Des Moines Public Schools

Superintendent's Facility Advisory Committee

Meeting date:

June 20, 2013 at 6:00 PM

Edmunds Multi-Media Center – 950 15th St.

Members Present:	Meredith Mauro Jeff Hall Brian Millard Marvin Alexander Joel Doyle Ed Linebach Susie Rider Mary Lynne Jones	Members Absent:	Kris Cooper Cynthia Hunafa
DMPS Staff Present:	Tom Ahart Susan Tallman Bill Good Connie Baker	Others Attending:	Trevor Huffaker Mary Stegmeir, DM Register

A tour of the new Edmunds School preceded the meeting.

Following the tour, Susie Tallman presented a map of the NE Section boundaries of elementary schools with the goal of creating feeder patterns and boundaries to the appropriate Middle Schools. ELL is not a portion of the numbers on the map. Also noted by shifting early childhood classes to the new Casady Center this would allow for more growth at Carver & Capital View. The goal is to establish a better feeder pattern – it is not going to be perfect, but will be better.

Moving away from school of choice to utilizing boundaries as there are several reasons why parents would choose to have their children attend other schools outside their own neighborhood such as: growing ELL population; housing; apartments, babysitter availability, etc. Schools of choice require parents provide transportation. All schools have open enrollment subject to available space. When looking at percentages it should work in balancing the schools.

Mary Lynne Jones noted that on the Garton South section – students could walk to school which makes more sense for the kids; also helping those within their boundaries.

Handouts are being emailed with the minutes.

Requested information for next time:

Should the boundary at Phillips be fixed - what might Phillips boundary look like, and what is the impact on surrounding boundaries – Susie T.

Next logical place to go is west – Harding Boundary area and figure how to support Moulton.

Bring a whole map as a reference point to every meeting.

Look at schools of choice boundary areas.

Formalize schedule

Upcoming meeting date and location scheduled:

5:30 p.m. - August 8, 2013 at 1917 Dean Avenue Conference Room

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Baker