

Agenda Item #:

ITEM TYPE: Report

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

TITLE: Freedom Area Redistricting Committee Update

DATE: February 12, 2020

OVERVIEW:

The 2019-2028 Educational Facilities Master Plan, presented to the Board in May, 2019, included the following:

“Freedom Elementary is currently Inadequate by Board of Education Policy, and projected be Inadequate based on the County’s Concurrency Management and Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance.

Recommendation – Form a Redistricting Committee to explore redistricting options in the Southeast Area to alleviate overcrowding at Freedom Elementary.”

With the Board’s approval in June, 2019 of the 2019-2028 Educational Facilities Master Plan, the Superintendent appointed a committee to explore redistricting options to alleviate overcrowding at Freedom Elementary.

The committee was formed in September 2019 and began meeting in October. Superintendent Lockard asked that an update be provided on the committee’s work to date and future directions aligned with Board policy and regulations. The attached presentation provides the update for Board information.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Pillar II: Strengthen Productive Family and Community Partnerships
Pillar IV: Establish Safe, Secure, Healthy, and Modern Learning Environments

FISCAL IMPACT: NA

RECOMMENDATION / FUTURE DIRECTION:

The committee will present recommendations to the BOE by August, 2020.

Submitted by:

Raymond Prokop, Director of Facilities Management

Approve / Concur:

Jonathan D. O'Neal, Chief Operating Officer

Steven A. Lockard, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL	2020 Projection			2024 Projection			2029 Projection		
	January Projections	Revised Projections	Difference	January Projections	Revised Projections	Difference	January Projections	Revised Projections	Difference
Carrolltowne	594	588	1.01%	677	642	5.17%	682	636	6.74%
Cranberry Station	525	520	0.95%	536	510	4.85%	539	508	5.75%
Ebb Valley	565	559	1.06%	614	582	5.21%	609	567	6.90%
Eldersburg	454	449	1.10%	474	448	5.49%	476	444	6.72%
Elmer Wolfe	432	427	1.16%	464	439	5.39%	457	427	6.56%
Freedom	592	586	1.01%	667	632	5.25%	667	622	6.75%
Friendship Valley	488	483	1.02%	518	490	5.41%	527	495	6.07%
Hampstead	393	388	1.27%	424	403	4.95%	436	411	5.73%
Linton Springs	662	656	0.91%	713	677	5.05%	701	654	6.70%
Manchester	644	637	1.09%	682	647	5.13%	681	641	5.87%
Mechanicsville	494	489	1.01%	534	505	5.43%	542	510	5.90%
Mt. Airy*	470	470	0.00%	485	465	4.12%	492	457	7.11%
Parr's Ridge	452	443	1.99%	478	447	6.49%	483	449	7.04%
Piney Ridge	521	515	1.15%	533	504	5.44%	531	495	6.78%
Robert Moton	435	431	0.92%	459	434	5.45%	465	438	5.81%
Runnymede	635	629	0.94%	710	674	5.07%	713	670	6.03%
Sandymount	503	498	0.99%	546	517	5.31%	532	499	6.20%
Spring Garden	417	413	0.96%	400	379	5.25%	409	385	5.87%
Taneytown	392	388	1.02%	397	375	5.54%	404	375	7.18%
Westminster	557	552	0.90%	590	560	5.08%	593	555	6.41%
William Winchester	517	512	0.97%	532	504	5.26%	540	503	6.85%
Winfield	619	613	0.97%	691	656	5.07%	683	637	6.73%
TOTALS	11361	11246	1.01%	12124	11490	5.23%	12162	11378	6.45%

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Mt. Airy	690	690	0.00%	750	750	0.00%	828	775	6.40%
North Carroll	643	643	0.00%	663	663	0.00%	708	664	6.21%
Northwest	663	663	0.00%	672	672	0.00%	741	692	6.61%
Oklahoma Road	734	734	0.00%	866	866	0.00%	961	899	6.45%
Shiloh	629	629	0.00%	665	665	0.00%	707	661	6.51%
Sykesville	765	765	0.00%	722	722	0.00%	817	765	6.36%

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Century	1118	1118	0.00%	1119	1119	0.00%	1124	1105	1.69%
Francis Scott Key	882	882	0.00%	878	878	0.00%	937	921	1.71%
Liberty	1000	1000	0.00%	969	969	0.00%	1221	1200	1.72%
Manchester Valley	1336	1336	0.00%	1338	1338	0.00%	1446	1419	1.87%
South Carroll	1005	1005	0.00%	931	931	0.00%	1044	1027	1.63%
Westminster	1512	1512	0.00%	1404	1404	0.00%	1512	1487	1.65%
Winters Mill	1104	1104	0.00%	1157	1157	0.00%	1186	1166	1.69%
TOTALS	7957	7957	0.00%	7796	7796	0.00%	8470	8325	1.71%

