

WAYZATA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Independent School District 284
Wayzata, Minnesota

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting - May 21, 2018 - 7:00 PM
Wayzata High School; 4955 Peony Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55446

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MISSION

Our Core Purpose:

The mission of Wayzata Public Schools is to ensure a world-class education that prepares each and every student to thrive today and excel tomorrow in an ever-changing global society.

VISION

What We Intend to Create and Experience:

The vision of Wayzata Public Schools is to be a model of excellence where all students discover their unique talents, develop a love and tenacity for learning and demonstrate confidence and capacity for success through:

Exceptional Student Learning, Experiences and Relationships:

- High achievement by each and every student—no exceptions, no excuses;
- Content-rich, rigorous and personalized education;
- Meaningful relationships with teachers, staff, mentors and peers in a welcoming, nurturing and safe environment where all are valued for who they are and the contributions they make.

Community Trust, Confidence and Partnership:

- Comprehensive learning opportunities meeting diverse learner needs and community aspirations;
- Committed to being the first choice for students and families;
- Maintaining the highest levels of satisfaction and pride by staff, parents and community.

Operational Excellence:

- Attraction, development and retention of exemplary, creative and engaged employees;
- Accountability by all staff for individual and collective performance;
- Effective and efficient use of time and human, financial and physical resources;
- Culture of continuous improvement and responsive innovation;
- High performing district governance, management and partnerships.

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AGENDA SECTION: 1. Call to Order

ITEM: Call to Order/Roll Call Attendance

COMMENTS BY: Sarah Johansen, Board Chair

School Board Chair, Sarah Johansen, will call the meeting to order. School Board Clerk Cheryl Polzin will call the roll.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Erik Brown	_____	_____
Linda Cohen	_____	_____
Andrea Cuene	_____	_____
Bonita Lucky	_____	_____
Chris McCullough	_____	_____
Cheryl Polzin	_____	_____
Sarah Johansen	_____	_____
Dr. Chace B. Anderson, Ex Officio	_____	_____

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AGENDA SECTION: Administrative

ITEM: A. Attendance Area Reconfiguration

COMMENTS BY: Chace B. Anderson, Superintendent

Attached is the administration’s recommendation for attendance area reconfiguration, beginning the 2019-2020 school year unless otherwise noted.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the attached attendance area reconfiguration plan.

Motion by: _____

ROLL CALL

Passed _____

Second by: _____

Failed _____

Abstentions: _____

MEMO

May 18, 2018

To: Chace B. Anderson, Superintendent
From: James R Westrum, Executive Director of Business and Finance
Kristin Tollison, Director of Administrative Services
Re: Administrative Attendance Area Recommendation

Introduction and Background Information:

In January of 2018, the Wayzata Board of Education directed the administration to empanel a citizens' committee to review and recommend school boundaries in advance of the opening of the ninth elementary school. In addition to populating the ninth elementary school, the committee was asked to study the boundaries for schools in the north that are nearing or exceeding capacity and those in the south which currently have excess capacity. Using a GIS tool with current student information, information on growth from our cities and the guidance of several outside experts the committee met several times over the winter and spring.

In April and May, the committee presented its recommendation to the administration and school board as well as the general community. Over the month of May, administration and school board members received extensive feedback through an online form, emails, phone calls, and meetings. The school board met on May 14th for the sole purpose of discussing boundaries and eliciting specific details from district staff.

This recommendation has its foundation in the work of the committee as well as additional efforts from staff to provide alternatives to some of the feedback received.

Administrative Recommendations:

Consistent with the Committee's Recommendation

1. The Bonaire, Fieldstone Meadows, Prominence Woods, Prominence Creek and Ploceus Meadows neighborhoods, north of County Road 47, west of Lawndale, east of County Road 101 up to the northernmost edge of the school district will move from Meadow Ridge to Elementary #9.
2. The Terra Vista, Dunkirk Gateway, Aspen Hollow, and Woodcrest Hills and will move from Kimberly Lane to Meadow Ridge.
3. The Wild Meadows, Cherry Hill Farms and Medina Highlands will move from Greenwood to Elementary #9 and Central Middle School. (Grandfathering available for 2019-2020 6th, 7th and 8th grade middle school students for families requesting such.)

4. Ravinia #1 and existing homes in Corcoran that are located east of County Road 116 will move from Oakwood/Meadow Ridge to Elementary #9.
5. Anticipated but currently undeveloped future neighborhood in Medina, Corcoran, Maple Grove and Plymouth will be assigned in the future to a school to be determined. (See map.)

Modifications to the Committee's Recommendation

1. Greentree Forest, Greentree West, Meadowood and Bay Pointe neighborhoods will remain at Oakwood Elementary.
2. Heather Run, Seven Ponds and Cornerstone Commons neighborhoods will move from Greenwood to Gleason Lake. In addition, the district will facilitate transfers to Oakwood from these neighborhoods for families requesting such.
3. The Summers Edge South neighborhood and yet undeveloped areas east of Brockton Lane, west of County Road 101, north of Medina Road and south Cedar Hollow developments will move from Greenwood to Gleason Lake.

