

Brevard Public Schools

# Board Redistricting

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# Agenda

1. Summary of Engagement Meetings
2. Possible Redistricting Criteria and Engagement Options
3. County Commission Boundaries
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5. Public Engagement
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# Summary of Engagement Meetings

- District 4 Board Chair Matthew Susin
- District 1 Board Vice-Chair Megan Wright
- District 2 Board Member Gene Trent
- District 3 Board Member Jennifer Jenkins
- District 5 Board Member Katye Campbell
- Supervisor of Elections Tim Bobanic

# Possible Redistricting Criteria and Engagement Options

- Board members were asked the same questions about
  - Their district
  - Redistricting priorities and criteria
  - Public engagement
- Each member raised unique concerns and possible redistricting criteria

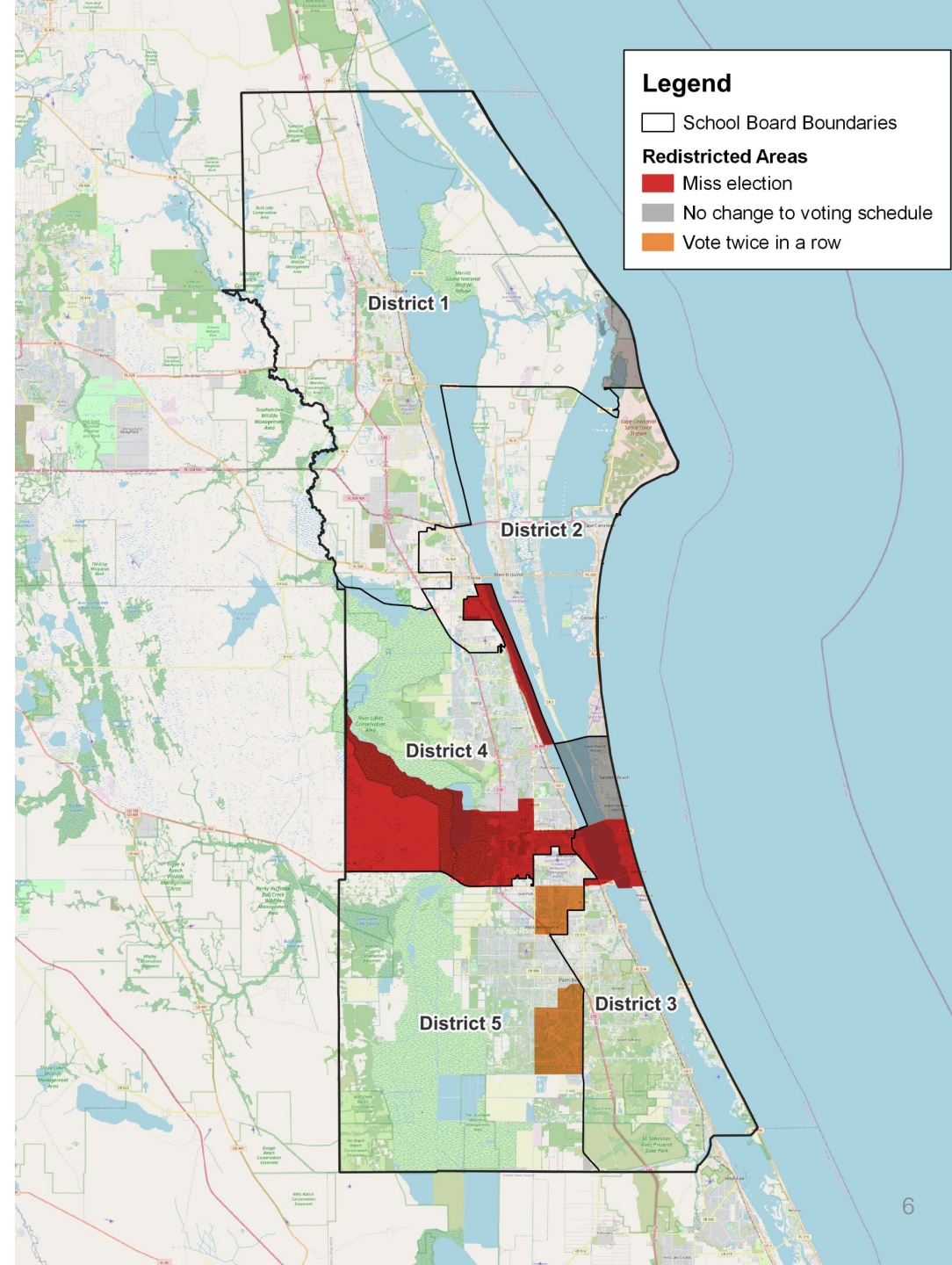
# Possible Redistricting Criteria and Engagement Options

