

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
FACILITY MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE**

The Facility Master Plan Committee of the Fort Worth Independent School District held a meeting on December 6, 2019 in the Board Conference Room.

The Following Were Present:

Tobi Jackson	Jerry Moore	Todd Vesely
Anael Luebanos	Raul Pena	Yvonne Garcia
Ann Darr	Vicki Burris	Dianne Hawkins
Quinton Phillips	McDeny Mojica	Missy Heady
Kent Scribner	Barbara Griffith	Tiffany Rogers
Art Cavazos	Carl Alfred	Molly Hry
Cherie Washington	Mike Naughton	Rachel Arellano
Elsie Schiro	John Cope	Rebecca Montgomery
Karen Molinar		

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Tobi Jackson called the meeting to order at 9:43 a.m.

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Summary of Boundary Presentations

- District has 13 feeder patterns.
- Boundaries have not been realigned District-wide in 20 years; only sporadic changes over the years.
- Boundary changes are not popular but necessary because of some overcrowded schools with underutilized schools nearby.
- New boundaries and pyramids will create sense of community, as students can remain within their pyramids throughout their K-12 years.
- FWISD has numerous 6th grade centers, which creates a one grade snapshot. No other Tarrant ISDs have 6th grade centers, with exception of Everman, which has one.
- Sixth grade will stay as middle school program; moving sixth grade down to elementary was not well received as voiced in forums.
- Many areas of the District have schools that have seen enrollment decline. This provides repurposing opportunities to be aligned with boundary planning and strategic real estate planning.
- Moving out of small underutilized buildings will create vacant ones which might be used to create an additional TABS, Montessori, etc., eliminating waiting lists and offering quality in every neighborhood.
- The community voiced support for the possibility of having additional K-8 options.
- Most of the District geographic feeder patterns have areas that aren't aligned as students move up from elementary to middle to high school. For example:
 - Students residing in the Worth Heights Elementary area are zoned to 3 different high schools - South Hills HS, O.D. Wyatt HS, and Paschal HS.

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Review of Let's Talk Feedback

- Web-based customer service platform that is Smartphone friendly.
- Launched November 13, 2019.
- These five feedback categories contained the following quantity of responses:
 - Comment - 29
 - Suggestion - 9
 - Compliment - 9
 - Concern - 26
 - Question - 62
- There were 849 dialogues with FWISD's response time being 1.4 days.
- Individuals in the community could choose to be anonymous when leaving comments or concerns.
- Valuable input was gained and it proved to be a useful platform.

First Draft – District Enrollment Forecasts

- Currently have 82,886 students.
- Projected to have between 81,000 and 81,500 students next year.
 - Does not include new charters that will likely open.
 - Does not include additional Pre-Ks that will be added.
- Overall enrollment decline centered in elementary
 - Currently have fewer than 6,000 Kindergarten students.
 - Pre-K enrollment numbers have grown from 5288 to 5432 over the last three years with additional Pre-K units and a targeted marketing campaign coordinated with campus Round-Ups.
- As a plus, there is substantial growth in Benbrook, with numerous housing developments catering to young families.
- High school retention has increased – fewer dropouts.
- Current enrollment today district-wide is the same as in 2011.
- Urban school districts have already seen decline.
 - FWISD can respond by using data from other urban districts as well as our own.
- Fort Worth ISD can turn this around by closing and/or repurposing schools to overcome these trends and meet demands of our student population.
- Timeline for next and final drafts of enrollment projections:
 - First draft by school by grade – late January
 - Second draft by school by grade – spring break
 - Third draft by school by grade – May
 - Final draft - June



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