

West Glanbrook Accommodation Review Committee

Working Group Meeting # 6

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Bell-Stone Elementary School

6025 White Church Road and Nebo Road, Mount Hope, ON

Minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Chair – Sue Dunlop

Voting Members – Amie Vandevrie, Trisha Woehrle, Karen Stewart, Janet Lewis, Melanie Holjak

Non-Voting Members – Rob Maudsley

Regrets

Voting Members – Theresa Weylie, Steve Paul, Alyson Brave

Non-Voting Members - Alex Johnstone

Resource Staff

Ian Hopkins

Recording Secretary

Colleen Pyke

Public - 0 public attendees present

1. Call to Order – Chair

2. Agenda

2.1 Additions/Deletions

Addition of item number 6- Next Steps

2.2 Approval of Agenda

Approved by consensus, as amended

3. Minutes from Working Group Meeting #5

3.1 Clarification

None

3.2 Approval of minutes

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Approved by consensus

4. Accommodation Report

4.1 Discussion and Editing

The Accommodation Review Committee's draft report was viewed as an overhead projection. Ian Hopkins explained that the group would read through the report section by section and edit where necessary. He clarified that the first few items in the report are standard in all ARC reports, essentially a summary of what has happened in the process, tailored to each Accommodation Review. The Committee began editing the report. There was a recommendation to add more detail to the Executive Summary, including what the options are. The wording in the recommendation to consider a secondary boundary review was discussed. Various portions of the report were altered to accommodate the Committee's preferences including paragraphs regarding equity, transportation, partnerships, learning environment, facility utilization, etc. Edits were made throughout to wording, grammar, formatting, etc. Ian ensured there will be consistency in using the full names of each school, "Mount Hope Elementary School" and "Bell-Stone Elementary School". He also explained that the appendices will be the Accommodation Review binder's contents. Ian noted to the group that the final staff recommendation includes an analysis of the ARC report.

Sue Dunlop discussed the possibility of having a combined Public/Working Group meeting on January 22nd. It was approved by consensus that tentatively these meetings would be combined.

Ian Hopkins explained the financial summary handout. There was some clarification regarding the timing of capital projects. The Committee wanted to ensure their recommendations for renovations clearly listed 2014 and 2015 completion dates.

There were some questions regarding the reasoning behind Bellmoore's original inclusion in the West Glanbrook Accommodation Review, but it later being removed. Ian noted that a major reason is that Mount Hope and Bell-Stone are in an associated cluster, but Bellmoore is in the Saltfleet cluster. He also explained that there is not an accommodation issue in Bellmoore.

Ian explained that after the report is submitted, Committee members will be required to present it to the Trustees.

5. Public Meeting #4 – January 22nd, 2014

5.1 Presentation

Ian Hopkins reviewed the contents of the upcoming Public Meeting presentation. Committee members will be presenting at this meeting. A Committee member suggested that a slide on financial savings be added.

5.2 Format

The Committee decided on the following questions for facilitated group discussion:

- 1) What are your thoughts on the options presented?
- 2) Is there anything else we should consider?

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Ian will be sending out an email to search for volunteers to present at the meeting. Amie Vandevrie and Melanie Holjak will present if no one volunteers. The presentation will be emailed to the Committee members on Monday for review.

6. Next Steps

Sue Dunlop brought feedback on the possibility of striking a Transition Committee prior to the final Trustee decision. She explained that nothing can be formally done until the Trustees make their decision in May. However, the schools may begin a Steering Committee to discuss possible issues and transition activities that could begin in May.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.