

# South Middle School Steering Committee

## Meeting #1 Notes

January 21, 2017

1. Additional data/information requested by committee members (Note: blue font explains where the data can be found in the PPT from the 2<sup>nd</sup> steering committee meeting held on 2/11/17)

### General

- Demographics in general, i.e., baby boomers vs families moving in and out of district – Slides 3, 4
- Enrollment by grade level – Slides 7, 8
- Percentage increase/decrease of enrollment and population from 2014-now – Slides 3, 4, 9-12
- Breakdown/trends of school aged children – Slides 3, 4
- Are you able to get private school enrollment data? – We do not have this data
- What is the capacity for adding students in HS buildings in KC? I'm wondering this because I'm thinking about where the MS kids could go next. Families don't want to have so many decision points.
- Maybe we can have a private FB group as an organizing platform for all committee members
- Like to look at the data/feasibility info collected around a Lincoln Middle School
- We need to start having courageous conversations about race and how it plays into the divide

### Enrollment Dept

- Are there any "exit" surveys for students leaving the district? Slide 16
- Would like to discuss what it does to district when schools have different cut offs (end @ 6<sup>th</sup> grade, some start at @6<sup>th</sup> grade, etc.)
- If we are losing children is it a curve or migration? If migration, where? Is it across all grades? Slides 3, 4, 9-12
- Reduction in overall enrollment from 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade. From which schools? Slides 9-12
- Where did the 100 Central Middle Schoolers who left in 2017 go to? Slide 16
- How many 6<sup>th</sup> graders enroll in Lincoln each year and what's Lincoln's 6<sup>th</sup> grade capacity? Slide 9

### Survey

- Do parents prefer the tiny charter class size vs 450 – 800 sized schools? Slide 18
- Survey respondents grading of neighborhood schools differentiated by where their child actually attends school – Slide 17
- Breakdown of all school choices by type (grades contained, # of students in each grade, include private if possible) – Slide 8
- Survey results of all parents of kids in KCPS and/or elementary aged kids – what % could give ratings? Slide 17
- Definition of school types used in the survey – Slide 20

2. Who else should serve on steering committee

- CCO
- Maybe invite Presidents of other Homes Associations in the District
- Businesses + Realtors