

Greater Essex County District School Board PROGRAM AND ACCOMMODATION REVIEW FORSTER FAMILY AND CENTURY SCHOOLS

Monday, April 23, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Report of a committee meeting held in library at Dougall School



Attendance: Dave Garlick, Forster; Kristie McKim, Lisa Bastien, Cindy Mitchell, Century; Patti Oshar, Michelle Landry, Danielle Yaholnitsky, Benson; Mark Paterson, Sarah Gall, Brock; Jamie de l'Eveille, Taylor; Clayton Callow, Robin Fletcher, Dougall; Ron Brown, Michelle Dereniowski, Lisa Cunningham, Marlborough; John Howitt, Area Superintendent Forster Family

Regrets: Sharon Pyke, Area Superintendent for Century; Christine Inverarity, Debra Laforet,

Absence: Karen Albu, Christine van Lare, Petrina Baylis, Forster; Cindy Theriault, Taylor; Cindy Wark, Marlborough; Leonard Beza, Brock; MaryAnne Cuderman, community representative

Facilitator: Terry Lyons

Recorder: Lisa Scherer

There was one observer, who was a trustee.

THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS CONDUCTS A PARC STUDY OF THE FORSTER FAMILY OF SCHOOLS AND INCLUDE CENTURY DUE TO ITS GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION TO:

- i. **ADDRESS CAPACITY ISSUES AND AGING INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS WITHIN THE FORSTER FAMILY OF SCHOOLS**
- ii. **CONTINUE OUR INVESTIGATION FOR A PERMANENT FRENCH IMMERSION SITE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD DIRECTION FROM THE SOUTH WINDSOR PARC.**

1. **Call to Order and Welcome**

The meeting was called to order at 4:38 p.m. by the Chairperson, Sarah Gall thanking everyone for their attendance and Principal Callow for hosting the meeting.

2. **Review of minutes/Previous considerations**

The minutes of the March 28 meeting have been circulated to the committee. They are now posted to the Board website under the PARC icon.

Changes to those in attendance have been made in and the minutes are now posted on the website.

3. **Examination of advantages and challenges of brainstorming ideas**

Please refer to Number 4.

4. **Charting of ideas**

Discussion on Brainstorming ideas

Superintendent Lyons clarified Number 2 and 3 and informed the committee of the goal tonight.

Committee members were again reminded to be objective when developing ideas and to try to articulate and expand on ideas as they are offered.

See attachment: Brainstorming ideas

5. **Exploration of ideas leading to formulation of report**

The committee discussed at length all of the recommendations. Eight remained as the most viable for further review.

6. **Formation of report writing team**

The committee's draft report, with draft recommendations will be presented to the community on May 9. Principal Brown, Principal Garlick, Chairperson Sarah Gall and committee members Jamie de l'Eveille and Robin Fletcher have offered to help write the report.

7. Questions

What will be the enrolment at Tecumseh Vista?

- There will be 1200 students on 27 acreages.

Is there a formula for funding when building a new school?

- Elementary \$171.65 per square foot
- Secondary \$187.25 per square foot

Is it realistic to have a 1300 student population on 8 acres?

- When adding up population from different schools you have look at the structure and layout of the building.

What is the enrolment at Giles Campus French Immersion?

- There are currently 400 students registered, but we anticipate 600 students over the next 5 years.

Is there a square footage per pupil formula?

- Square footage per pupil is now a variable number based on pupil population. As an example, a 300 pupil place elementary school would be allowed 125.8 square foot per student and a 500 pupil place elementary school would be allowed 111.3 square foot per student.

How much does it cost to renovate a school?

- That all depends on the renovation.

Will parking be an issue at Century?

- Currently Century has three parking lots.

How many students are currently in French Immersion in the secondary panel?

- There are approximately 300 students.

Why do Dougall students feed into Forster and not Kennedy?

- Dougall students feeding into Forster occurred when Lowe closed. A number of reasons one of which was to help with enrolment.

Can the committee explore another community for the French Immersion site?

- The committee can explore that, but we need to need to find a site for this area which has been under serviced.

Is Marlborough or Forster on the heritage list?

- No

8. Next committee meeting

- Monday, April 30th, 2012

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Distribution:

Minutes of April 23rd meeting

Updated Brainstorming