

MEETING MINUTES

Milton Secondary School Boundary Review
Boundary Review Committee Meeting #9



MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

IN ATTENDANCE

Board Staff

Aaron Lofts	Superintendent, Business Services and Treasurer of the Board
Ryan Merrick	Superintendent, Facility Management Services
Branko Vidovic	Senior Manager, Planning Services
Dhilan Gunasekara	Planning Officer, Planning Services
Claudia Palucci	Planning Clerk, Planning Services

Board Guests

Pat Daly	Director of Education
Marvin Duarte	Vice-Chair of the Board
Patrick Murphy	Trustee – Milton
Justine O'Grady	Bishop P.F. Reding CSS
Katharine Stevenson	St. Francis Xavier CSS
Mark Freeman	St. Francis Xavier CSS
Marisa Munro	St. Francis Xavier CSS
Josey Guerin	St. Benedict CES
Viviana Varano	Our Lady of Fatima CES

Parent Representatives

BISHOP P.F. REDING CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL
Pat Grisoni

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Ann-Marie Vis

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Mark Billy

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Francine Countryman
Tanya Ferreira

ST. PETER CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Jessica Macias
Marc LeBrun

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

Trish Vergata

GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Natalie Russell
Jennifer Santos

LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Michelle Bazinet

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

John Babos

QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Katarina Busija

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Bryan DeSousa

ST. SCHOLASTICA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Lisa Paulo-Alberto

OPENING PRAYER & HONOURING LAND & TERRITORY

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Superintendent Merrick and honoured the land and Territory of the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation.

WELCOME, HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS, AND MEETING GOALS

Superintendent Merrick welcomed all parent volunteers to the committee and proceeded into addressing the housekeeping items for the meeting.

The SBRC approved the SBRC Working Meeting #8 meeting minutes, which will be posted on the public website ([click here](#)). No changes were requested by the SBRC.

Superintendent Merrick reviewed the Goals of the meeting, which were:

- 1) Review Impact of Ministry Funding Announcement.
- 2) Review Feedback Survey for Interim Accommodation Options.
- 3) Identify a preferred and alternate Interim Accommodation Plan.
- 4) Review and reach consensus on an option to present at Virtual PIM #2
- 5) Provide update on timelines.
- 6) Next Steps.

MILTON #3 CSS and #10 CES: MINISTRY FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

D. Gunasekara, Planning Officer, informed the committee that on July 24, 2020, the Ministry of Education announced the list of capital projects that were approved for funding. They are as follows:

- Priority #1: Milton #3 Catholic Secondary School
- Priority #2: Milton #10 Catholic Elementary School

We are now in a position to proceed to the Ministry approval process.

Interim Accommodation Survey Results: General Summary

- Survey opened on June 5 and closed on June 14 at 11:59pm
- A total of 2,269 individuals visited the Interim Accommodation Survey webpage
- There were two (2) peaks when the survey was launched and when a reminder was provided on June 12
- Total of 449 respondents completed the survey, the vast majority being Parents/Guardians
- The total number of respondents equates to at minimum 725 students, based on the sum of total number of respondents by grade for parents/guardians and students
- Of all respondents, 60.9% (n=60) were located within the ultimate boundaries proposed in Option A for Milton #3 CSS
- 76.8% of the responses were provided by Parents/Guardians with students in the areas primarily affected by the review (OLF, GUAR, St. Francis Xavier)
- 92.3% of the responses were provided by students living in areas primarily affected by the review (OLF, GUAR, St. Francis Xavier)

Interim Accommodation Survey Results: Lester B. Pearson

- 58.0% (n=253) of respondents did not support interim accommodation at Lester B. Pearson.
- Of those respondents that indicated that their home address fell within the proposed Ultimate School Boundary for Milton #3 CSS and will be in Grade 9/10 in the 2021-22 school year, 75.3% (n=116) did not support interim accommodation at Lester B. Pearson.
- Of those respondents that indicated that they/their children will attend St. Francis Xavier CSS in the 2021-22 school year, 62.7% (n=42) support interim accommodation at Lester B. Pearson.

