

SAZAC COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 23, 2023

Call to Order: Marcel Davis, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Agenda: Review 1st Iteration of Warrington Middle School Attendance Zone. Mr. Dennis advised the committee that negotiations were still ongoing. The options are Charter School Solution or Closure. The limitation is only two of the surrounding schools qualify instead of three. The students must be served at a higher performing school. The two qualifying schools are Bailey Middle and Workman Middle.

Discussion of Warrington Middle School Attendance Zone: The committee discussed the current capacity available at Workman Middle and Bailey Middle. The total number of students in the attendance zone and compared it to the total number actually attending. The committee then looked at the iterations to make appropriate attendance shifts. The process requires factoring in natural boundaries such as roadways and wetlands.

The capacity for both schools is good. The need for portables is not necessary in this regard. The bad news is only two schools are available for an influx of students.

- One challenge is Bailey Middle sits in the farthest west zone of its own attendance zone.
- Workman Middle sits in the Northern most edge of its own attendance zone.
- Both locations will be a factor in student transporting time.

The committee used the correction factor, and the students are equally distributed.

Available capacity: Cannot serve 100% per State. Page 1 of the Attendance Zone Recommendation Worksheet shows the summary of Attendance Zone Changes without over capacity being an issue.

Warrington Middle $642 \times (0.43) = 276$ Schooled to Workman Middle

Warrington Middle $695 \times (0.43) = 298$ Schooled to Bailey Middle

The schools would still be considered insignificant compared to other middle schools after the change. Bailey Middle has previously operated at the proposed number in the past.

The committee members are asked to physically drive the area and note any concerns about traffic, time or other obstructions that need to be considered.

Questions and Concerns: Does our solution create problems

- Populations that do not get alone
- Some areas are large and will require more than one bus
- Will the children arrive on time before instructional time

- Will children have adequate time to eat breakfast
- We will look at mock transportation with real students and stops
- We will consider adjustment times of schools
- Start time for schools/Transit Run Time/Interaction of students/School Density

Next Step: The committee will address unforeseen obstacles

- Student activities
- Community Inclusion
- Tutoring or other resources that could help
- Student Safety Concerns
- Student ECAT Services
- What are the plans to inform parents

Next Meeting: April 13, 2023, at 5:00PM

Committee Questions/Concerns: The committee will submit all challenges and other obstacles in writing to the board.

Adjournment: 6:20 PM