

Redistricting Committee Minutes
Tuesday, June 19, 2018 - 4:00p.m.
Athens-Chilesburg

Attendance: Sabrina Adkins, Janet Bertrand, Mike Cravens, Molly Dabney, Brad Daniel, Ray Daniels, Jonathan Fischer, Andre Fomby, Connie Harvey, Peggy Henderson, Abdul Muhammad, Sherry Price, Sarah Woodford, Kim Reeves, Myron Thompson, Chris Woodall, Susan Nally, Sarah Yates, Trish Crouch, Steve Hill, Heather Foley, Kathy Blanton, Brian Queen and Valerie Honeycutt Spears.

The meeting began at 4:05 p.m. with Steve thanking everyone for attending. There were several new parents attending. He distributed index cards for questions of those who are not committee members. Steve stated the goal for this committee is to develop this new school to look like the schools around it with a balance of economic diversity. Steve reminded us the new school will start with approximately 550 students. The committee will need to pull study areas to relieve ACE and then Garrett Morgan. We want what is best for the kids, their safety and what is financially viable for the district. Steve reminded us that the committee is looking at the long term forecast.

Scott Torlucci with Davis Demographics presented by skype a map and a chart of DRAFT A scenario for the committee to use as a starting point. (See attachments) DRAFT A chart reflects a 5 year forecast with only moving 272 students from ACE to ABE (the new Athens-Boonesboro Elementary). Scott pointed out that the map is NOT the proposed or final stage of rezoning, just a starting point. Using DRAFT A suggestions were made by the committee members to pull in certain study areas to fill ABE and look at student numbers. Some of those areas were Andover Hills, Stuart Hall, Bainbridge Drive and outbound Richmond Rd. The scenario with portions of those areas included in ABE will be DRAFT B. Scott said he will be using DRAFT B as a starting point at our next meeting. The committee will make more adjustments on DRAFT B on July 10th.

Steve reminded the committee that some of these moves may give ACE children the opportunity to get back to their resident school Garrett Morgan.

Question: *With some schools under capacity, can we pull students to help them?* Yes, we can look at that.

A member suggested we could consider looking at Squires that is under capacity and Julius Marks that is overcrowded.

Question: *Are there other places in Fayette County where a neighborhood is split?* Yes.

Question: *Are there other places in the district where kids are bused passed another school?* Yes.

Steve recommended we have another meeting before scheduling the public forum. Our next meeting is 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 10th at 701 E. Main Street in Norsworthy Auditorium.

The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.