Administrative Implementation Recommendations/Actions:

1. Where possible, some staff from Meadow Ridge will go to Elementary #9 according to district staffing protocols.
2. Where possible, group students together in the 2018-2019 school year at Greenwood and Meadow Ridge who will be moving to Elementary #9 and give the same consideration when arriving to their new schools for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. Where possible, group students together in the 2018-2019 school year at Greenwood, who will be moving to Gleason Lake, into the same classrooms and give the same consideration when arriving to their new schools for the 2019-2020 school year.
4. Where possible, group students together in the 2018-2019 school year at Kimberly Lane, who will be moving to Meadow Ridge, into the same classrooms and give the same consideration when arriving to their new schools for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. As in the past, grandfather the 2019-2020 6th, 7th, and 8th graders for middle school to ensure that all middle school students attend with peers.
6. Review budgets for Elementary School #9 and if needed secure additional resources to ensure the school has a playground and media resources consistent with the enrollment of the school.
7. Registration for Home Base is based on district participation, therefore, families' priority status will not be impacted by moving to a different elementary school.
8. School principals and staff, working in cooperation with the PTA/PTO, will plan and communicate transition activities to help ensure students and families feel welcome and comfortable when they arrive to their new school.
9. Parents with child(ren) scheduled to move to Gleason Lake the fall of 2019 may request to start at Gleason Lake in the fall of 2018-2019 through the current intra-district transfer process.

10. Staff will continue to monitor enrollment numbers and address individual family needs through the intra-district transfer process.

Closing Thoughts:

The citizen's committee, administration and the School Board all recognize that our students and families are our priority. Balancing the needs of our students, our buildings and our budgets is extremely complex. We support this recommendation as the best of all imperfect solutions for the nearly 17,000 school age and preschool age children that reside in our community.

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AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Transportation Contract - Regular to and From Transportation - First Student, Inc.

COMMENTS BY: Mr. Jim Westrum, Executive Director of Finance and Business Services

Approval of Transportation Contract - Regular to and From Transportation - First Student, Inc.

On April 28, 2014, the School Board entered into a contract with First Student, Inc. to provide regular education to and from transportation. The terms of the contract were for two years (14-15 & 15-16) with a district option for an additional two years (16-17 & 17-18).

As part of the contract, First Student replaced the entire bus fleet and converted the fuel to use propane as an alternative fuel option. After four years the entire daily regular education fleet is now propane with diesel buses being used as back-up or long trip solution.

The District administration is recommending exercising the option to renew for an additional two years for 18-19 (year 1) and for 19-20 (year 2). The option includes a market value adjustment and thus, the rate increase is 12.0% in both year 1 and year 2, with an option to renew for an additional two year period at 2.5% thereafter. The increase in the daily rates will be used in part to attract and retain bus drivers for the Wayzata Public School routes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the District recommendation to exercise the option to renew the Transportation Contract - Regular to and From Transportation - First Student, Inc. with the rate increases noted above and authorize the Board Chair and the Clerk to execute the contract.

Motion by: _____ Yes _____ Passed _____

Second by: _____ No _____ Failed _____

Abstentions _____

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AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Transportation Contract - Special Transportation - MTI

COMMENTS BY: Mr. Jim Westrum, Executive Director of Finance and Business Services

Approval of Transportation Contract - Special Transportation - MTI

In April, 2014, the District reviewed Request for Proposals (RFP) for special transportation services.

Based upon the results of the RFP process, on April 28, 2014 the District entered into a contract with Mainline Transportation, Inc. (MTI) for special transportation services during the 2014-15 & 2015-16 school years with a district option to extend the contract for additional 2 year periods. The District extended the original contract for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 years.

Mainline Transportation, Inc. (MTI) has worked efficiently and effectively with the District over the past four years.

The District administration is recommending exercising the district option to extend the contract for an additional 2 years. The extension includes a 7.0% increase for 2018-19 (year 1) and 5.5% increase for 2019-20 (year 2). This increase is related to a market value adjustment.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the District recommendation to exercise the option to extend the transportation contract – Special Transportation - with the rate increases noted above, with Mainline Transportation (MTI) and authorize the Board Chair and Clerk to execute the contract.

Motion by: _____ Yes _____ Passed _____

Second by: _____ No _____ Failed _____

Abstentions _____

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AGENDA SECTION: 3. Adjourn _____

ITEM: Adjourn _____

COMMENTS BY: Sarah Johansen, Board Chair _____

This agenda item brings closure to the school board meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Call the meeting to a close.

Motion by: _____ Yes _____ Passed _____

Second by: _____ No _____ Failed _____

Abstentions: _____

Time: _____