

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
Special Board Meeting
(MINUTES)
April 21, 2015

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The Fayette County Board of Education met at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, KY at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, 2015 with the following members present:

(1) John Price (2) Melissa Bacon; (3) Doug Barnett; (4) Daryl Love and (5) Amanda Ferguson

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Pursuant to KRS Chapter 61, notice is hereby given that on April 17, 2015 the Chair of the Fayette County Board of Education called a special work session of the Board of Education for Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, KY, Conference Room C. The purpose of the meeting is to review the rezoning recommendations from the redistricting committee.

John Price, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Amanda Ferguson joined the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Joice, Lisa Deffendall, Suzanne Dorsey, Randy Pepper, Alan Stein, Erin Manna, Scott Torlucci

Alan Stein, Chair of the redistricting committee, shared the work and commended the work of the committee.

Mary Wright gave a description of the handouts, maps and binders that were given to the board of education.

Scott Torlucci, from Davis Demographics, joined the meeting through teleconference and gave a presentation regarding the overview of the redistricting process. A hard copy of the presentation will be included in the official minutes.

John Price thanked all members of the committee for their hard work.

Daryl Love thanked all members of the committee. Daryl asked why some students were pulled from Millcreek to attend Veterans Park.

Erin Manna (committee member) stated that these students aren't in walking distance from Millcreek so the students had to be bused somewhere but the committee thought it was a way to try to balance free and reduced lunch numbers. This would affect 54 students. These students are currently attending Southern Elementary.

Bob Joice stated this was a plan that was approved by the board in 2002 but was never implemented.

Daryl Love asked regarding the Huntington Hills area and the Squires area.

Committee: Edythe J. Hayes was overcrowded and the students could be easily moved to TCMS. These students would also continue on to TCHS rather than HCHS due to overcrowding.

Melissa Bacon asked if the new middle school was taken into account.

Alan Stein stated that since we don't have a signed contract for the new middle school, the projections didn't take the new middle school into account.

Amanda Ferguson: LTMS, Morton, Ashland, Bell court/Kinwick/Fairway area. Residents don't want children to be split in between two middle schools.

Committee: Capacity was a concern; looked at free/reduced lunch and capacity. All of Ashland attendees will go to LTMS.

LTMS feeds three high schools. New High School, HCHS and LHS

All magnet programs feed into all high schools

Melissa Bacon: Clements Heights, Dogwood Hills, Plantation, Copperfield concerns regarding feeder pattern why they're going to JCMS instead of Beaumont. Beaumont principal would like to see the students continue to go there.

Alan Stein stated that they took the principals ideas into consideration but it wasn't a guiding principal.

Committee: This feeder pattern was a sacrifice that they were willing to make to try to balance capacity at Beaumont and Jessie Clark

Alan Stein stated that ACE/Hayes/Rosa Parks, wouldn't put any more kids in these schools unless you took someone else out.

Doug Barnett stated that it was a privilege to work with the committee.

Melissa Bacon asked if we could get a transportation study stating how the committee's recommendation would cost the district or if we're saving any money.

Alan Stein stated that they don't have that data, but he believes that their plan reduces the amount that the district will have to pay in transportation costs.

Daryl Love commended the committee for their extra recommendations.

Melissa Bacon stated that with the recommendations it makes the board feel like that we're all on the same page.

Alan Stein recognized the community for their dedication to the committee and the process.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Daryl Love and seconded by Amanda Ferguson to adjourn at 4:47 pm. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

CHAIR
John Price

SECRETARY & ACTING SUPERINTENDENT
Marlene Helm