

MEETING MINUTES

Milton Catholic Elementary Boundary Review
to Accommodate French Immersion Expansion
Working Meeting #3



MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
Virtual Teams Meeting

IN ATTENDANCE

Board Staff

Emi Bakaic	Superintendent of Education
Jeff Crowell	Superintendent, Curriculum Services
Ryan Merrick	Superintendent, Facility Management Services
Branko Vidovic	Senior Manager, Planning Services
Dhilan Gunasekara	Planning Officer, Planning Services

Board Guests

Pat Daly	Director of Education
Marvin Duarte	Vice Chair of the Board
Josey Guerin	Principal, St. Benedict CES
Aaron Lofts	Superintendent, Business Services
Blaine McCauley	Vice Principal, St. Peter CES
Lisa MacLennan	Vice Principal, St. Scholastica CES
Patrick Murphy	Chair of the Board
Marie Murad	Principal, Holy Rosary CES
Claudia Palucci	Planning and Enrolment Clerk, Planning Services
Katarina Panzer	Planning Officer, Planning Services
Erin Scannell	Vice Principal, St. Anthony of Padua CES
Rudy Stawarek	GIS/Junior Planning Officer
Viviana Varano	Principal, Our Lady of Fatima CES

Parent Representatives

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mark Billy

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ST. PETER CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Marc LeBrun
Matthew Salvaterra

GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Jennifer Santos

LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Nikola Blair

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

John Babos

QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Bryan DeSousa
Kylie Dillon

ST. SCHOLASTICA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Rosie Ogang

OPENING PRAYER

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Superintendent Bakaic.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Superintendent Bakaic welcomed all parent volunteers to the committee and reviewed the meeting etiquette.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SBRC Meeting Minutes to be Reviewed

- SBRC Working Meeting #1 Minute Approvals
- SBRC Working Meeting #2 Minute Approvals

Amendments, additions approval

- Are there any changes that the SBRC is requesting prior to approving the minutes?

Superintendent Bakaic asked the SBRC if there were any amendments or additions to the minutes. Minutes from the SBRC Working Meeting #1 and Working Meeting #2 were approved by the SBRC.

MEETING AGENDA AND GOALS

Superintendent Merrick went over the meeting format and agenda and provided an overview of the meeting goals. The SBRC will revisit the options from the last meeting and additional options that were added. A quick overview will be presented for each option, and the SBRC can review the options in detail on their own before the next meeting where the options will be discussed again. Keep questions to clarifying questions. Bring back thoughts and comments to the next meeting, and they will be discussed in detail.

Today's Meeting Goals

Option Details

- Review each of the options provided to accommodate the expanded FI program in further detail.
- Ask clarifying questions on each option.
- Prepare for discussion on each of the options at the next SBRC working meeting.

Overview of Types of Options

The types of options are:

- Dual-track Schools with FI Boundary Changes (Options A & B)
- Dual-track Schools with RT and FI Boundary Changes (Options C & D)
- Single-track FI School (Option E)

Superintendent Merrick reviewed the details of the option types. Based on feedback from Working Meeting #2, nine (9) more options were added. B. Vidovic, Senior Manager, Planning Services and D. Gunasekara, Planning Officer, Planning Services will provide a high-level overview of these additional options.

BOUNDARY TYPES DISCUSSION

Continuation of Discussion from Working Meeting #2

- Is there anything else to add to the notes from the last meeting for each of the option types?

The notes from Working Meeting #2 were reviewed and there was an opportunity to add to the notes or ask questions. No questions were asked for option types A and B, C and D or E.

Questions Considered

- What are the pros and cons of this boundary option to accommodate the FI program?
- Should this option type be removed?
- Are there any other option types that you would like to review for the next meeting?

BOUNDARY REVIEW CRITERIA

Criteria to consider when reviewing Options

- Optimizing the use of existing school facilities
- Minimizing the use of portable classrooms whenever possible
- To the extent possible, minimizing school boundary adjustments over the long-term
- Optimize the cost-effective use of school transportation and maximizing walking to school
- Ensure that classroom organizations are sustainably sized to meet Ministry loading requirements and appropriate size to foster an ideal learning environment
- To the extent possible, give due consideration to the concept of a neighbourhood and Catholic School community

B. Vidovic, Senior Manager, Planning Services reviewed the Boundary Review Criteria to keep in mind when reviewing the options.

