



**West Hamilton Accommodation City Review  
Working Group Meeting #6  
Thursday March 2, 2017  
6:00 pm**

**Queen Victoria  
166 Forest Avenue,  
Hamilton, Ontario**

**Agenda**

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| 1. Housekeeping Items  | 20 mins |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review of Hess/Strathcona JK-5 with Eng 6-8 to Ryerson</li></ul>                                       |         |
| 2. Public Meeting #2 preparation   | 60 mins |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How do we want to communicate?</li><li>• How do we communicate?</li><li>• Capturing feedback</li></ul> |         |
| 3. Next Steps  | 10 mins |

# Correspondence

Limited option (no additional schools built) for committee review March 2 2017  
by Nadine Bernacki

### Earl Kitchener, Central, and Ryerson Catchment Boundaries

1. move catchment boundaries for Central Students on east side to James Street, northern boundary to Main Street

- *students will not have to cross James Street*
- *students will not have to cross Main Street after LRT construction (probably less than two students affected)*
- *lines up boundary with Earl Kitchener northern boundary*
- *reduce population pressure at Central AND Ryerson, estimated 50 students from Central and 30 from Ryerson to Queen Victoria*

**Central:  $304-50=254$**

**utilization now:  $254/283=90\%$ , **CENTRAL 90%****

2. Ryerson 6-8 catchment boundaries moved to include new Central boundaries

**Ryerson impact:  $410-30*\text{estimated}=380$**

**utilization now:  $380/343=110\%$**

**Queen Victoria impact:  $557+50(k-5)+30(6-8)=637$ ,  $637/758=84\%$**

**QUEEN VICTORIA 84%**

### French Immersion Boundary for EK and Ryerson

3. with respect to new catchment boundaries listed above move French Immersion Boundary for any students residing outside of the EK and Central catchments to be accommodated at a new French Immersion program location at Bennetto school

**EK Impact:  $561-54=507$**

**utilization now:  $507/548=93\%$ , **EARL KITCHENER 93%****

**Ryerson Impact:  $380-15=365$**

**utilization now:  $365/343=106\%$**

**Bennetto Impact:  $497+54(k-5\text{ FI})+15(6-8\text{ FI})=566$**

**utilization now:  $566/744=76\%$**

### Strathcona and Hess Schools

4. Merge the populations of Strathcona and Hess St. schools into a new JK-8 school on a TBD site with generous play space and green space, (former locations as possible community hubs/rec. ctrs)

**Strathcona Impact:  $188-188=0$ , **STRATHCONA 0%****

**Hess St. Impact:  $346-346=0$ , **HESS 0%****

Financial Impact on HWDSB:

Strathcona 5 yr renewal \$2,586,732+ benchmarks \$2,305,110 = \$4,891,842

Hess School 5 yr renewal \$2,472,699+ benchmarks \$4,996,854 = \$7,469,553

totalling \$12,361,395

which is enough to build a nice new school with all benchmarks met and low maintenance costs over next several years.

**New School for Strathcona and Hess Students**

**New School:  $188(K-5)+346(K-8)=534$**

5. Grade 6-8 students from former Strathcona catchment at Ryerson to transfer to new school

**New School Impact:  $534+55=589$**

**Ryerson Impact:  $365-55=310/343=90%$  utilization**

6. Move SAGE and SAGE Quest Programs to Bennetto School

- *create cohesion between JK-8 SAGE programs in one location*
- *help Bennetto reach closer to it's optimal utilization and to create opportunity for Bennetto children to participate in this program*

**New School Impact:  $589-63=526$**

**Ryerson Impact:  $310-43=267$ ,  $267/343=78%$ , RYERSON 78%**

**Bennetto Impact:  $566+63+43=672$ ,  $672/744=90%$ , BENNETTO 90%**

7. Move western catchment boundary of Dr. Davey to Bay Street to transfer some 'new school' students to Dr. Davey ~ 60 students

**New School Impact:  $526-60=466$ ,  $466/500=93%$ , NEW SCHOOL 93%**

**Dr. Davey Impact:  $518+60=578$ ,  $578/816=71%$  utilization, DR. DAVEY 71%**

8. Combine the populations of Central, Earl Kitchener, and Ryerson Schools to become two new jk-8 schools (one with French Immersion) to replace all three of those schools

**It is occurring to me now that the EK/Central/Ryerson system may not be the most financially viable way to continue... we have three buildings to hold how many students jk-8?**

**CENTRAL, 254, 90%**

**RYERSON, 267, 78%**

**EK, 507, 93%**

**$254+267+507=1028$  students could be merged into two jk-8 schools??**

**consider costs to fix up all three schools...**

**Central = 5yr. Renewal \$2,237,351 + benchmarks \$2,933,208 = \$5,170,559**

**Ryerson = 5yr. Renewal \$1,926,808 + benchmarks \$560,053 = \$2,486,861**

**EK = 5yr. Renewal \$5,109,618 + benchmarks \$8,167,987 = \$13,277,605**

**totalling: \$20,935,025**

**which is definitely enough to build two brand new schools on sites to be determined...**

**or**

**if we combined these schools we would save enough money to fix up Bennetto and everyone would have great schools, because Bennetto would be the only one left to really fix out of the nine schools that needs a lot of work.**