

Dear Honourable Liz Sandals, Minister of Education;

I am writing to request an Administrative Review of the accommodation review process undertaken by the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board for the following school(s): Hillcrest, Parkdale, Rosedale, Roxborough Park, Viscount Montgomery, W.H. Ballard and Woodward Avenue.

On June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Board of Trustees voted to close Woodward Avenue and Roxborough Park schools and to investigate putting offices into W.H. Ballard to fill the school to a higher utilization.

We are writing because we feel that our ARC members were greatly influenced by one of the representative Trustees from the area. He held a private meeting with the 13 community members and outlined a plan he thought the board would accept. From the point of that meeting onward many members on the committee kept to that option rather than participating with the other members in finding alternate options, or even hearing out other member options. These community members were told that there was funding for a new school if we asked for it, and many on the committee from that point forward felt that asking for a new school when we were being asked to close so many was acceptable and possible.

Also the other representative Trustee (for one school) presented the option that was ultimately accepted by the board of trustees. His option presented information that \$4-5 million was available for renovations/upgrades etc. for schools in our area. This information was never made available to the ARC members for consideration. His idea is to put that money into a non-accessible school and rather than have those students attend their 6-8 school (one of the largest and most underutilized) to put offices in that school and keep the non-accessible school open. This was never discussed with ARC members – in fact, we were not made aware of any attempt of the board of trustees or school board with regards to seeking out community partnerships to maintain the smaller community schools, or any of the schools for that matter.

We don't feel that the impact on our community was considered or weighted accordingly. Woodward Avenue school is the centre of our community, we do not have any churches, community centres or other meeting areas, the 6 other schools in our ARC process all have these facilities that create a community. Our catchment area is very large already as it encompasses an isolated part of Hamilton – the Beach Strip. The loss of Woodward Avenue School would be a detriment to our community, people will not move to the area and anyone seeking to sell their house will suffer a loss of property values.

Attached please find our petition and an invitation to a meeting and a follow up e-mail from Trustee Ray Mulholland with regards to a confidential meeting with 13 community (non-staff) members. Unfortunately I do not have the documents he handed out at the meeting with me presently.

Regards,



Brandy Gilvear Paul, Hamilton East ARC Member, Woodward Avenue School Parent/Council Representative, 905-575-5933, [brandypaul@cogeco.ca](mailto:brandypaul@cogeco.ca)

Brianna Okerstrom – Parent Representative, Jennifer Voth – Teaching Staff Representative

Dear Arc member

It is my intention to convene a meeting of the community members of the Hamilton East ARC committee. The meeting is to be highly confidential and is to remain private.

The meeting will take place on Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup>. at 6 p.m.

The location is Faith Lutheran Church, 1907 King street east,  
(at Rosedale across from Metro )

Parking behind Church, entrance by rear door.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss, as a community any counter recommendation's to the staff report.

I cannot over state the importance of confidentiality.

Please contact me if you are able to attend. It may be the most important ARC meeting that you attend.

*Ray*

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## Gilvear Paul, Brandy

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 23, 2013 8:17 PM

**Subject:** RE: meeting

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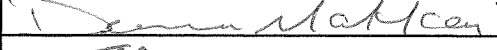





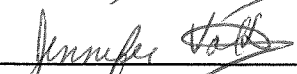
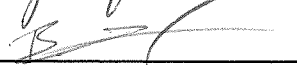
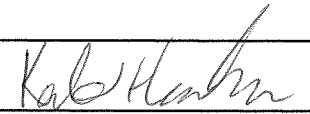
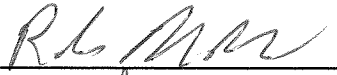




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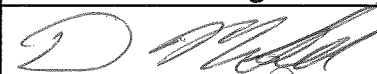




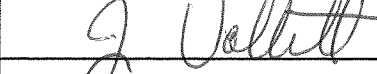





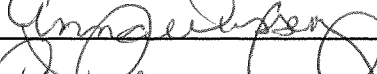
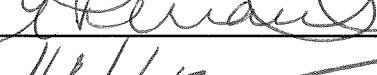




