

McLean Citizens Association Resolution McLean-Langley Boundary Change March 6, 2019

Whereas, according to the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), a school with a student population equal to or greater than 115% of the building's capacity is considered to have a "substantial capacity deficit," and a school with less than 85% capacity is considered to have a "capacity surplus;" and

Whereas, according to the FCPS FY2020-2024 CIP, by the School Year (SY)2023-2024, McLean High School is projected to be at 126% capacity, and Langley High School is projected to be at a 79% capacity; and

Whereas, according to the FCPS FY2020-2024 CIP, by SY2023-2024, McLean High School is projected to have the highest capacity deficit among all high schools in FCPS, and Langley High School is projected to have the highest capacity surplus among all FCPS high schools; and

Whereas, McLean High School is the only high school in FCPS with a projected SY2023-2024 substantial capacity deficit without a FCPS CIP plan; and

Whereas, McLean High School's middle school feeder is Longfellow Middle School, and Langley High School's middle school feeder is Cooper Middle School; and

Whereas, similar to McLean High School, Longfellow Middle School does not have a FCPS CIP plan; and

Whereas, both the high school and middle school in the McLean High School pyramid are projected to be at a capacity deficit by SY2023-2024 but do not have a plan in the FCPS FY2020-2024 CIP, while both the high school and middle school in the Langley High School pyramid are projected to be at capacity or at capacity surplus; and

Whereas, according to the FCPS FY2020-2024 CIP, Cooper Middle School renovation is scheduled to be completed FY2023; and

Whereas, at 114% capacity in SY2018-2019, McLean High School is facing difficult management challenges that include, but are not limited to: increasing number of teachers without dedicated classrooms, allocating resources for multi-use classroom requirements that would not be required under normal capacity, increasing class sizes, purchasing furniture to accommodate the number of students in classrooms, and increasing safety issues (*e.g.*, trailer security issues, school access issues).

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the McLean Citizens Association recommends that the FCPS Board immediately initiate a review of McLean High School and Langley

High School boundaries, including their respective feeder middle schools, for changes that would optimize capacities at both high schools; and

Be it further resolved that the McLean Citizens Association urges the FCPS Board to initiate the boundary study and complete the boundary transition as soon as possible but no later than SY2021-2022; and

Be it further resolved that the McLean Citizens Association encourages the FCPS Board to:

- 1. Identify appropriate areas that will transition from McLean High School to Langley High School, including their respective feeder middle schools; and
- 2. Assure that the boundary transition establishes optimal or appropriate utilization at both Langley High School and McLean High Schools, as well as Cooper Middle School and Longfellow Middle School.

Approved by the MCA Board of Directors March 6, 2019

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