TYPE OF OPTIONS TO ACCOMMODATE FI PROGRAM

Overview of Types of Options

- Dual-track Schools with FI Boundary Changes (Options A & B)
- Dual-track Schools with RT and FI Boundary Changes (Options C & D)
- Single-track FI School (Option E)

B. Vidovic, Senior Manager, Planning Services and D. Gunasekara, Planning Officer, Planning Services reviewed the options and what they would mean for each school involved.

At the last meeting, the potential for using Milton #10 CES as a single-track French Immersion school was brought up by the SBRC. Option E1, using Milton #10 CES as a single-track French Immersion school, was developed for the Committee. However, further research by staff suggested that using the new Milton #10 CES for a single-track French Immersion school may pose problems.

USE OF NEWLY FUNDED SCHOOLS

Ministry Funding for Schools

- The Ministry of Education specifies that capital projects to address a specialized or alternative program such as French Immersion is considered ineligible for capital funding. The Board cannot request funding to build a new school to accommodate only a specialized program.
- The Board requested funding for Milton #10 CES to address enrolment growth due to students from new development in the area in its business case.
- The use of Milton #10 CES solely for optional French Immersion programming may impact future Board capital projects, such as Milton #9 CES, and result in an imbalance in enrolment between Milton #10 CES and St. Scholastica CES as only one school accepts all of the growth in Regular Track enrolment in Boyne.

HOMEWORK: BOUNDARY OPTIONS REVIEW

Review Boundary Options

- Parent representatives are asked to review all of the options and make notes for discussion at the May 13, 2021 SBRC Working Meeting.
- Provided with a fillable PDF notetaking form.
- Can create multiple copies of the form for each option.
- Breakout group discussions to take place for the options at the next meeting. Parent representatives were randomly assigned to a group. You may discuss the options with your group prior to May 13.

Questions to Consider

- How well does this option meet the six criteria?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses of each boundary option to accommodate the FI program?
- Are there any suggested changes to this option?

BREAKOUT ROOM GROUPS FOR MAY 13

Group 1 (E)		Group 2 (A&B)		Group 3 (C&D)	
Alisha Gillen	HLRM	Marc LeBrun	PETE	Paul Kim	ANTH
Mark Billy	OLVM	John Babos	OLFA	Matthew Salvaterra	PETE
Jennifer Santos	GUAR	Michelle Bitmanis	QUEN	Tonia Sgro-Madrack	OLFA
Nikola Blair	LUMN	Bryan DeSousa	BENE	Kylie Dillon	BENE
		Rosie Ogang	SCHO	Tanya Palermo	SCHO

NEXT STEPS: SBRC MEETING #4 & PUBLIC MEETING #1

SBRC Working Meeting #4: Option Review, Development & Refinement

- Review & Discuss School Boundary Options
- Working session to add, refine, remove Options
- Select Options to present to the public for feedback

Additional SBRC Working Meeting

- An additional meeting can be scheduled for May 20, 2021 if more time is required to shortlist options for public feedback.

Public Meeting #1: Present SBRC Preferred Options for Community Feedback

- Format of meeting TBD

SCHOOL BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**Tentative Schedule of the SBR Process**

SBRC Working Meeting #1	March 18, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #2	April 8, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #3	April 29, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #4	May 13, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting (additional)	May 20, 2021
Public Meeting #1	June 3, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #5	June 24, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #6	July 22, 2021
Public Meeting #2	September 2, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting Final	October 7, 2021
Staff/Action Recommendation to Board (may include delegations)	Nov. to early Dec. 2021
New boundaries implemented	September 1, 2022

NEXT MEETING

Fourth Advisory School Boundary Review Committee Meeting
May 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Virtual Teams Meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:52 P.M.