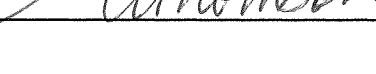
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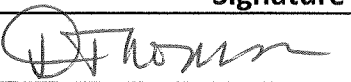





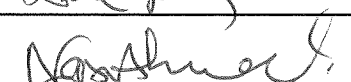
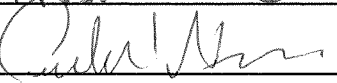




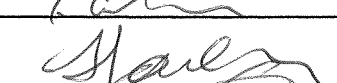

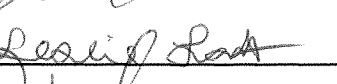



I will be at the meeting Thursday evening. Do you have any anticipations as to how long this meeting will go? May I ask what other members have been invited - are the teacher/school representatives






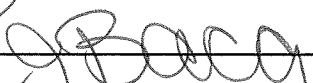



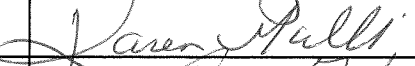



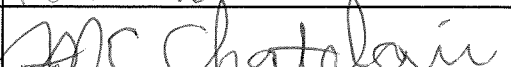
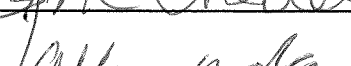


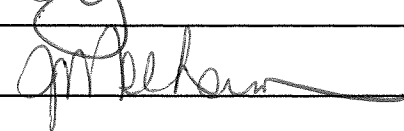
Hi. Brandy.

The meeting will be as brief as possible perhaps two hours. Only the thirteen community members are invited. As I mentioned it is highly confidential.  
Ray.

	Name	Address	Eligibility	Signature
1	Bridget Gilvear Paul	724 Dunn Avenue, Hamilton ON L8H 6M8	ARC member	
2	Tracey Langille	689 NASH RD N. HAMILTON, ON L8E 3L8	Parent	
3	Tammy Mills	704 Brighton Ave Hamilton On <sup>L8H</sup> G1G	Parent	
4	Deanna Makkar	53 Eastvale Pl. Ham. ON <sup>L8H</sup> W9	Parent	
5	Tracy Hennessey		Staff Boys & Girls Club	
6	Cameron Gonzales	326 Hunter St. East	Staff Boys & Girls Club	
7	Kayla Alexander	628 Tate Avenue.	Parent	
8	Brod Millier	245 Kenora #163	Parent	
9	Mandy Trarey	4 Sarah Cres	teacher	
10	Jennifer Voth	11 Dartford Place Ham. ON L8V 3V7	ARC member + teacher	
11	Bill Hawley	191 Desantis Court Ham. Ont	Teacher	
12	Debbie Wassell	46 Huntingwood Ave	Nurse.	
13	Katrina Herchenroder	783 Knox Avenue	Parent	
14	Rob Nobles	2150 Brampton St	Parent	
15	Elaine Slack	586 Woodward Ave.	Parent	
16	Tammy Aquino	18 lagoon ave	Parent	
17	Stacey Steeves	543 Waterloo St	Parent	
18	Deidra Clarke	670 Knox Ave	Parent	

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19	Doug McKee	670 Knox Ave	Parent	
20	Joanne Loui	179 GRACE AVE	PARENT	
21	Jenn Fairbank	179 Grace Ave	Parent	
22	M. SHARPS	165 LIMERICK RD E	STAFF	
23	Brianna Okerstrom	601 Corbett St.	Parent.	
24	Jennifer Vollett	760 Dunn Ave.	Parent	
25	Bobbi Buckland	721 Rennie St	Parent	
26	Drew Hines	623 Knox Ave	Parent	
27	Tara Burkner	678 Knox Ave	Parent	
28	Melanie Steeves	893 Beach Blu	Parent	
29	Doug Dore	279 Adair Ave N	Parent/guardian	
30	Anna Wissner	274 Adair Ave N	Parent	
31	Audra Perrault	1969 Brampton St	Parent	
32	Karl Wagar	1969 Brampton St	Parent	
33	Christina Froude	1941 Brampton St	Parent	
34	Julie Yelland	652 Burgess Avenue	Parent	
35	James Patton	652 Burgess Ave	Parent	
36	Angela Thomson	541 Barnaby St	Parent	

