

South Milton & Milton SE #13 ps Boundary Review

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 @7pm

Meeting Place: Elsie MacGill PS - Library

BRSC Members:

Donna Danielli, Naveed Ahmed, Jennifer Fowler, Romer Abalos, Frederick Thibeault, Michelle D'Aguiar, Dean Barnes.

BRC Members:

Laura Mitchell, Areej Ghaza, Imran Haq, Nimrah Kiyani, Pavan Kumar, Danielle Masanto, Tanmay Mathur, Himanshu Raina, Shikha Sareen, Robyn Seeds, K. Mark Tomecek, Khaled Elnabolsy, Mahish Agha, Sachin Deshpande, Ginni Malik, Anam Yousu, Erica Clarke

Presentation

General Manager Frederick Thibeault welcomes back the BRC.

Superintendent Dean Barnes honors the land and territory

Trustees, Trustee Donna Danielli and Naveed Ahmed are welcomed to the meeting.

Part 1

- a) Housekeeping Items
 - i) Goals for the meeting
 - (1) Dive into the remaining option numbers.
 - (2) Select 3 options that will be presented to the public at the Public Information meeting.
 - ii) Notes
 - (1) BRC Meeting Notes #3.5 (October 17)
 - (2) If there are no comments by the end of day Friday, they will be posted.
 - iii) Additional Materials
 - (1) The options, criteria, walk webs, class size by grade, and notes have all been printed out for tonight's meeting.
 - iv) Option 6a Correction
 - (1) The FI program is now reflecting the phasing of the FI program from Viola Desmond PS to Anne J. MacArthur PS.
 - v) Schedule
 - (1) Tonight is the last meeting before the P.I.M.
 - (2) Feedback will be closed on November 6th.
 - vi) BRSC program commitments
 - (1) Make sure a sustainable number of students are enrolled in in FI
 - (2) A school with a single feeder school is problematic.
 - vii) Superintendent Jennifer Fowler speaks to school administrator feedback.
 - (1) She met with all administrators who are working in her FI schools.
 - (2) It is more viable when there are more students

- (3) However we want to avoid over-viability where it impacts the English track.
- (4) Staff retention and hiring concerns.
- (5) Changing classes regardless.

Part 2

- a) Results from Menti
 - i) Results from last week show options 7a, 6a, 5a and 3a being favored despite the conversations at the last meeting.
 - ii) The favorability of option 5a was not expected.
- b) Breakout Session
 - i) The BRC discusses the options as one group.
- c) Large Group Discussion
 - i) Choosing 3 options (comments from BRC)
 - (1) Option 6a
 - (a) Viable numbers in French
 - (b) Meets most of the criteria
 - (c) Satisfied with the option
 - (d) Viola portables go down
 - (e) Favored by the BRC
 - (f) Geographically similar to Option 3a
 - (g) PLR still has high portables.
 - (2) Option 8a
 - (a) This option balances FI
 - (b) Keeping 3 FI schools
 - (c) Evening our school pressures
 - (d) Viable for FI
 - (e) English is okay
 - (f) Adding bussing
 - (g) Zones 1, 2, 11, 12 are bussed already
 - (h) Portables are healthy at each of the schools
 - (i) Viola's numbers are going down with portables
 - (j) PLR was concerned it would be losing a Program
 - (i) Retuning playground space from portable removals
 - (3) Option 3a
 - (a) Bussed either way
 - (b) PLR is phasing out
 - (c) Meets most of criteria
 - (d) Same rating as 6a for the BRC
 - (e) Viola keeps high portables numbers
 - (4) The 3 chosen options for the Public Information Meeting are:
Options 3a, 6a, and 8a.
- d) Menti
 - i) The BRC are asked to fill out the Menti once an email is sent to them, as time ran out during the meeting.

Part 3

- b) What's next
 - i) The next meeting will be the Public Information Livestream.
 - (1) Presentation that explains the process and options.
 - (2) A parent representative that explains the RBC process and experience is needed.
 - (3) Monday November 4th.
 - (4) The BRSC will stream on the HDSB youtube page and answer questions from the public that are submitted through the [question form](#).
 - (5) Feedback form closes November 6th
 - (a) We then bring the feedback to the BRC at the final meeting.
 - ii) The meeting ends at 9:00 pm

[Breakout Session Discussion](#)