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Carrolltowne	101.0%	100.0%	1.00%	115.1%	109.2%	5.90%	116.0%	108.2%	6.72%
Cranberry Station	92.1%	91.2%	0.90%	94.0%	89.5%	4.50%	94.6%	89.1%	5.81%
Ebb Valley	99.5%	98.4%	1.10%	108.1%	102.5%	5.60%	107.2%	99.8%	6.90%
Eldersburg	79.9%	79.0%	0.90%	83.5%	78.9%	4.60%	83.8%	78.2%	6.68%
Elmer Wolfe	79.1%	78.2%	0.90%	85.0%	80.4%	4.60%	83.7%	78.2%	6.57%
Freedom	117.9%	116.7%	1.20%	132.9%	125.9%	7.00%	132.9%	123.9%	6.77%
Friendship Valley	92.6%	91.7%	0.90%	98.3%	93.0%	5.30%	100.0%	93.9%	6.10%
Hampstead	76.5%	75.5%	1.00%	82.5%	78.4%	4.10%	84.8%	80.0%	5.66%
Linton Springs	93.9%	93.0%	0.90%	101.1%	96.0%	5.10%	99.4%	92.8%	6.64%
Manchester	94.4%	93.4%	1.00%	100.0%	94.9%	5.10%	99.9%	94.0%	5.91%
Mechanicsville	83.6%	82.7%	0.90%	90.4%	85.4%	5.00%	91.7%	86.3%	5.89%
Mt. Airy*	85.1%	85.1%	0.00%	87.9%	84.2%	3.70%	89.1%	82.8%	7.07%
Parr's Ridge	74.1%	72.6%	1.50%	78.4%	73.3%	5.10%	79.2%	73.6%	7.07%
Piney Ridge	95.1%	94.0%	1.10%	97.3%	92.0%	5.30%	96.9%	90.3%	6.81%
Robert Moton	81.2%	80.4%	0.80%	85.6%	81.0%	4.60%	86.8%	81.7%	5.88%
Runnymede	96.7%	95.7%	1.00%	108.1%	102.6%	5.50%	108.5%	102.0%	5.99%
Sandymount	96.0%	95.0%	1.00%	104.2%	98.7%	5.50%	101.5%	95.2%	6.21%
Spring Garden	76.5%	75.8%	0.70%	73.4%	69.5%	3.90%	75.0%	70.6%	5.87%
Taneytown	74.8%	74.0%	0.80%	75.8%	71.6%	4.20%	77.1%	71.6%	7.13%
Westminster	98.1%	97.2%	0.90%	103.9%	98.6%	5.30%	104.4%	97.7%	6.42%
William Winchester	94.9%	93.9%	1.00%	97.6%	92.5%	5.10%	99.1%	92.3%	6.86%
Winfield	91.8%	90.9%	0.90%	102.5%	97.3%	5.20%	101.3%	94.5%	6.71%
TOTALS	89.9%	88.9%	1.00%	95.9%	90.9%	5.00%	96.2%	90.0%	6.44%

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North Carroll	83.5%	83.5%	0.00%	86.1%	86.1%	0.00%	91.9%	86.2%	6.20%
Northwest	86.1%	86.1%	0.00%	87.3%	87.3%	0.00%	96.2%	89.9%	6.55%
Oklahoma Road	92.3%	92.3%	0.00%	108.9%	108.9%	0.00%	120.9%	113.1%	6.45%
Shiloh	86.8%	86.8%	0.00%	91.7%	91.7%	0.00%	97.5%	91.2%	6.46%
Sykesville	106.3%	106.3%	0.00%	100.3%	100.3%	0.00%	113.5%	106.3%	6.34%
Westminster East	92.3%	92.3%	0.00%	93.2%	93.2%	0.00%	101.5%	94.9%	6.50%
Westminster West	87.4%	87.4%	0.00%	91.3%	91.3%	0.00%	98.6%	92.0%	6.69%
TOTALS	90.3%	90.3%	0.00%	94.4%	94.4%	0.00%	103.3%	96.6%	6.49%

