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• Multiple inter-district transfer permit requests, e.g. 20 for 9<sup>th</sup> grade alone, which is challenging for scheduling although it does (when there is room) provide ADA funding.

Beery mentioned the BFT contract language and class sizes.

The question was asked as to whether the District could add more FTE? (Glimme later clarified that FTE is acronym for full-time equivalents.) Scuderi noted that it is very difficult as time passes, especially if it unduly disrupts high school student schedules, and it was important to make a student-centered decision that would allow schedules to stabilize.

Glimme added that Berkeley High has had low class sizes; last year was anomalous.

Beery noted that considering trends, progress is being made to balanced class sizes at the elementary school. Most school sites are already close to the average 23 target.

A demographic study done in 2015 predicted a great influx of students which did not materialize. Superintendent Evans added that there had even been thought of turning the Administration building into an elementary

because there is so much going on that evening, it's difficult to get attention for the elections. While the elementary and middle schools have back-to-school nights which take place early enough to build interest, BHS doesn't have such a platform.

- Going forward, the BSEP office will provide more assistance in running the Berkeley High elections as well as return them to online voting.
- It has been suggested that elections be held another time of year, such as May, but this makes it difficult to figure out how to include incoming families at K, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. California Ed Code prohibits reserving seats for incoming students.
- Principals prefer extended election period rather than Spring elections
- Sometimes slates of candidates make the SGCs too large.

safety plan information. Nate, a firefighter parent at Jefferson, was also mentioned a someone who could be of assistance.

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