

MINUTES – **AS IS 11/8/11**  
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
ATTENDANCE ZONE ADVISORY COMMISSION  
EDWARD A. GREER EDUCATION CENTER, BOARD ROOM  
2832 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121

October 18, 2011

9:32 am

Roll Call: Members Present

Albert Delgado  
Leigh Dunn  
JoAnne Foutz  
Zan Hyer  
Socorro Macias (arrived at 9:34 am)  
Lois Mack  
Cyndy Mahoney  
Mike Malone  
Becky Nielson  
Anna Slighting  
Joanie Till

Rick Baldwin, Director II

FLAG SALUTE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made to adopt the agenda as is.

Motion: Mike Malone                      Second: Zan Hyer                      Vote: Unanimous

Socorro Macias was not present to vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 27, 2011, as submitted.

Motion: Albert Delgado                      Second: Mike Malone                      Vote: Unanimous

Socorro Macias was not present to vote.

REPORTS

Becky Nielson welcomed new commission members. New members Lois Mack and Cyndy Mahoney introduced themselves.

Becky Nielson recognized Trustee Erin Cranor.

Rick Baldwin explained the contents of the packets given to AZAC.

Mr. Baldwin informed AZAC the Board of School Trustees approved a waiver of policy 7124 for one more year; therefore, no schools will be converting to a year round calendar in the 2012-2013 school year.

#### PRESENTATION OF DATA FOR 2011-2012 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Rick Baldwin reviewed the hot spot maps for elementary schools that are over/under their capacity. Mr. Baldwin explained there are elementary schools that are severely over their capacity; however, with the portables in place, they all have ample teaching stations for the students on their campus. Mr. Baldwin said the Instruction Unit did a survey and of the 70 schools that are 14 percent or more over capacity, the majority of principal's concerns were issues with lunchroom space, restrooms, and pick up and drop off times. Mr. Baldwin explained some of those types of issues could not be resolved through rezoning and that the Instruction Unit was looking at other ways to assist them.

#### PRESENTATION OF DATA FOR 2011-2012 MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Rick Baldwin reviewed the hot spot maps for middle and junior high schools that are over/under their capacity. Mr. Baldwin said Mannion Middle School is 12.77 percent over capacity, Webb Middle School is 11.59 percent over capacity, Canarelli Middle School is 8.44 percent over capacity, and Miller Middle School is 6.97 percent over capacity. Mr. Baldwin said they were asked to evaluate these schools to balance the enrollments.

#### PRESENTATION OF DATA FOR 2011-2012 HIGH SCHOOLS

Rick Baldwin reviewed the hot spot maps for high schools that are over/under their capacity. Mr. Baldwin stated although there are high schools that are at the 15 percent threshold, staff is not making any recommendations to rezone at this time.

Rick Baldwin reported open enrollment was very successful in some schools. Mr. Baldwin hopes the open enrollment option will continue to be offered.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

Becky Nielson called for public input

Andrew Kertesz, parent, Webb Middle School and Wallin Elementary School, said there is concern and opposition to proposed changes in his area. He chose his home based on the schools his children would attend, the commission would be taking away the impact of that choice. Mr. Kertesz said there is also concern about schools returning to a year-round calendar.

Bridget Guida, parent, Webb Middle School and Wallin Elementary School, said with the economy the way it is and stress on people, she wonders why they would consider rezoning Webb Middle School if it is only 0.72 percent over capacity with portables; she asked that they not rezone the school as it causes too much stress for families.

Diana Bogdanowicz, parent, Webb Middle School and Wallin Elementary School, asked if they are not going to consider rezoning high schools that are way over capacity, why are they then looking at rezoning the middle schools.

Paul Mrazik, parent, Givens Elementary School, said Givens Elementary School is on an 'island' with 215 to the east, Red Rock to the south and desert to the west and north. Mr. Mrazik realizes they have been a little over capacity but they have been able to deal with the situation and there has not been any significant growth. He noted there is a lot of parental involvement and staff to make sure things function smoothly.

Greg Gordon, parent, Wallin Elementary School, said one of the many benefits of living in the Madeira Canyon area is the proximity to the schools their children attend. Taking their kids out of a land locked area south of Anthem across St. Rose Parkway to the Silverado Ranch area is taking them out of their neighborhood community.

Paula Naegle, Principal, Webb Middle School, said each year the school's enrollment grows by 100 students and they are very crowded. She stated there are 1800 students during passing time and before and after school in the quad area to supervise. Ms. Naegle said they do the best they can to provide every child with the highest quality education. She loves the students and families and does not want to lose any of them; however, she feels it needs to be an equitable situation. She explained there is not a lot of land for the campus to grow and four of the portables are located in the teachers' parking lot. Ms. Naegle thanked the parents in attendance and understands they do not want their children to go to another school, but noted there are many phenomenal middle schools. She acknowledged change is difficult, but stressed they do need to look to the future.

Sheri Hookano, parent, Webb Middle School and Wallin Elementary School, resident in Madeira Canyon said while it is true there are many children at Webb Middle School, they should not be asking them to move to a school that is even further away. She explained it takes her 10 minutes to get to the school but it would take 30-35 minutes to get to Silvestri Junior High School. In looking at feeder school alignment, there is an area near Liberty High School that currently attends Webb Middle School but is much closer to Silvestri Junior High School. She also said the Seven Hills community is closer to Silvestri Junior High School than the Madeira Canyon community. Ms. Hookano understands the enrollment at Webb Middle School needs to be lower, but feels there are other closer areas to consider.

Rick Baldwin explained at this time, AZAC does not have scenarios which suggest any communities being moved; they are identifying schools they know need to be looked at. Mr. Baldwin said every school has unique demographics and every area of town is looked at individually.

JoAnne Foutz thanked Principal Naegle and the parents for their input. Mrs. Foutz said they will be looking at every area and come up with some preliminary scenarios.

Leigh Dunn also thanked the parents for their input and asked Rick Baldwin to explain how future enrollment is determined.

Rick Baldwin explained in determining future enrollment for middle school, in addition to growth trends, staff looks at enrollment within the entire geographic population currently attending fourth and fifth grades. Mr. Baldwin also said if the commission deems a zone change is necessary and the situation is warranted, they can recommend the change occur gradually through phasing. Mr. Baldwin did explain that while the transition is easier for students, it can be costly for the school district and may not be feasible.

#### MEETING CALENDAR, DATES, AND TIMES

The next AZAC meeting will be held on November 8, 2011.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion: Zan Hyer

Second: Leigh Dunn

Vote: Unanimous

Adjourn: 11:01 am