

**6. Questions relating to the process**

Mr. Lyons offered the opportunity for anyone in the audience to come up to speak. He asked that they do not speak from their seat, please come up to the mike.

Question:

My daughter is going to be registered in JK. We live 5 houses from W.D. Lowe. We were turned down, how is that if McCallum is so overcrowded?

Mr. Lyons replied that this is not the forum to discuss this; it has nothing to do with the PARC. Giles campus has been set as a temporary location.

A parent voiced her concern about the overcrowding at McCallum issue again and stated that this should be an option that a parent could make, should be their decision.

**7. Closing Comments and Adjournment**

There being no further questions, Superintendent Lyons thanked everyone for coming. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

- Value to the Community
- Value to the Local Economy

Mr. Lyons reviewed significant dates. Tonight is the first of 4 meetings. This meeting was an introduction and to provide the opportunity to collect input and provide feedback.

Mr. Lyons again once again reminded the community of the process that the committee will follow. He emphasized that this is a collaborative process and the committee is not a decision making body, they will give their recommendations to the Director who then will meet with Senior Administration before submitting to the Trustees of the Board.

Superintendent Lyons stated that this is a public forum and minutes will be kept and then posted on the board website. Terry explained how to access this icon on our website. Future dates will be posted.

Cards were provided to be completed for anyone uncomfortable asking questions in public, and we will endeavor to reply promptly.

Mr. Lyons asked that the community to be respectful of others during public meetings and refrain from making derogatory remarks about other schools and students. It is anticipated that the public meetings should be no more than two hours in length.

The PARC Committee has already met twice, they will have 2 more meetings in March to review data and determine recommendations before next community meeting in April. There will be 4 public consultation meeting , this is the first one.

## 5. Future meeting dates

Go to our website on the front page and select PARC ICON – for Herman  
All information from this presentation is available on our website.

Three more public meetings:

Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. @ McCallum

Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. @ Davis

Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. @ Roseville

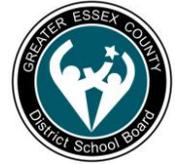
At the next meeting, School Information Profiles will be presented for each one of our schools. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting the committee will bring forward possible recommendations and ask for feedback. They will take that input and come back to the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting with a draft and seek final recommendations.

# Greater Essex County District School Board PROGRAM AND ACCOMMODATION REVIEW HERMAN FAMILY OF SCHOOLS

Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 7 p.m.

Report of Community Meeting 1 held at Coronation School

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THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS CONDUCTS A PARC STUDY OF THE HERMAN FAMILY OF SCHOOLS TO:

- i. ALLEVIATE OVER CAPACITY ENROLMENT AT McCALLUM
- ii. REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMPTY STUDENT SPACES AND IMPROVE THE UTILIZATION RATES WITHIN THE FAMILY OF SCHOOLS.

**Present:** W. Kennedy

There were approximately 34 persons in the audience including committee members

**Regrets :** Paul Antaya, Area Superintendent

**Facilitator:** Terry Lyons, Superintendent of Education

**Recorder:** Marie Belanger, Administrative Assistant to Area S.O.

## 1. Call to Order and Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Superintendent Lyons. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Debra Cooper, Principal of Coronation School.

Superintendent Lyons thanked everyone for coming this evening. This is the first of 4 meetings that will take place in the next few months.

## 2. Introductions

Superintendent Lyons introduced Director Warren Kennedy, and recorder, Marie Belanger. Mr. Lyons explained the committee composition and their role in this study. Committee Chair, Kelly Schwab was introduced and committee members were acknowledged.

## 3. Background

Every year the Director presents an annual accommodation report to our Trustees. In October, 2011, Trustees approved a motion that we conduct a PARC study of the Herman Family of Schools.

*A PowerPoint presentation used to share information with the community is attached.*

Superintendent Lyons noted that the Board needs to be proactive and not reactive. Our focus is to be more efficient in our buildings and spend more money for student programming. Operating costs and utilization rates were reviewed.

The Committee has many tasks before them. They will look at the enrolment trends, other relevant data, student programming in each school and hear community input before writing final recommendations to the Director. Ultimately, the trustees will make the final decision.

Mr. Lyons reviewed the four sections of the school information profile:

- Value to the Student
- Value to the School Board