



Boundary Review Committee (BRC) Meeting #6

A meeting of the Boundary Review Committee was held on the 29th day of September at 6:00pm at the Catholic Education Centre and via Microsoft Teams.

- Committee Members:**
- Members Present:** Gerald Foran (Chair), Shesh Maharaj, Wendy Price, Deanna Wehrle, Vella Giglio, Jo Goossens, Paul Gladding, Sean Spitzig, Purnata Talukder, Amy Fee, Lauren Fulop, Dawn Shuh, Vanessa Marshal, John Klein, Tracey Weiler, Susanne Ventura, Gregory Sych
- Regrets:**
Deanna Anene, Shawn Bradshaw
- Support Staff:** Jennifer Passy, Virina Elgawly, Jordan Neale, Darcy Davis, and Sarah Charlton
- Next Meeting:** No further meetings scheduled. The work of the BRC is completed.

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer:

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Gerald Foran
Opening prayer and land acknowledgement was led by Deanna Wehrle
There were 5 viewers on YouTube

2. Meeting Norms:

- BRC Meeting Norms was discussed (referenced digital binder)
 - The committee is to act as a consultation body and official conduit of information shared between the school board and the school communities
 - Members are expected to participate, be respectful and attend all meetings
 - BRC meetings are open to members of the public as observers
- Public meetings are open to members of the public to have a voice

Gerald Foran

3. Approval of Minutes:

- BRC Meeting #5 minutes were approved

**All BRC
Members**

4. Review of Public Comments:

- Public comments from September 21st to September 28th were reviewed
- Concerns around the 7-12 school and how the elementary and secondary students will be separated.
 - The 7-12 program review information is available on the Board's website.
 - A review of the board-approved program recommendations was provided.
- Concerns with the location of St. Patrick and the high crime
- Comments requesting additional legacy exemptions
 - The more legacy exemptions that are added the less enrolment and capacity will be affected and that is our main goal

**All BRC
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5. Public Consultation #2 Discussion:

- Thought Exchange feedback was reviewed
 - 135 participants, 92 thoughts, 2,543 Ratings
 - 87% Parents/Guardians

**Jordan Neale /
Virina Elgawly**

- 2% Students
- 4% Staff Members
- 5% Community Members
- 2% Others
- Participants by School
 - 10% - Canadian Martyrs
 - 50% - Saint John Paul
 - 15% - St. Anne (Kitchener)
 - 9% - St. Daniel
 - 6% - St. Mary's
 - 10% - N/A
- Theme Methodology – total number of thoughts from highest to lowest
 - Proximity to School
 - Grade Configuration
 - School Site Selection
 - Legacy Exceptions
 - Miscellaneous
 - Transition
 - Question
 - Supportive Comments
 - Capacity vs. Enrolment
 - French Immersion
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 - Supportive Comments
- Majority of participants were parents from Saint John Paul (50%).
- Proximity to School and Grade Configuration were the most discussed thoughts
- School Site Selection and Capacity vs. Enrolment thoughts had the strongest support from other participants.
- Frequently Asked Questions and responses were reviewed

6. Finalizing Recommendations:

- Review of recommendations
 - No additional recommendations or comments

Virina Elgawly

7. Next Steps:

- Option #6 will be brought forth to the Board of Trustees as the recommended option
- BRC members will be given a week to review the meeting minutes from the September 29th meeting
 - If there are no comments / changes, then the minutes will be considered as approved
- Staff will prepare a final report for the Board of Trustees
 - Report to be presented to the Trustees on October 17, 2022
 - On October 25, 2022, staff will respond to questions received from the Trustees from the October 17th meeting
- The Board of Trustees will make a final decision on November 7, 2022

Gerald Foran

8. Closing Prayer and Adjournment:

Gerald Foran thanked the BRC members for their work throughout the review.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm by Gerald Foran.
Closing prayer was led by Deanna Wehrle.