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Diversity/Facilities Task Force Feedback - Boundary Policy

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This month the areas and DAC are being joined by staff from Strategy & Innovation to discuss staff proposed changes to the School Boundaries policy (Policy 5000/8010) and School Choice (Policy 6400).

Proposed initial changes to the Boundary policy were unanimously rejected in their entirety at the April District Advisory Council meeting in the following motion:

Due to concerns about the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) and State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) equitable treatment of students community boundary process community member boundary proposals and lack of parent organization and advisory committee participation, we reject the proposed Policy 8010 changes and recommend starting fresh with community input from the three regions.

The 7/23/24 version included changes from what had been previously presented to stakeholders, and highlighted an additional area of concern not previously discussed--long-range planning. At the 7/23/24 Board meeting staff asserted that current language in Policy 5000 prevents boundary changes from being proposed this year for the FY26 school year. The Board sent the policy back to loop the changes.

The Diversity Committee passed the following motion at their 8/1/24 meeting. Their concerns are listed in the attached matrix.

We move that the Diversity Committee reserve the right to reject all changes with policy formally known as 5000 that will be 8010 accept where new legislation required if the recommendation of this committee is not implemented.

[Florida Statute 120.54\(1\)\(g\)](#) states "Each rule adopted shall contain only one subject." I've attached the Palm Beach and Miami Dade policies related to "student assignment." Palm Beach in particular has multiple policies for multiple subjects, instead of what is currently being proposed under policy 8010. Both counties also include a standing Boundary Committee.

On 8/8/24, the Facilities Task Force reviewed existing Policy 5000 with staff (see attached policy). We did NOT review the changes made by staff between 5/29 and 7/23 because of the number of concerns raised by North Area and the Diversity Committee (see attached). The attached includes additional concerns I found once I started comparing the existing policy to proposed changes. Current policy provisions discussed at the FTF meeting included the following:

1. The Superintendent has until October to recommend a boundary process.
2. The Superintendent has until March to recommend boundary changes to the Board.
3. The Boundary Committee is created via a resolution.
4. The resolution is not required by policy.
5. The policy does not dictate the composition of the committee.

The FTF came to the consensus to retain Policy 5000 for the coming year, as there was no compelling argument made by staff that the existing policy would prevent boundary changes from being proposed as part of redefining. Our discussion of the School Choice policy was limited to expressing that any revisions proposed in the School choice policy should not conflict with policy 5000 should policy 5000 be retained.

6 attachments



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