

SW Milton #9 ps Boundary Review Committee (BRC) Meeting #1
Minutes
Monday, November 24th, 7-9 pm
Milton District High School

PRESENT:

David Euale (Director), Gord Truffen (Superintendent), Rob Eatough (Superintendent), Donna Danielli (Trustee), Kim Graves (Trustee), Dom Renzella (Manager of Planning), Michelle D'Aguiar (Senior Planner), Bob Jones (Bruce Trail Principal), Jane Chin (Tiger Jeet Singh Parent Rep), Kim Prangley (Anne J. MacArthur Parent Rep), Katherine McArthur (Anne J. MacArthur Principal), April Bond (Chris Hadfield Parent Rep), Erin Kijewski (J.M. Denyes Parent Rep), Anne Ondercin (Craig Kielburer SS Parent Rep), Tony Cancellara (Irma Coulson Parent Rep), Henry Janzen (Bruce Trail Parent Rep), Jennifer Wood (Brookville PS Parent Rep).

Senior Staff welcomed committee members and made introductions.

Senior Staff commented on his personal interest in experiencing the Supercouncil process which is unique within Halton.

Senior Staff reminded committee members that the meeting is public however only the school council reps are invited to participate in the group discussions.

Senior Staff unveiled the sketch plan for SW Milton #9 ps and explained that two life skills classes are being included in the design plans.

The Trustee offered an overview of the role and membership make-up of the BRSC (Boundary Review Steering Committee) and the BRC (Boundary Review Committee). The Boundary Review Process was also reviewed.

Senior Staff asked that council chairs fully prep their replacements if they cannot attend meetings.

Timelines were reviewed.

Senior Staff explained the criteria for measuring the impact and effectiveness of the proposed scenarios.

The scenarios developed thus far focus on the geographical area directly abutting SW Milton #9 ps, widening this focus has not been ruled out, this is a starting point.

The scenarios also assume the new school will open Kindergarten to Grade 7 (with Grade 8 added in the second year of opening) or Grade 1-7 if single track (with Grade 8 added in the second year of opening).

Planning Staff spoke to the Ministry of Education's request for capital project submissions, currently aimed at Spring 2015 with announcements in the fall. At the earliest, pending Ministry approval, the next elementary could be opened in 2017.

Plans to rebuild Martin Street are underway and a report should be available soon. School opening would be September 2016.

Planning Staff reported on current school enrolments and proposed development. Clarification was offered that Milton development yield is weighted to younger children (JK-grade3).

Developments slated to have new house closings over the next several years are included in the assumptions for enrolment projections.

Initial Scenario Review Comments

- Cannot live next to Tiger Jeet Singh but go to SW Milton #9 ps
- Assumption is that there will be two new elementary schools by 2019
- Scenarios showing promise: 6, 1, 5, 8
- In Scenario 1 – Could the parcel of land west of Bronte be allocated to Anne J. MacArthur
- Scenario 7 was widely viewed as problematic in terms of the negative impact on the catchment for the fourth time
- In scenarios 1, 2, 3, 4 –the students close to Tiger Jeet Singh should not be moved

Senior Staff once again reminded committee members that Martin Street will be reopening with additional pupil places, hopefully in 2016.

On the HDSB page, the SW Milton #9 website can be found on the left hand side under Program and Accommodation (<http://www.hdsb.ca/aboutus/Planning/Reviews/Pages/SWMilton9.aspx>)

Next meeting: Tuesday December 2, 2014

7 pm

Milton District High School (Library)