

2009 Attendance Area Adjustment Committee
Meeting #5
August 18, 2009

Summary

The fifth meeting of the 2009 Attendance Area Adjustment Committee (AAAC) began at 7:17 PM. Joel Gallihue Manager, School Planning, opened the meeting.

Staff members in attendance:

Terry Alban, Chief Operating Officer
Joel Gallihue, Manager of School Planning
Jennifer Bubenko, Planning Specialist

Committee members in attendance:

Kemi Adetunji	Jill McLeigh
Marie desJardins	Rita Morsberger
Jonathan England	Mary Jo Neil
Ayeola Fortune	Theodore D. Wimberly, Sr.
Jennifer LaStova	

Committee members not in attendance:

Vernon "Ron" Brade	Jon E. Offley
Lynne Ensor	

Handouts

On Monday, August 17, 2009, the AAAC members received an email with all boundary@hcpss.org correspondence received between 8/11/09 and 8/17/09 compiled into a single PDF. At the beginning of the meeting, the committee members received copies of additional correspondence that was received between 8/17/09 and 8/18/09. The AAAC also received reports from plans presented to the Office School Planning in the last week.

Presentation

The meeting will be focused on the Woodmark Triangle Area. A brief synopsis of last week's meeting, including the discussion on the Greenbridge Area, was provided to the AAAC and public.

Plans that were discussed include:

Staff Plan (as seen in Feasibility Study)

- Moves an estimated 42 students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS
- Improves capacity utilization at Folly Quarter MS and Mount View MS
- Improves feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS (3.2% → 10.8%)
- Creates a small West Friendship ES to Folly Quarter MS feed (0% → 8.2%)
- Leaves River Hill HS capacity to accept students from Reservoir HS, if necessary

F09wdmk6 (provided by members of the Woodmark Community)

Moves an estimated 70 students from Manor Woods ES to Triadelphia Ridge ES

Moves an estimated 81 students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS

Moves an estimated 10 students from Glenelg HS to Marriotts Ridge HS

Moves an estimated 88 students from River Hill HS to Marriotts Ridge HS

Moves students along Triadelphia Road

Improves capacity utilization at Manor Woods ES and Triadelphia Ridge ES

Improves capacity utilization at Mount View MS and Folly Quarter MS

Improves capacity utilization at Marriotts Ridge HS

The students move from ES to MS to HS together

Creates two small feeds from ES to MS to remove one from MS to HS – must

confirm in new plan that starts from base09

Leaves River Hill HS capacity to accept students from Reservoir HS, if necessary

F09wdmk8 (provided by members of the Woodmark Community)

Moves an estimated 39 students from Marriotts Ridge HS to River Hill HS

Only affects Woodmark Triangle Area

Removes feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS (3.2% → 0%)

Does not help utilization percentage at Folly Quarter MS and Mount View MS

Worsens capacity utilization at Marriotts Ridge HS

F09wdmk9 (provided by members of the Woodmark Community)

Moves an estimated 39 students from Marriotts Ridge HS to Glenelg HS

Only affects Woodmark Triangle Area

Removes feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS (3.2% → 0%)

Does not help utilization percentage at Folly Quarter MS and Mount View MS

Worsens capacity utilization at Marriotts Ridge HS

F09wdmka (provided by members of the Woodmark Community)

Moves an estimated 92 students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS

Improves capacity utilization at Folly Quarter MS and Mount View MS

Creates small feed from Manor Woods ES to Folly Quarter MS (0% → 14.8%)

Decreases Busy Park ES to Folly Quarter feed (14.4% → 12.2%)

Leaves River Hill HS capacity to accept students from Reservoir HS, if necessary

F09wdmkb (provided by members of the Woodmark Community)

Moves an estimated 187 students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS

Improves capacity utilization at Folly Quarter MS and Mount View MS

Creates small feed from Manor Woods ES to Folly Quarter MS (0% → 12.7%)

Creates small feed from West Friendship ES to Folly Quarter MS (0% → 14.5%)

Decreases Busy Park ES to Folly Quarter feed (14.4% → 10.4%)

Leaves River Hill HS capacity to accept students from Reservoir HS, if necessary

F09wdmkc (created by AAAC)

Moves an estimated 39 students from Marriotts Ridge HS to River Hill HS

Moves an estimated 76 students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS

Creates NEW feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS (3.2% → 7.7%)

Worsens capacity utilization at Marriotts Ridge HS

Fixing the new small feed requires moving the same students to River Hill HS

Moving more students into River Hill HS leaves less capacity for future needs

from Reservoir HS

If the goal is to correct the small feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS and to move the smallest number of students, plan F09wdmk8 (moving the Woodmark Triangle Area to River Hill HS), seems very appealing. If an additional goal is to better the capacity utilization at the Mount View MS, F09wdmka (moving students from Mount View MS to Folly Quarter MS) could be a good plan.

One committee member asked if the two concerns (small feed from Folly Quarter MS to Marriotts Ridge HS and the overcrowding at Mount View MS) can be addressed separately. Another member asked if the Woodmark Triangle Area students were redistricted to River Hill HS to fix the small feed, would they need to re-redistricted back to Marriotts Ridge HS for capacity reasons in the future. Also, redistricting along the Western border of Mount View MS will create a small Bushy Park ES feed to Glenwood MS. Redistricting along the Eastern border of Mount View MS would put further pressure on schools with higher capacity utilizations.

The AAAC determined that they will return to the discussion of these two plans at the next meeting.

Additional Comments:

- Staff recommended that redistricting plans avoid the establishment of feeds less than 10% where possible for Policy 6010, School Attendance Areas. The Board of Education increased the standard to 15%.
- The Woodmark Area has transportation to both Marriotts Ridge HS and River Hill HS.
- Staff was considering potential future movement of Reservoir HS students to River Hill HS to relieve Reservoir HS. The 2008 projection (with the previously approved capacity) indicated that Reservoir HS would need capacity utilization relief sooner than the 2009 projection (with the revised high school capacity) indicates.
- The feed from Murray Hill MS to Atholton HS and Hammond HS is less than the 15% guideline found in Policy 6010, School Attendance Areas.
- The development at Turf Valley is expected in the future, but exact dates are unknown.
- The Woodmark Triangle Area includes polygons 180, 181, 1180, and 1181.
- Marriotts Ridge HS is already under the capacity utilization target range (90%-110%) listed in Policy 6010, School Attendance Areas.
- Projected growth in the Columbia Downtown area will affect Wilde Lake HS.
- Long term planning may consider moving students from Centennial HS to Marriotts Ridge HS to better capacity utilization at both schools and increase the small feed from Burleigh Manor MS to Marriotts Ridge HS.
- Plan F09wdmk6 should be entered into the Whiffer without the long term staff plan so that the specific effects of the plan recommendation can be studied.

Committee Members requested:

- The number of students in each polygon in the Woodmark Triangle and surroundings areas. This number is listed effects report for each scenario.
- An email with only plans F09wdmk8 and F09wdmka.

- Pros and Cons of plans F09wdmk8 and F09wdmka.
- Maps of plans F09wdmk8 and F09wdmka.
- An email of correspondence on August 24, 2009 and August 31, 2009.

The meeting ended at about 9:15 PM. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1st in Room B37 in the Application and Research Laboratory. The discussion on the Woodmark Triangle Area will continue.