

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 10.4

Meeting Date: November 17, 2016

Subject: AM Winn Elementary School Boundary Change

Information Item Only
Approval on Consent Agenda
Conference (for discussion only)
Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: December 8, 2016)
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Action
Public Hearing

Division: Deputy Superintendent

Recommendation: To remove the boundary for AM Winn and create an open enrollment school.

<u>Background/Rationale</u>: After a year of community study during the 2011-12 school year, SCUSD's Design Team recommended that AM Winn become a Waldorf-inspired program. The program was approved by the Board of Education in June of 2012, and Waldorf training and instruction began with Kindergarten and has added one grade per year since then. Included in the Design Team recommendation was the proposal that the school become an open enrollment school when the Waldorf program moved into the intermediate grades. Making AM Winn an open enrollment school would allow all neighborhood families the ability to choose the program and also allow access to other interested families as well.

Financial Considerations: N/A

<u>LCAP Goal(s)</u>: College, Career and Life Ready Graduates; Family and Community Empowerment

Documents Attached:

1. Executive Summary

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minute presentation

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Approved by: Lisa Allen, Deputy Superintendent

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I. OVERVIEW / HISTORY

Between March, 2011, and January, 2012, the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education received regular updates on the Design Team work at AM Winn. As a result, the Board took action to open a Waldorf-inspired program on the AM Winn campus for the fall of 2012. Waldorf education was introduced at the Kindergarten level that fall to advance one grade level per year. The boundary for the school remained in place, but the implementation timeline proposed that the school become Open Enrollment when the Waldorf classes entered the intermediate grades. The existing boundary would be redistributed to Abraham Lincoln and James Marshall elementary schools. This would allow all neighborhood families the ability to choose the Waldorf program while ensuring each child is assigned a spot at a traditional neighborhood school as well.

II. DRIVING GOVERNANCE

BP 5116 - School Attendance Boundaries

The Governing Board shall regularly review school attendance boundaries, taking into Account school capacities and enrollment data, geographic features, student safety and transportation, racial and ethnic balance, educational programs and community input.

III. BUDGET

N/A

IV. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND MEASURES

The SCUSD Board of Education voted on June 14, 2011 to establish a Waldorf-inspired program at AM Winn. An Open Enrollment process needs to be established for the school to ensure that parents, who live within the current boundary but are looking for a traditional neighborhood school, have equitable access to a school. This would also allow families who are desirous of a Waldorf education the opportunity for their child to attend AM Winn through SCUSD's Open Enrollment process. All existing AM Winn students will be grandfathered into the school.

V. MAJOR INITIATIVES

Continue district progress in identifying school boundaries for prospective SCUSD students.

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VI. RESULTS

Establish the Open Enrollment process for AM Winn Waldorf, and redistribute the existing boundary area between Abraham Lincoln and James Marshall.

VII. LESSONS LEARNED / NEXT STEPS

Next Steps:

- Add AM Winn to the Open Enrollment process for SCUSD, and begin advertising prior to Kindergarten registration, from January 17 through January 31st, and the Open Enrollment period for elementary, scheduled for February 7th through February 21st.
- Schedule meetings for interested parents to learn more about the Waldorf program and instructional practices.
- Establish and advertise the new boundaries for Abraham Lincoln and James Marshall, and notify impacted communities.
- Add Abraham Lincoln and James Marshall addresses to the SCUSD's school locator to better assist prospective families.

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