

**BASD Enrollment Review Committee Minutes**  
**Education Center**  
**December 15, 2015**

In attendance:

**Committee Members Present**

Jill Dennin – Chair  
Christine Neiman  
Donna Usavage

**Administration**

Robert Scoboria  
Dave Szablowski  
Steve Missimer

There were six members of the public in attendance including BASD Board Members Mr. Caso, Mr. Elsier, Mr. Landino, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Breece.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Dennin at 6:14 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence were completed.
- III. Mrs. Dennin welcomed everyone to the meeting, stated the purpose of tonight's meeting is to review information to help the committee make recommendations to the Board of School Directors. The goal of the committee is to increase community involvement in these meetings as the process moves forward. Mrs. Dennin also clarified the role an ad hoc committee fulfills.
- IV. The Committee reviewed two research reports prepared by Hanover Research to provide background information to assist this committee's work. Discussion took place regarding the key findings, impact of school/class size on achievement and cost and options for districts to consider when addressing enrollment issues.
- V. The Committee reviewed the seven BASD elementary attendance areas through the Transfinder system. Discussion took place regarding population density, travel distance to schools, gray areas and potential development. The Transfinder tool can be used to revise student attendance areas.
- VI. The Committee reviewed the Pennsylvania Economy League Demographic Report from February 2015. Key slides from the 2015 presentation were reviewed to understand the projections contained in this report.
- VII. The Committee discussed the need to keep this information up to date, especially related to new housing in Montgomery County. The Committee also reviewed the 2015-2016 BASD enrollment and 5/10 year trends.
- VIII. Public Comment  
Mr. Landino suggested that enrollment charts include updated school capacity so it is clear how current resources are utilized. Mr. Landino also noted with decreased enrollment of a few BASD schools, the data suggests a need to study our current distribution of students to each school. Mr. Landino also suggested to remove grade six from data to reflect the 2017-18 BASD grade configuration.

IX. Next Steps

- Next Enrollment Committee Meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Center
- Administration will request to attend PTA/PTO/HSA meetings at each school to share updates on Committee work in March/April 2016.
- The Committee will consider a survey for stakeholders this spring/summer as options are developed.
- The BASD website contains Enrollment Committee Agendas, Minutes, handouts and related reports under announcements and also in the Board Committee Section.

X. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.