

**School & Community Relations
December 19, 2019**

In Attendance:

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| Matt Rosenberg | BOE Member |
| Tracy Baron | BOE Member |
| Liz Hausman | PIO Officer |
| Diane Newell | CIO |
| Doug Berry | Assistant Superintendent |
| Lisa Brady | Superintendent |

Demographic Report Communication

We will plan for a follow-up communication after the January 7th BOE meeting since we anticipate that there will be concerns among parents and in the community. We will need to communicate the **actual reasons** for the increased enrollment so as not to fuel rumors or incorrect information which is likely to happen. We can say that the BOE requested an updated report from the demographer based on an unexpectedly large cohort of students in kindergarten this year. The BOE and community can ask questions of the demographer in January to get an idea of whether this is a long-term issue or will the enrollment level off or drop down again. This information will be necessary in order to thoroughly vet the options that we may or may not have.

The Committee also discussed that a community task force of some kind should be created so that we have a broader group working together about how to best address all of the components of this and so that it is not deemed as solely a “school district” issue.

We will need to begin to meet fairly quickly on this and discuss how to best approach the convening of this kind of committee (who is on it, when does it meet, what information will be shared, etc.)

Parent Safety and Security Night

January 29th at 7 p.m. MS/HS Library. Mike, Liz, and Lisa are working on this and a parent emergency preparedness and information brochure is being developed. The focus of the evening will be the different types of drills that are practiced by students and staff so that parents can discuss these with their children at home as well as have an awareness of what the drills are designed to do. The evening (and the brochure) will also provide a list of “dos and don’ts” for parents in the event of an actual emergency.

A K-12 will go out in mid-January and will contain a link to a Google Form where parents can submit questions ahead of time. This will allow the program to also answer parents questions (if we can) and to provide more targeted specific information if possible.