

REPORTS

Rick Baldwin stated the AZAC Bylaws, reflecting discussion of the last meeting, are provided.

Albert Delgado, without objection from the Commission, opened REVIEW OF AZAC BYLAWS FOR POSSIBLE REVISIONS, REVIEW OF REGULATION 7111 FOR POSSIBLE REVISIONS, and REVIEW OF REGULATION 7124 FOR POSSIBLE REVISIONS (Agenda Items 3.03, 3.04, and 3.05) together. Mr. Delgado read Regulation 7111, District Attendance Zoning, Section I and asked for comments from staff and the commission.

Justin Hepworth stated the factors listed should be consistent with other regulations and the Attendance Zone Advisory Commission Bylaws in content and order presented.

Justin Hepworth recommended, after discussion by the commissioners and staff, elimination of the criteria noted in Section I replaced by reference to Section II, Criteria.

Rick Baldwin recommended changing all references to the Instruction Unit to the Academic Unit and changing design capacity to program capacity for accuracy.

Rachel Wren stated additional avenues to encourage public input were discussed at the end of last season. Ms. Wren asked if Section I, Subsection B 1 might be a place to list additional methods.

Justin Hepworth stated listing specific methods of district/parent communication can limit the district to those when other means may be available.

Rick Baldwin advised caution in potentially regulating parental involvement.

Discussion of communication with parents ensued.

Rick Baldwin suggested Section I, Subsection C 1 refer to the end of January of each year rather than in January of each year for flexibility and clarity.

Justin Hepworth stated Section I, Subsection D 1 is unclear; it appears to refer to more than one vote in the final phase of creating a recommendation for the Board of School Trustees. Mr. Hepworth recommended removing the references to the superintendent.

Angela Haldeman stated she reads Section I, Subsection D 1 as a timeline providing deadlines for completion of the zoning tasks of AZAC for presentation to the superintendent and then to the Board of School Trustees.

Rick Baldwin stated Ms. Haldeman's comment is correct: the original intent of Subsection D 1 was as a timeline.

Rachel Wren stated this is the only reference to the superintendent's ability to make a substitute recommendation and is, therefore, important for public understanding of the process.

Rick Baldwin suggested creating Subsection E to separate the AZAC deadline from the superintendent's review, thereby clarifying the intent of Section I, Subsection D 1.

Rachel Wren suggested adding to Section II, Criteria, the phrase, "in no particular order."

Rick Baldwin stated Section II Criteria, Subsection D, reading, "Stability of educational programs for students, with the goal that students would not be rezoned more frequently than necessary;" should be specific. Mr. Baldwin stated the phrase, "more frequently than necessary" means different things to different people.

Justin Hepworth stated Subsection E states "in two consecutive years," thereby clarifying the intent of the two subsections.

Albert Delgado suggested eliminating the phrase quoted above from Subsection D, stating the first part of the sentence regarding educational stability stand alone as a separate criterion.

Justin Hepworth recommended adding proximity of neighborhoods as well as over- and underutilization of schools, facility use, alternative schedules, and program needs to the Section II Criteria. Mr. Hepworth stated parents express concern about neighborhoods being kept intact when rezoning; it should, therefore, be a factor considered in the zoning process.

The commission, after discussion, concurred.

Rick Baldwin stated staff no longer has the data previously used to evaluate socio-economics in areas considered for rezoning; commissioners' knowledge of their areas will be the only tool available to balance socio-economic factors.

Justin Hepworth recommended adding as a criterion, "Over- and underutilization of schools, facility use, alternative schedules, and program needs," deleted from Section I.

Justin Hepworth recommended eliminating middle/junior high schools and existing high school references from Section II Subsection M, "AZAC may recommend grade level phasing when evaluating attendance boundary changes between existing middle/junior high schools and between existing high schools" and adding "in appropriate circumstances."

Rachel Wren recommended moving the new criterion referencing neighborhoods to D as it is out of place with the surrounding criteria.

Rick Baldwin recommended rewording design capacity to program capacity in Section III Utilization of Facilities.

Justin Hepworth suggested eliminating the quantifier eight from Section V Use of Portables, "In recommending attendance zone changes, AZAC will consider the need for more than eight (8) portable classrooms to accommodate overcrowding..."

Rick Baldwin concurred; Mr. Baldwin explained the number eight is specific to Regulation 7124 overseeing conversion from and to year round calendars.

Rachel Wren stated this information seems to be out of place.

Angela Haldeman stated Section V is repetitive and, therefore, unnecessary; portable consideration is mentioned in Utilization of Facilities.

Justin Hepworth concurred with Ms. Wren and Ms. Haldeman and stated diversity is mentioned in Section II Subsection B, over-utilization has been added to Section II; if reference to portables and to alternative schedules are added as separate criteria under Section II, Sections III, IV, V, and VI can be eliminated.

Rick Baldwin agreed Section III appears out of place.

Angela Haldeman stated Section IV Diversity should remain. Ms. Haldeman stated titles of Clark County School District, AZAC, and the superintendent should be consistent and make clear which areas are informational and which are directives for AZAC.

Justin Hepworth concurred with Ms. Haldeman, stating only Section V Use of Portables be eliminated, creating a new subsection under Section II Criteria.

Albert Delgado requested clarification of Section II Subsection L, "Twelfth-grade students currently enrolled in an existing high school will not be reassigned when a high school attendance boundary is changed.

Becky Nielson stated seniors are not reassigned, but may choose to go to the newly assigned school; new high schools are not opened with twelfth grade.

Rick Baldwin stated, while no high school has been built in almost ten years, new high schools did not receive curriculum or staffing for twelfth grade.

Rachel Wren stated a new high school will be opening in the near future. Ms. Wren asked if the numbers will be high enough to open the school with a full twelfth grade class; AZAC will be limited in zoning high schools if Section II Subsection L remains as it currently reads.

Justin Hepworth stated it should be removed as a criterion and made another factor to consider.

Becky Nielson stated twelfth grade may be included under the phasing criterion, Section II Subsection M.

Albert Delgado stated Section II Subsection K, "New high schools open without a twelfth grade class" is affected by this change.

Becky Nielson stated Subsections K and L would both be eliminated.

Rachel Wren concurred because some of the new high schools will have sufficient numbers to include twelfth grade.

CALENDAR, DATES, AND TIMES

The next AZAC meeting will be held on September 11, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Motion: Matthew Tramp

Second: Rachel Wren

Vote: Unanimous

David Gomez, Angela Haldeman, Mallory Levins, Shari Lyman, and Mike Malone were not present to vote.