

SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
MINUTES OF THE ELEMENTARY REDISTRICTING SUBCOMMITTEE
January 14, 2020

The meeting began at approximately 7:05pm.
The location was the Sherwood Middle School Media Center.

Present: Sandra Fryc [School Committee Chairperson], Jon Wensky [School Committee Vice Chairperson], Joseph Sawyer [Superintendent], Patrick Collins [Asst. Superintendent for Finance and Operations], Bryan Mabie [Principal, Spring Street School], Tiffany Ostrander [Principal Coolidge School], Terrick Andey [Parent Representative, Beal Early Childhood Ctr.], Christine Jasinski, [Parent Representative, Coolidge School], Rajesh Velagapudi, Floral Street School], Shannon Creedon [Parent Representative, Paton School], Michelle Papper [Parent Representative, Spring St. School]

The meeting began with a round of introductions which segued into an overview of the contents of a binder that was distributed to each member.

Ms. Fryc, Dr. Sawyer, and Mr. Collins all contributed to a background on the new Beal School Project, the district's enrollment growth, and the space pressure on current elementary schools, and the rationale for redistricting.

Ms. Fryc described the formation and charge to the Redistricting Committee which is to gain broad input into developing viable options for redistricting and weighing their merits against the Guiding Principles with ultimate goal of making a recommendation the School Committee. The School Committee has the authority to make the decision on the new elementary school zones.

The committee then broke into three smaller groups to discuss the understanding and meaning of the Redistricting Guiding Principles as approved by the School Committee and group representatives summarized the discussion to the entire committee.

Mr. Collins provided a walk through of the binder content data to include current and target elementary school enrollments and the role of the GIS consultant and demographer to be hired.

The upcoming meeting schedule was communicated as monthly to start and occurring on the second tuesday of each month at 7pm.

The meeting then ended at 8:35pm.