Criteria	Not a priority / opposed	Neutral or weak priority	Strong priority
Minimum necessary population balancing		1	4
Equal distribution of students			3
Diversity of household socioeconomic status			3
Alignment to County Commission boundaries	2		3
Public comment web tool	1		3
Equal distribution of family households			2
Balanced for future growth	1	2	2
Number of schools	2	1	2
School levels and types	2		2
Balance of Title I schools	1	1	2
Compactness or "simple shapes"	1	1	2
Alignment to community boundaries	1		2
Minimize people affected			2
Virtual engagement		1	2
More engagement if significant changes are made			2
Number of registered voters	1		1
Each district includes beachside schools	2		1
Alignment to major corridors			1
Avoid voter disenfranchisement (missed elections)		1	1
Account for member residences	2	2	1
Balance of charter schools	4		
Alignment to attendance boundaries	2	3	
Increase number of districts to 7	5		
In-person engagement	3	2	

- Board members were *not* asked to assign a priority to the criteria
- The consultant team summarized what we heard
- If a criteria has fewer than five mentions, not all members raised the issue

# County Commission Boundaries

- Displace two current Board members from their current districts
  - One member remains a Board member until 2024 but resides out of district
  - One member remains a Board member until 2026 but resides out of district
- Impact some voters in short term (miss 2022 and 2024 School Board elections)
- Makes number of schools more unbalanced across districts
- May provide more consistency for voters



# Discussion with Supervisor of Elections

## Key takeaways:

- Reduces number of ballot *types* but still required to print same number of ballots
- Supervisor of Elections (SOE) must send out new voter cards regardless of which boundaries are adopted
- SOE reviews precincts regularly
- Growth can impact precincts and polling places
- Align to existing precincts as best as possible
- If it is not possible to align to existing precincts, align to 2020 Decennial Census Blocks

# Public Engagement

## Key takeaways:

- Extensive engagement process deemed unnecessary
- If engagement is conducted, it should be virtual
- Value in webtool is recognized
- Engagement deemed more important if
  - New districts are going to be very different
  - Voters would vote twice in a row or not for six years



# Possible Scopes

Task	Option 1	Option 2
<b>Redistricting</b>		
Analysis of County Commission boundaries	✓	✓
<u>Scenario 1</u> : Minimum change to existing School Board boundaries in order to balance population	✓	✓
<u>Scenario 2</u> : More significant boundary changes balancing member priorities	✗	✓
Board workshop and round of boundary edits	✓	✓
<b>Engagement</b>		
Virtual meeting facilitation	✗	✓ Two meetings
Virtual meeting Zoom support	✗	✓ Two meetings
Interactive mapping tool	✓	✓
<b>Reporting</b>		
Redistricting report and engagement summary	✓	✓
<b>Timeline:</b> complete by end of	June '23	July '23
Adoption of resolution no later than	8/22/23	8/22/23
<b>Estimated cost</b>	<b>\$57,000</b>	<b>\$74,000</b>

# Proposed Timeline

- Redistricting analysis (May)
- Board workshop (one of 6/13/23, 6/27/23, 7/11/23, 7/27/23)
- Round of modifications to the scenario(s), if needed
- Engagement (June '23 and/or July '23)
  - Add scenario(s) to the public comment webtool and outreach through BPS channels
  - Web tool to be made available before the Board workshop
  - Conduct virtual meetings (Option 2)
- Deliver final redistricting + engagement memo
- Adoption of resolution no later than 8/22/23

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