

District 5 CAB Oaklawn Elementary School

October 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**Board Members in Attendance:** Olivia Hayse, John Nicholas, Fred Pinaire, David Sowden, Brad Smith, Janet Theoharis, Tanya Jacobucci, Amanda Amerine, Joseph Elmore, Fred Pinaire

1. **Call to Order:**
   1. David Sowden called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm
2. **Invocation:**
3. **Flag Salute:**
4. **Roll Call:**
   1. Amanda Amerine, Olivia Hayse, Tonya Jacobucci, Liz Loera, John Nicholas, Fred Pinaire, Brad Smith, David Sowden, Janet Theorharis
5. **Approval of Minutes:**
   1. David Sowden moved to approve the minutes. Brad Smith seconded the motion.
   2. Unanimous approval of the September 2, 2021 Minutes
6. **Commissioner Howell**
   1. **Redistricting**
      1. Redistricting software will be going public
      2. He received 8 proposals to discuss at the next staff meeting
      3. It is a little hard to figure out what is changing with just looking at the maps
         1. He requested a spreadsheet to have the granular detail necessary
      4. The 8 proposals are drastically different
         1. In 4 of the 8 proposal District 5 doesn’t change
      5. In one proposal District 5 would extend to Haysville
      6. He presented the CAB with a handout on district populations
      7. He wants the CAB to look at the 8 proposals and give their opinions
      8. Two lines of thought:
         1. Make the least number of changes
         2. Make the district as even as possible
   2. **En banc meeting**
      1. ARPA money
      2. Mental health
         1. ICT-1
      3. There appeared to be no conclusion
   3. **JIAC fatality**
      1. Constitutional due process is a process
      2. It is important to let the process work itself out
      3. It can up to 12 weeks to get the toxicology report back
         1. This is a major element to determine what happened
      4. The release of the video won’t help
         1. The JIAC employees deserves due process
         2. So does the young man
   4. **Regulations**
      1. Several regulations came up at a meeting recently
      2. One involved surface drive way access for fire departments
         1. After the initial inspection there are no follow-ups
      3. We are the only county in the state with this regulation
      4. He would rather have a recommended standard
      5. Another one was about plumbing codes
         1. He asked for 8 changes
            1. They adopted 7 of them
         2. Held out on air-admittance valves recommendation
      6. Regulations are a big deal
         1. Over-regulation costs money
7. **New Business**
   1. **Redistricting** 
      1. We should have a round-table discussion
      2. The November meeting will be too late
      3. Do we want one group or two groups?
      4. Sowden encouraged that they bring Commissioner Howell into the discussion to answer technical questions
         1. Get information from the Commissioner
      5. Hayse wanted to know if there was a map that made the most sense to Commissioner Howell
         1. Sowden mentioned that it might serve the Commissioner better if they discussed the issue first
         2. This would preclude any possible hint of bias
      6. Several of the plans keep communities together and use rivers/roads as natural boundaries
      7. Population disparity must be less than 1% between districts
      8. These 8 proposals were generated by staff
         1. GIS
      9. There are no demographic rules outside of population
         1. Population is the only factor that matters
      10. John Nicholas wanted to make Plan 5 the least favorite
      11. Sowden wanted to focus on the least disruptive change The discussion focused on natural boundaries, populations, and socio-economic status
      12. They focused very heavily on equity of population
      13. Plan 5 is the least best of the option
      14. They decided to pick the 4 best options and recommend those to Commissioner Howell
      15. John Nicholas moved to approve a recommendation that the County strongly consider the following plans: Proposal 6, Proposal 3, Proposal 7, and Proposal 8 as being the best. Olivia Hayse seconded the motion.
          1. The motion passed unanimously.
      16. Three CAB members liked Plan 6
      17. Members were torn between Plans 3 and 6
      18. Commissioner Howell felt that Plan 3 did not solve some of the issues facing the county
      19. Commissioner Howell asked what additional information they would like if it comes up for discussion before the CAB again
          1. John Nicholas would like to see more information about neighborhoods
             1. Doesn’t like the idea of splitting Riverside, Oaklawn, etc.

Commissioner Howell pointed out that neighborhood information is hard to collect objectively

Commissioner Howell pointed out that Census data is easier to collect

* + - 1. David Sowden would like to know more about the socio-economic and age information
         1. Makes a huge difference during the budgeting process
      2. Population change in percentage
  1. Intersections
     1. John Nicholas addressed issue intersection
     2. Discussed the possibility of federal funding for infrastructure
     3. Tonya moved to have Commissioner Howell to apply for a grant to study the issue of 47th Street South and Clifton; and K15 and 47th Street South. John Nicholas seconded the motion.
        1. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **Updates**
   1. Follow-up with elections
   2. Continue discussion of Public Works
   3. Continue looking at ICT-1
2. **Adjournment**
   1. Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.