Interim Accommodation Survey Results: Choice #2 and #3

- 64.0% (n=272) of respondents preferred holding students at E.C. Drury Holding School than the 6-period day at St. Francis Xavier CSS.
- Of those respondents that indicated that their home address fell within the proposed Ultimate School Boundary for Milton #3 CSS and will be in Grade 9/10 in the 2021-22 school year, 52.6% (n=80) preferred E.C. Drury Holding School.
- Of those respondents that indicated that they/their children will attend St. Francis Xavier CSS in the 2021-22 school year, 82.8% (n=53) preferred E.C. Drury Holding School.

Theme 1: Desire to keep students in Milton

- 45% (n=68) of comments were related to this theme.
- Respondents mentioned lengthy bus rides to Burlington the potential safety risks associated with longer bus routes and winter conditions, inability to get to and from Burlington easily for appointments, work etc., and wanting to create a sense of community within students' hometown.

Theme 2: 6-period day at St. Francis Xavier CSS is not a viable option

- 24% (n=36) of comments were related to this theme.
- Respondents concerned with the safety issues, scheduling conflicts and overpopulation associated with a 6-period day at St. Francis Xavier CSS.

Theme 3: Disapproval of the multiple school transitions

- 14% (n=21) of comments were related to this theme.
- Respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the potential for students to change high schools multiple times.

MILTON #10 CES: ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION OPTION

A New Alternative Plan

School Concept Profile

- Milton #10 CES is planned to be comprised of a 671-pupil place elementary school with 12 portable classrooms.
- Total of up to 42 potential classrooms on site.
- Possible that the school could be ready by January 2022.
- This school could accommodate the Grade 9 students for the 2021-22 school year, and Grade 9-10 for the 2022-23 school year.
- Municipality is reviewing if using Milton #10 as a secondary school is feasible.
- Should we pursue this option as an alternative plan?

E.C. DRURY SCHOOL: ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION OPTION UPDATE

- Board has undertaken discussions with the Ontario Provincial School and it has been determined that this option is no longer a viable option.

ROUNDTABLE: ACCOMMODATION OPTION SELECTION

- Do we need to make any changes to Option A as the preferred ultimate boundary?
- Are there any themes that the Committee would like to bring to the forefront?
- What are the take-aways that need to be carried forward?
- What interim accommodation option are we moving forward with?
 - The committee is in agreement to use Milton #10 CES as a holding school for Milton #3 CSS.
 - Lester B. Pearson will be used as holding school until Milton #10 CES is ready. Current anticipated opening for the Milton #10 CES facility is between January 2022 to March 2022, but additional approvals are required to initiate construction.

VPIM #2 OVERVIEW: FINAL PUBLIC MEETING

Next Steps

B. Vidovic, Senior Manager, Planning Services, reviewed the process for the Virtual Information Session as follows:

- Staff to present as part of YouTube Live event the SBRC recommended ultimate accommodation options, and the two (2) interim accommodation options.
- The live event is to be followed by a survey to the community for feedback on the presented recommended options.
- The SBRC recommendation will then be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration and approval.
- Feedback received through the Virtual Information Session will form part of the Board Report and will be considered in the Board decision.
- An opportunity to delegate is also available.

What to Expect:

- Live YouTube Event
- Presentation will cover preferred options for interim and ultimate accommodation plans.
- Opportunity to submit questions in advance (via Question Portal), to be answered by the presenters at the meeting.
- On-line Feedback Portal to follow.
- Questions portal for SBRC will be available.

SBRC Roles

- Attend the Virtual Information Session Live Event.
- Assist staff in responding to questions submitted online.

REVIEW PROCESS & FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

The meeting dates are as follows:

SBRC Working Meeting #1	February 10, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #2	February 27, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #3	March 11, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #4 - Virtual	April 20, 2020
Virtual Public Meeting #1	April 24, 2020
Launch of Survey - Online	April 24, 2020
Close Survey – Online	May 4, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #5 – Virtual	May 13, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #6 - Virtual	May 20, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #7 - Virtual	May 28, 2020
Feedback Survey #2 - Launch	June 5, 2020
Feedback Survey #2 - Closes	June 14, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #8 – Virtual	August 11, 2020
SBRC Working Meeting #9 – Virtual	October 7, 2020
Virtual Public Meeting #2	October 14, 2020
Staff Report	November 3, 2020
Delegations	November 3 & 17, 2020
Action Report	November 17, 2020

Further changes to the schedule and format of meetings will be communicated to the SBRC as they become available.

UPCOMING MILESTONES & LOCATIONS

Virtual Public Meeting #2 October 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M.