

TRANSFER OF TERRITORY: Denair Schools at Risk

OVERVIEW of the Meeting

- Brief Recent History of Denair Schools
- Legal Considerations of the Petition
- Financial, Geographic and Educational Effects
- What Can YOU do?
- Questions and Answers

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS.....

- GREAT DECLINE IN ENROLLMENT
- GREAT RECESSION
- FISCAL DISTRESS
- DISCONTENT
- SACRIFICES

Today we Enjoy

- A quickly improving public image

Today we Enjoy

- Growing enrollment and popularity
- New schools and powerful programs
- The will and knowhow to compete and win
- An energized and talented school district
- A much healthier and balanced *but* fragile budget

Denair's Growth and Future is at Risk

- A change in school boundaries threatens to stifle enrollment and shortchange our finances for many years to come.

What is Transfer of Territory?

- Is it legal?
- How does it work?
- Meet our Legal Expert, Chelsea Olson



Effect of Transfer

- Not geographically reasonable or proper.



Effect of Transfer

- Artificially thwarts the natural development and growth of Denair Schools.
- Sets a precedent for further encroachment in future years. (Hey - what about past and future builders!)
- Diverts more than \$1 million in developer fees away from Denair schools to Turlock Unified.
- Diverts \$750,000, likely more, in annual revenue (ADA) from Denair schools to Turlock Unified.
- Economy of Scale unfairly punishes Denair schools.

Did you know? \$2 million is 1.5% of TUSD's budget
BUT

It's **22%** of DUSD's budget!

- Denies Denair schools of the growth and revenue to which it is entitled, and which is essential to the financial health and much needed expansion of school programs.

What can YOU do?

- Show Support by attending the hearing in Denair on October 28th
- Speak at the Hearing in Denair on October 28th, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the DUSD Leadership/Board Room
- Speak at the hearing in Turlock on October 28th, 2015 at 5:00 PM at the TUSD Professional Development Center
- Send me your position letters



Heartland of America

- Rural schools matter, small schools count, and all schools, if given a *fair* chance, can make a powerful and positive difference in the life of a child.