

School Start Times Advisory Committee

Transportation and Traffic Subcommittee

Date of meeting
September 17, 2018
4-5pm

Location of meeting
Third Floor Conference Room

Minutes

Miriam Goodman called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

Members Attendance:

Miriam Goodman - present
Monica Linden - present
Jen DeBaggis - present
Diana Taylor - absent
William Olbrys - present

Approval of minutes

Minutes from the May 1, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved. (motion by M Linden, second by J DeBaggis)

Discussion points

Discussion ensued regarding differing start times that the full committee suggested and the impact of each of these suggested times. M Goodman met with Holmes Bus Co. to discuss the current options that the full committee discussed. All would result in cost increases due to the inability to continue use of partial day buses. Two of the options would require 20 additional buses. This would be at a cost of approximately \$58,000 per bus. Holmes needs a 30 minute window between tiers in order to maintain the number of buses being used. Without the 30 minutes, additional buses would be needed.

Two other options were suggested by Holmes Bus Co. with the assumption that elementary students, middle school students, and FHS students would each be transported on a separate tier:

Model E: Elementary Starts First, then MS, then HS

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	8:00 AM	2:10 PM
Middle Schools	8:30 AM	3:00 PM
High School	9:00 AM	3:30 PM

Model F: MS/HS Shift slightly later; Elementary after

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	9:10 AM	3:20 PM
Middle Schools	7:45 AM	2:15 PM
High School	8:15 AM	2:45 PM

These options might each result in a savings of approximately \$350,000. The BFCCPS is still an unknown cost at this time based on their move within Franklin. M Goodman to meet with Sara Ahern and the head of the Charter school to gain a better understanding of the Charter school's plans going forward.

The committee further discussed some additional models as listed below. M Goodman will discuss the impact of transportation with Holmes Bus Co. based on each of these options and report back to the subcommittee at the next meeting.

Model E2: MS/HS Shift Later; Elementary Starts First

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	7:45 AM	1:55 PM
Middle Schools	8:15 AM	2:45 PM
High School	8:45 AM	3:15 PM

Model E4: Elementary Starts First, HS/MS shift later

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	8:00 AM	2:10 PM
Middle Schools	9:00 AM	3:30 PM

High School	8:30 AM	3:00 PM
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Model E5: Earlier times (same as E2): Elementary Starts First, HS/MS shift later

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	7:45 AM	1:55 PM
Middle Schools	8:45 AM	3:15 PM
High School	8:15 AM	2:45 PM

Model E: (Revised Model A)

School Level	Proposed Start Time	Proposed Dismissal Time
Elementary Schools	8:00 AM	2:10 PM
Middle Schools	8:30 AM	3:00 PM
High School	8:45 AM	3:15 PM

Recommendations to full advisory committee

None at this time

Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:23 pm (motion by M Goodman, second by J. DeBaggis)