

## October 30<sup>th</sup> EMC Community Meeting Questions Not Addressed During Presentation

- 1) How do you determine the number? Are they the numbers of students for the 2008-09 school year?

*Using the Kasarda B projections and available classrooms. The numbers are based on 09/10 school projections.*

- 2) With all the changing and moving and redistricting in the past, none of the problems have been solved. How about thinking and organizing the school district by adding a couple of more schools because all of these kids are going to grow up and you are going to have the same problems for middle school and high school in a few years.

*A variety of referendums have been attempted and failed. New schools cannot be constructed without passing a referendum. The charge posed to the EMC was to distribute the student population equitably among the existing schools.*

- 3) Thank you to the committee for well formulated proposals. If I read the slides correctly, the intent was to remove 4 students from Lines, yet two for the proposals increased the average student/classroom above the 22.7 goal. Can you explain?

*Extended projections show a decrease in the Lines population, so when attempting to make a long-lasting recommendation, it makes sense to at least consider the option of a boundary change.*

- 4) With regard to G.P. #5, did the committee consider the measure of total distance traveled between current state and proposed boundaries? How will these distances change through the projected period?

*Yes, but because there are 12 guiding principals so #5 cannot be the only consideration. The main goal is to distribute the students equitably while making our best effort to adhere to the guiding principals.*

- 5) Hough is only .3 miles from Grove. To minimize the domino effect, why can't Rose students move directly to Hough?

*Because of the number of students being moved out of Rose, and the fact that we would like to keep neighborhoods together, it would be very difficult to make a direct move into Hough.*

- 6) There obviously will be a shift in students. Will the children that are moving have a chance to get to know their new school before they get there?

*Absolutely, the administration is currently working on a transition plan which will provide opportunities for both students and parents to get to know their new school communities.*

- 7) Is the goal to have this new attendance boundary decided and in effect for the next school year?

*The GOAL is to have it in place for 08/09.*

- 8) What happens to the new development by Toll Brothers north of Penny Road? Will they be going to Rose or Grove?

*Currently, the developing area north of Penny is zoned for Rose. We are getting projections for that area and will make a recommendation regarding those new homes after analyzing the data.*

- 9) Will there be another meeting such as this, for continued discussion seeing as how we cannot possibly cover every question tonight?

*There is an opportunity for public comment at every EMC meeting. We will not have another public forum, but once we have made our presentation to the Board, they will probably have another public forum before making a final decision.*