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37	David Thomson	541 Barnaby St	parent	
38	Jessica Passmore	367 Beach Boulevard. Ham.	Parent	
39	Josh Passmore	367 Beach Boulevard.	Parent	
40	JOSH MARACLE	607 BRIGHTON AVE	PARENT	
41	Julie Newson	607 Brighton Ave	Parent	
42	Jessica Belbin	154 Leawdard	Parent	
43	DAV PARK	783 BEACH BLVD.	PARENT	
44	Naseer Malik	586 CORBETT ST	Parent	
45	Sumbal Malik	586 CORBETT ST	Parent	
46	Charity Conway	621 Tate Ave	Parent	
47	Ian Virta	731 Brighton	Parent	
48	Ardeon Padmore	714 TATE AVE	Parent	
49	Patty Dean	10 Locarno Ave	Parent	
50	Terry Coleman	831 Beach Blvd.	Parent	
51	ANNE JACKSON	43 Flatt Ave	Staff	
52	Donny Fortis	777 BEACH BLVD	PARENT	
53	Leslie Lambert	1007 Beach Blvd #1	Parent	
54	Rebecca Fournier	762 Dunn Ave	Parent	

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55	Tim Case	601 Corbett st.	Parent.	
56	Lynda Tomkinson	1979 Brampton St.	Parent	
57	Tanya Uncles	583 Corbett st	Parent	
58	Scott Williams	<del>588</del> barnaby St.	Parent	
59	JULIE HOBERT	588 BARNABY ST	PARENT	
60	Jodi BACA	640 Tate Ave	parent	
61	Steve Hind	640 Tate Ave	parent	
62	Aaron Paul	724 Penn Ave	parent	
63	D. Poyton	487-205 MEWIN AVE	GRANDMOTHER	
64	Jane Pulli	110 TATE AVE	Grand parent	
65	Jan Pulli	110 TATE AVE	GRANDPARENT	
66	Chris Chatelain	551 Barnaby St.	Parent	
67	Petra Chatelain	1264 King St E	Grand parent	
68	MIC Chatelain	1264 King E	Grandparent	
69	Ashley Miranda	721 Beach Blvd	Parent	
70	San Ku	98 Teal ave	Parent	
71	Jen Myers	14 Newlands Ave	Parent	
72	Joanne Melham	1190 Leaside Road	Parent	

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73	Rayman Mulkam	1190 Lakeside Road	Parent	Rayman Mulkam
74	Kathy Davies	53 Eastvale Pl.	Parent	Kathy Davies
75	Alan White	53 EASTVALE PL	PARENT	Alan White
76	TANZEEM ANSARI	77-245 KENORA AVE, HAMILTON	PARENT	Tanzeem Ansari
77	Lucie Boudreau	574 Quebec St. Hamilton	Parent	Lucie Boudreau
78	ANGIE LIBERTY	<del>767</del> 767 DUNN AVE	PARENT	Angie Liberty
79	Bobbi-lynn Greenland	583 Waterloo St.	Parent	Bobbi Lynn Greenland
80	Tom Forsyth	544 TATE AVE.	Parent	Tom Forsyth
81	Juan Manuel Ochoa-Ospina	546 Woodward Avenue	Parent	Juan Manuel Ochoa-Ospina
82	Lilian Alvarado	546 Woodward Ave.	Parent	Lilian Alvarado
83	Sandra Prohaska	164 Grace Ave	Alumni	Sandra Prohaska
84	Shervi Perrier	538 WALKER RD	STERRI	Shervi Perrier
85	Chris Bellamy	583 Waterloo St.	Parent	Chris Bellamy
86	Rachel Landry	785 DUNN AVE	Parent	Rachel Landry
87	MARY JANE BASILIO	65 BIRCH PARK DR.	STAFF	Mary Jane Basilio
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