

West Flamborough

Accommodation Review Committee

Public Meeting # 3

Beverly Central
Dr Seaton
Greensville
Millgrove
Spencer Valley

Dr Seaton – December 4th, 2013



Welcome and Introductions

Why we are here tonight?

- Review the work completed to dated by the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)
- Share the committee's Guiding Principles from community discussions at Public Meetings
- Presentation of the ARC's DRAFT options
- Group Discussion and Community Input
- ***No decision has been made: this is why we are here***

Meeting Norms

- Promote a positive environment
- Treat all other members and guests with respect
- Recognize and respect the personal integrity of each member of the committee
- Acknowledge democratic principles and accept the consensus and votes of the committee
- Use established communication channels when questions or concerns arise
- Promote high standards of ethical practice at all times

Accommodation Review Committee Mandate

“...is to lead the public *review and act in an advisory role* that will study, report and *provide recommendations* on accommodation option(s) with respect to the group of schools or school being reviewed for *the Board of Trustees'* consideration and decision.”



Where Are We in the Accommodation Review Process?

Board Approval June 2013

- Preliminary School Accommodation Review Report



Preparation Phase June 2013-Sept 2013

- Preparation of background material
- Committee members are appointed



Community Review Phase Oct 2013-Jan 2014*

- Board Staff share school accommodation option
- Accommodation Review Committee develops recommendation(s)



Board Review Phase Feb 2014 – May 2014*

- Director's Accommodation Review Report
- Public delegations at Standing Committee Meeting



Projected Decision by Trustees May 2014*

Public Meetings

October 2nd, 2013 - Complete
November 6th, 2013 - Complete
November 13th, 2013- Complete
December 4th, 2013
January 22th, 2014

Working Group Meetings

October 2nd, 2013 – Complete
October 16th, 2013 – Complete
October 30th, 2013 – Complete
November 13th, 2013– Complete
November 27th, 2013- Complete
December 11th, 2103
January 15th, 2014
January 29th, 2014



Work Completed by the Accommodation Review Committee

Since Our Last Public Meeting #2B:

- 5th Working Group Meeting
- Reviewed community feedback from Public Meeting #2B along with Guiding Principles to assist the committee with forming options
- School Tours (completed 4 of 5 schools)



Committee Guiding Principles

Process of creating Guiding Principles

- Examining recorded data from public meetings
- Reading through data
- Focusing of main ideas and identifying patterns in the data
- Summarizing the main themes and developing a list of common principles to help in decision making

Guiding Principles for Decision Making

Program Offerings

Transportation

Resources

21st Century Learning

Principle #1: Program offerings

- Infrastructure for specialty programs -
 - Art Room
 - Music Room
 - Science Labs
- Accommodations for exceptional students
- Programs for cognitive-needs
- French immersion

Principle #2: Transportation

- Efficient bus riding routes
- Reduced riding times for our students
- The 60-minute guideline seems to be stretched so the guideline should consider other factors that impede the bus staying well within the guideline (e.g. redirection around a country block)

Principle #3: Current school resources

- If students move to a different facility, the current resources should move with the students
 - Playground equipment
 - SmartBoards
 - Computer equipment
 - Science lab equipment
 - Library books
- Costs to cover installation and training of these resources should be included in recommendation

Principle #4: 21st learning environment

- Technology needs
- Learner needs
- Large collaboration spaces
- Adequate power-supply and internet connections
- Consideration for how class times overlap and timing of shared resources to ensure the proper quantity and quality of time (e.g. gyms, computer labs)
- Infrastructure and adequate shared spaces

Other Considerations

- **Timeline:** extended to at least September 2015 or until facilities/construction are completed
- Commit to quality teaching learning environments that support student achievement
- **Facilities:** School facilities and infrastructure meet the needs of our students in the 21st century

- **Program offering:** ensure that we have specialty rooms (e.g. technology, science lab, music, French space, art rooms, learning resource) along with technology that is current-date
- ensure quality and consistency of programming (see above) across all children within the Accommodation Review Area

- **Transportation:**
 - Will not exceed 45 minutes
- **Transition points:**
 - Resources: when/if a school closes then the resources move



Accommodation Review Committee DRAFT Options

In creating our Options, our best thinking to date is:

- extended to at least September 2015 or until facilities/construction are completed

- French Immersion is not part of recommendations

Option #1

- Close all 5 schools.
- New school on Spencer (for Spencer, Millgrove and Greensville)
- New site (Beverly Central Community Centre) for Beverly and Seaton.
 - This involves a realignment of catchment area to generally balance the two schools' populations.



Discussion - Benefits or Challenges?

Option #2

- Close Millgrove and Greensville and renovate Spencer Valley (making it a JK-8).
- Close Beverly and Seaton with a new JK-8 school on the Beverly Central school site.
 - This involves a realignment of catchment area to generally balance the two schools' populations.



Discussion - Benefits or Challenges?

Option #3

- New school for Seaton and Beverly at a central location.
- Greensville goes to a renovated Spencer Valley (JK-8).
- Millgrove remains open status quo or we explore the viability of a JK-8.
 - There would be no change in current catchment area.



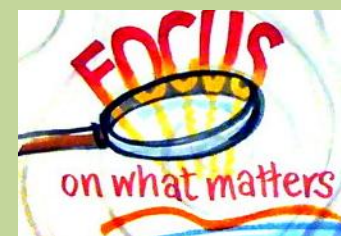
Discussion - Benefits or Challenges?

In creating our Options, our best thinking to date is:

- Greensville school and site: to close
- Seaton school and site: to close
- Beverly Central school to close, site is an option for a new school
- Spencer Valley: site to stay open



Group Discussion



Next Steps:

- Next 2 working group meetings the committee will refine accommodation options based on public consultations
- At Public Meeting #4 a Draft Committee Accommodation Report with its interim accommodation Option(s) will be presented
- If you have any ideas of your own please share with an accommodation committee member from your school or at arcinfo@hwdsb.on.ca

Next Public Meeting

January 22nd, 2013

at Greensville Elementary School

Objective

Present Draft ARC Report with Option/s

Next Working Group Meeting

December 11th, 2013

at Greensville Elementary School

Thank You