



## **BOUNDARY REVIEW TASK FORCE MEETING #5**

Date: November 6, 2018

Location: Career and Technical Education Center (CTEC) from 6 – 8 p.m.

### Introductions

Michael Wolfe from the District welcomed the group and set the agenda for the meeting which included feedback from the open houses, process adjustments, equity in decision making discussion, and then the Task Force gathering into their workgroups.

He then introduced Superintendent Christy Perry. Superintendent Perry thanked the task force for their time and important efforts. She restated the charge to the Task Force and spoke to the importance of equity considerations in the process. She also thanked the Task Force Co-chairs for their leadership.

### Feedback from Open Houses

Comments received from all open houses and online were sent to the Task Force in advance of the meeting for review; hardcopies of the final compilation of comments were made available during the meeting. Comments were organized by feeder system and themes including:

- Positive boundary adjustment progress feedback
- SES/Equity
- ES/MS/HS progression splits
- Data or information needs
- Concerns about Task Force process or open house format/input opportunities
- Maintaining neighborhood schools
- Maintaining continuity, continuity exemptions
- Providing support when SES changes
- Other
- Importance rating of guiding principles

Ratings of guiding principles for each feeder were:

#### McNary/West

- Safety to and from School
- Adequate Room/Involve Affected Communities
- Impacts to Neighborhoods

#### South/Sprague

- Involve Affected Communities
- Adequate Room/Equitable Access
- Continuity in School Assignments

### McKay/North

- Impacts to Neighborhoods/Safety to and from School
- Adequate Room/Equitable Access/Involve Affected Communities

### Process Adjustments

Mike Wolfe shared the District's thoughts on process adjustments based on the feedback received from the community, which include additional targeted outreach to affected school communities, more tailored presentations for community events, providing child care at open houses and more. In response to the feedback, the Open House events planned for November 20 have been postponed. A new date will be announced in the future. The District is looking at other ways to adjust plans to hear public input moving forward.

Recommendations to the superintendent are scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup> but this will be dependent on the Task Force process and flexibility may be needed.

Mr. Wolfe then opened the floor for questions or concerns regarding the process, open house, etc. The Task Force engaged in sharing feedback and their personal observations from the open houses.

### Equity Presentation

Mr. Wolfe introduced members of the District Cabinet and Executive Team to speak about equity and what that means to the District.

Linda Myers – Director of Academic Achievement, Secondary  
Cynthia Richardson – Director of Equity, Access and Advancement  
Craig Sproles - Director of Academic Achievement, Elementary

The goal of the presentation is to help the task force understand equity and equality definitions and the challenging questions and conversations that can occur during this process. The Task Force have been asked to have an equity lens during the boundary review process.

### Assigned Breakout Groups

Task Force members were broken out into the same three groups as the previous week to continue work from the previous week's meeting. District staff worked as floaters to interact with all three groups. The three breakout groups were arranged by pairing feeder systems as follows:

- Group 1: West and McNary
- Group 2: McKay and North
- Group 3: South and Sprague

### Group Discussion

For the final fifteen minutes of the evening, the Task Force was brought back together for recommendations by the West/McNary and South/Sprague groups.

- The West and McNary recommendations brought forward to the Task Force for consideration are as follows:
  - Triangular area in the SE Keizer Neighborhood Association--east of River Road and south of Sam Orcutt Way NE, between Cummings ES, Weddle ES, & Kennedy ES--moved from Keizer ES to Cummings ES.
    - This area currently attends Keizer ES but was moved to the Kennedy ES attendance area in Task Force Proposal 1. In Task Force Proposal 2, this area was moved from Kennedy ES to Cummings ES.
  - Area south of Verda Lane NE and Lawnview Street NE moved from Gubser ES to Keizer ES.
  - Area in Forest Ridge, south-west of Wheatland Road and south of Ridgeview Drive (doesn't include any of the properties off Ridgeview Drive) moved to Clear Lake ES.
  - In Task Force Proposal 1, Kennedy ES was extended to include the south part of the Greater Gubser Neighborhood Association near Kalmia Drive NE, Kinglet Way NE, and Klickitat Drive NE. Task Force Proposal 2 moves this area back to Gubser ES (original boundary between Kennedy ES and Gubser ES).
  - Middle school boundaries were aligned to match the proposed elementary changes.
- The South/Sprague recommendations brought forward to the Task Force for consideration are as follows:
  - Area south of Madrona Ave S and west of Croisan Creek Rd S was moved to Salem Heights ES, Crossler MS, and Sprague HS. The new Candalaria ES boundary is still within its existing feeder system.
  - Area west of Skyline Rd S moved to Schirle ES from Liberty ES.
  - Pringle and Battle Creek were changed back their original boundaries (no changes).
  - The area south of Vista Ave SE, west of 12th St SE, north of Ratcliff Dr SE, west of Ratcliff Ln SE, and east of Commercial St SE was moved to McKinley ES from Morningside ES.
  - High school and middle school boundaries were aligned to match the changes made to Candalaria ES and Salem Heights ES. Sprague HS boundary was reduced to remove the area south of Madrona Ave S and west of Croisan Creek Rd S that was moved to Salem Heights ES from Candalaria and thus to South HS.
  - Sprague HS boundary extended to include the entire new Lee ES boundary.
  - Pringle ES is no longer split between South and Sprague—Pringle will continue to go to South Salem HS.

Upcoming Task Force Committee Meeting #6

The meeting concluded with the next Task Force meeting scheduled for Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup>.