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Francis Scott Key	70.3%	70.3%	0.00%	70.0%	70.0%	0.00%	74.7%	73.4%	1.74%
Liberty	87.9%	87.9%	0.00%	85.1%	85.1%	0.00%	107.3%	105.4%	1.77%
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South Carroll	75.1%	75.1%	0.00%	69.5%	69.5%	0.00%	78.0%	76.7%	1.67%
Westminster	82.3%	82.3%	0.00%	76.4%	76.4%	0.00%	82.3%	80.9%	1.70%
Winters Mill	82.4%	82.4%	0.00%	86.4%	86.4%	0.00%	88.6%	87.1%	1.69%
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Board of Education
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Background

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Background

- With the Board's approval in June 2019 of the 2019-2028 Educational Facilities Master Plan, the Superintendent appointed a committee to explore redistricting options to alleviate overcrowding at Freedom Elementary.
- It was determined that the committee should be diverse, representing as many stakeholders as possible.
- The committee includes staff, parent representatives from Freedom and nearby elementary schools, representatives from Carroll County Government in addition to relevant CCPS staff.



Committee Composition

CCPS Staff

Ray Prokop, Director of Facilities Management, Co-Chair
Mike Hardesty, Director of Transportation Services, Co-Chair
Steve Wernick, Director of Elementary Schools
Jessica Smith, Principal - Freedom Elementary
Keith Shorter, Supervisor, Transportation Services
Anita Stubenrauch, Supervisor, Transportation Services
Bill Caine, CCPS Facilities Planner
Cindy McCabe, Chief of Schools - Ex Officio
Jon O'Neal, CCPS Chief Operating Officer - Ex Officio

County Government Staff

Clay Black, Bureau Chief, Development Review
Lynda Eisenberg, Director of Planning

Parent Representatives

Brandi Blevins – Freedom Elementary
Sheri Hudspeth – Linton Springs Elementary
Jennifer Doe – Eldersburg Elementary
Lynn Kujan – Mechanicsville Elementary
Megan Daniels – Carrolltowne Elementary
Josh Trpisovsky – Piney Ridge Elementary



Committee Timeline

- October 2019 – Committee meetings commence.
- July 2020 – Committee finalizes recommendations for alternative attendance boundaries.
- August 2020 – Committee presents recommendations for alternative attendance boundaries to the BOE.
- September 2020 – Two public hearings held.
- October 2020 – Committee reconvenes to develop final recommendation.
- November 2020 – Final recommendation made to BOE.
- December 2020 – Notification issued to students affected.



Working Norms

The Committee made the following decisions:

1. To facilitate communication and collaboration among committee members a SharePoint site was established.
2. Meetings will follow board weather related cancelations.
3. A quorum requires a simple majority of members which at the time of establishment, the committee has thirteen voting members. Therefore, seven members must be present for a quorum. In addition, a minimum of two parent committee members must be present as part of the majority for all votes to be finalized. The Committee decided that subcommittees, if needed, can be formed to work and report back to the full committee.
4. The Committee decided that there would be two meetings per month starting at 5:30PM and be limited to a maximum of two hours.
5. Committee members are encouraged to inform their representative group of the process and status of the committee.
6. Determined to expand committee membership to include parent representation from Piney Ridge and Carrolltowne.



Information

- Board Policy and Administrative Regulation JCAA – Boundary Adjustments
- Board Policy and Administrative Regulation FA – Adequate Facilities
- The 2018 Freedom Plan Overview presented by Lynda Eisenberg, Director of Planning for Carroll County Government
- A report on the County's Adequate Facilities Ordinance and a summary of residential projects in progress by Clay Black, Bureau Chief – Carroll County Department of Development Review.
- Ten year enrollment projections 2021-2030 by Bill Caine, CCPS Facilities Planner
- An overview and demonstration of the school system's GIS software capabilities by Anita Stubenrauch, CCPS Transportation Operational Performance Supervisor



Committee Parameters/Factors

- Educational Welfare of Students
- Facility Utilization
- Impact on Student Ride Times and Transportation Efficiency
- Student Demographics
- Operating & Capital Costs
- Impact on Communities
- Impact on Regional Programs
- Impact on Feeder Patterns



Options Discussed

- Limited Short Term
- Regional Short Term
- Regional Long Term



Issues Raised

- Impacts of Elementary Moves on Middle Schools
- School Start Times
- Out of District Policy
- “Grandfathering”



Going Forward

- Committee develops options
- Options evaluated to determine recommendations for BOE consideration
- Public meetings to present recommendations to communities affected.
- Public comments utilized by committee to create final recommendation to BOE.



Questions?

- Information and status can be found at:
<https://www.carrollk12.org/boe/FESRedistricting/Pages/default.aspx>

