SW Boundary Public Hearing
Notes Summarizing Input from September 11, 2003

Straight Questions and Answers

The new school will be opened with a traditional calendar. All other schools included in this boundary decision will continue on their currently adopted schedules. Traditional schedule schools include Painted Sky, Carlos Rey, Chaparral, and Lavaland. Year round schools are Mary Ann Binford and Susie Rayos Marmon. Year round school is a school-based decision managed by Policy Directive entitled Alternative Calendars. This directive is posted at www.aps.edu.

A walk zone is defined by state transportation rules as one mile “as the child walks.” All others outside that walk zone are eligible for busing.

This boundary decision will not change middle school boundaries.

Compiled Comments which the SW Boundary Committee Will Consider at it’s Next Meeting

Comments about grandfathering, transfers, and year-round
Mom with daughter – now 4th grade, but assigned to new school. Will grandfathering be available?

Both Lavaland and the new school are traditional schedule schools.

Parent at a year round school: Can Lavaland handle the proposed numbers? The proposal takes into account students who are already transferring to Lavaland from a geographic area close to Lavaland but now in the Susie Rayos Marmon attendance area.

Can daughter remain at year-round school? Committee will identify pros and cons of recommending that current students remain.

Facility and Support Comments/Observations

Lavaland capacity is lower than the number of students proposed. All other school’s numbers are within capacity. Have you thought about Lavaland’s capacity?

Building design committee member for new school commented that the new school is gorgeous. Both phases are being built at the same time.

Kudos were extended to transportation.