather input from community members. The community forums will consist of a presentation followed by a ThoughtExchange. All community members will be able to select into one of three ThoughtExchange breakout rooms. The breakout rooms will provide boundary adjustment recommendations for the NW, NE, and South regions. Once the region-specific breakout discussion is completed, all community members will come together for an all community ThoughtExchange. The data from the ThoughtExchange sessions will be used as guidance for any needed edits to the draft boundary adjustments. The SPS Board of Directors will have its first work session on boundary adjustment recommendations towards the end of May, with 1st,

2nd readings in June. The final SPS board adoption of boundary adjustments will occur at the end of June.

The purpose of the BAC meeting for February 23rd was to find group consensus on scenario 105 for elementary school boundary adjustments. Scenario 105 was developed from feedback from the two-subgroups that included boundary adjustment concerns from the NE and SE regions, as well as a full review by the committee of the SW region. Scenario 105 provided the lowest amount of impact on families. The BAC made the decision to support scenario 105. The BAC will revisit their prior draft boundary adjustments for SPS middle and high schools at its March 4th meeting.

The next committee meeting will take place on March 4th at 6:30 p.m.