



DUFFERIN PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Approved Minutes
Accommodation Review Committee

Meeting #7

Dixie Shorefront

Monday, June 16, 2008

St. Timothy Elementary

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Present:

ARC COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools
John Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations
Thane Munn, Senior Planner, Planning Department
Joshua Tzventarny, Planner, Planning Department
Cheryl Cauduro, Principal, Queen of Heaven
Victoria Coste-Ramsay, School Council Chair, Queen of Heaven
Deirdre Kinsella-Biss, Principal, St. Dominic
Lucio Marcantonio, Teacher Representative, St. Dominic
Carol Klafuric, School Council Chair, St. Dominic
Deirdre Furlong, Principal, St. Edmund
LeeAnn McBain, School Council Co-Chair, St. Edmund
Amy Moher, Teacher Representative, St. Edmund
Gerard Callender, Acting-Principal, St. James
Harry Tideman, School Council Chair, Delegate, St. James
Robert Romanet, Principal, St. Timothy
Cristian Lecanda, Parish Representative, St. Catherine of Siena

Absent:

Emily Irvine, Planner, City of Mississauga
Ernie Arduini, Teacher Representative, Queen of Heaven
Cheryl Ferrugia, School Council Vice-Chair, Queen of Heaven
Eric Landman, School Council Co-Chair, St. Edmund
Delfina Santos, School Council Chair, St. Timothy
Luisa DeMelo, School Council Chair, St. Timothy
Barbara Oleksak, Parish Representative, St. Patrick
Rosa Bonifacio, Recorder-Secretary, Planning Department



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ROUTINE MATTERS

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of School called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

1. Opening Prayer & Welcome

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools welcomed members by thanking them for attending the meeting

2. Minutes – ARC Meeting No 6

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools
The minutes were approved as amended for ARC Meeting No. 6.

3. Minutes – Public Meeting No. 4

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools
The minutes were approved as amended for Public Meeting No. 4

The ARC was advised that the approved minutes would be posted on the Dufferin-Peel website www.dpcdsb.org .

4. Board Meeting Dates Fall 2008 – Delegation Rules

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools

Reviewed meeting dates.

September 22, 2008 - Delegations

September 30, 2008 - Delegations

November 27, 2008 – Decision

Delegations meeting dates are for Dixie Shorefront Review Area only.

Advised that all details to process and rules of delegations are posted on the Board website:
<http://www.dpcdsb.org/CEC/About+Us/Departments/PLN/School+Closures+Review.htm>

Regarding ARC members needing to attend delegations? Not a requirement, as the ARC members' mission is completed by submitting the report to the director. Parents can talk to their Trustees, delegate the Administration & Finance Committee or the Board Meeting. The staff report will be available on the board website at the end of August, 2008.



5. Draft ARC Report to Director of Education

Reviewed the Ministry Guidelines for the next steps. Amendments can be made to the ARC report prior to the ARC submitting their report to the Director of Education. Staff from the Planning Department will also prepare a report, based on facts.

- In September of 2008 there will be two Special Administration and Finance Committee Meetings of the Board scheduled for where the reports will be presented. All community members are encouraged to attend.
- In November (60 days from the first scheduled September Board Meeting) a Special Board Meeting will be held. At this time the Trustees will vote on a final decision. This decision will not affect the 2008-2009 school year.

Clarification of writing the ARC report, 3 members volunteered to write one report not individual reports. General discussion about the process the committee has undertaken. Dialogue open, Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, clarifies that this is not the place for debating pro's and cons, as they were never discussed by Committee. Meeting was meant to be used to approve the report. Thane explains point of the ARC is to recommend to the Board to close one or more school, not to force issue and pros or cons one school versus the other. Important not to create competition between Parishes – church services students regardless of the school they attend. The ARC committee decided not to pick a position. John Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, stated that the message from the committee is important as long as statements reflect the feeling of the community and is approved by the ARC. A template was agreed on. Elizabeth McGuire thanked members for writing the report.

Draft report to be forward to Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools. Any concerns, email Elizabeth McGuire. Elizabeth McGuire will then forward the final ARC report to all members and it will be posted on the board website.

Conclusion

Elizabeth McGuire, Chairperson, Superintendent of Schools thanked committee members and staff for attending the meetings and for their continued support, hard work and countless hours dedicated to be on the ARC Committee. To the principals leaving, Deirdre Furlong, Principal, St. Edmund, and Deirdre Kinsella-Biss, Principal, St. Dominic, good luck to future ventures.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p. m.

J. Tzventarny, Recorder- Secretary, Planner, Planning Department, DPCDSB