

Meeting Notes  
Education Task Force  
5pm Wednesday, 5 November 2014  
Northwood & High Building, mezzanine  
Golding [E], McElroy [P], Odden [P]

Odden took notes.

We discussed the current and future composition of this task force, and concluded that although Commissioner McElroy's term is ending, we expect he'll make a real contribution through continued involvement and will provide Weinland Park-specific expertise and perspective.

We discussed goals. McElroy: More schools, and more effective schools and more paths to success. Odden: Understanding demographic trends in the city as well as in the Area, and whether the Area is on a similar or different trajectory from the city in terms of family formation -- assess trajectory of demand, and need to be explicit that out-migration from the neighborhood by both parents of young children and prospective parents is a reflection of frustrated demand for childhood educational resources.

We agreed upon assembling data about the following: the historical process leading up to the current K-12 situation in the Area; specific, discrete data on available schools and other education-relevant conditions in the Area; stakeholder desires and vision regarding K-12 education in the Area.

We discussed feeder patterns and trajectories for students in the Area's constituent neighborhoods. Acknowledged need to review known physical assets in, and/or serving, the Area. eg North High, Indianola Middle. Concluded that this information is a critical component toward understanding current conditions.

Discussed parents' / prospective parents' out-migration from the neighborhood due to lack of nearby schools. - At what child ages / school levels do parents out-migrate? - Given the ages at which people migrate *into* the area, is preschool and/or infant/toddler care a necessary part of the picture?

What does the route look like for a kindergartener proceeding through CCS living in the District?

- What's the expectation of where they're coming out at age 18?
  - School board and superintendent's perspective.

Want to know: How will Columbus City Schools respond to increased growth in this most densely-packed part of the city?

Tentatively planned next meeting for 1st Wednesday in December @ 5pm.

Adjourned 5:55pm.