Greater Essex County District School Board
Tecumseh Family of Schools
Monday, April 8, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.
Report of a meeting held in the Theatre Arts room at Tecumseh Vista Academy



#### Our Task:

At the January 15, 2013, regular meeting of the Board, Trustees approved the following recommendation regarding the Tecumseh Family of Schools:

# 1. THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FACILITATES AN ACCOMMODATION REVIEW OF THE TECUMSEH FAMILY OF SCHOOLS TO ADDRESS CAPACITY ISSUES AND THE MODELS OF PROGRAM DELIVERY.

**Present**: Tecumseh Vista Academy, Joan Rankin, Paul Bisson, Simona Baggio, Diana Fratarcangeli, Doug Marshall, Heather Emery; DM Eagle School, Arlene Bryce Hanson, Shelly Hodare, Rachel Bulmer,; Victoria School, Dave Simone, Jody Lamb, Marsha Tterlikkis; and AV Graham School, Amanda Dibbs, Wayne Samwell, Brenda Fletcher; Community representatives, Eileen Fournier

Regrets: Natalie Hatch, Bill Murray, Sharon Pyke and Chairperson: Terry Lyons,

Superintendent of Education

**Absent:** Helen Papanastassiou, Daniel Hofgartner

**Recorder:** Lynne Hornby

#### 1. Call to Order and Welcome

Chairperson Samwell called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Updates for information binders were distributed.

It was noted that Principal Rankin would be acting as facilitator this evening as Superintendent Lyons regrettably could not be in attendance. He sent his apologies.

# 2. Review of minutes/previous considerations

The minutes of the March 20 committee meeting have been circulated to the committee via e-mail. There being no changes, they are now posted to the Board website under the Student Accommodation icon. Copies were provided to the committee.

# 3. Draft presentation by sub-committee of School Information Profiles for community meeting of April 10

It was again stressed that each school's profile must contain the same information.

Chairperson Samwell thanked Ms. Fletcher for putting the presentation together.

Suggested changes were made.

Chairperson Samwell and the principals of each school will be making the presentation and will meet prior to the meeting to review the powerpoint.

# 4. Charting of brainstorming ideas; advantages and disadvantages

It was stressed that at this time we are not debating the merits of the advantages and disadvantages but merely brainstorming. Chairperson Samwell noted that no ideas are being dismissed at this point in time. There will be debate later in the process.

This exercise was not completed and will continue at the next meeting.

# 5. Additional brainstorming ideas

Adjust Tecumseh Vista Elementary northern boundary to Tecumseh Road for both French and English students.

#### 6. Working groups – development of Guiding Principles

Deferred to next meeting.

Things to remember:

Status quo is not an option

Try to reduce the amount of transitions and affect the least amount of students possible

# 7. Additional dates for Committee meetings

None were added at this time.

# 7. Questions and Clarifications

Clarifications were made during the review of the powerpoint presentation.

#### 8. Requests for information

2012 enrolment numbers, with OTG%

Verification on acreage for Tecumseh Vista Academy

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The second community meeting is April 10 at 6:30 p.m. Presentation committee will meet at 6 p.m.

The next committee meeting is April 17, at Victoria Pubic School

Agenda items:

Continue to explore advantages and disadvantages of each brainstorming idea.

Develop guiding principles

Considerations for membership of report writing team