



Halton District School Board

Report Number: 13016

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INFORMATION FOR DECISION

TO: The Chair and Members of the
Halton District School Board

FROM: Naming Committee for Milton #8 elementary school

RE: Shortlist of Names for the Milton #8 elementary school

RECOMMENDATION

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board name the new elementary school located at in 820 Farmstead Drive, Milton (Milton #8) _____.

Background:

The guidelines outlined as part of the Halton District School Board *Administrative Procedure: Naming Schools* state the process in which potential names for a new school are submitted to the Board.

The process calls for suggestion boxes to be distributed to area schools and public libraries in the community. Submissions were received from October 29 until November 23, 2012. A suggestion form was also posted on the Halton District School Board website. Media releases and advertisements were placed in local newspapers, and posters were placed in neighbourhood schools and libraries to encourage participation.

Entries were reviewed by a committee comprised of: Kathy McArthur, the designated school principal; Nancy MacNeill, Trustee Ward 1,6,7,8, Donna Danielle, Trustee, Milton Ward 2,3,4,5, Yaw Obeng, Superintendent of Education for Milton schools, Kathy Prangley, parent representative from Milton #8 Public School, and the Communications Manager.

The naming committee puts forward the following names for your consideration. You will notice two of the names on the shortlist are women who have been community leaders in the Town of Milton. This criterion was considered in our discussions, as there are currently no Milton schools named for women.

Names for consideration for Milton #8:

Anne MacArthur (1909 - 1998) -- Anne MacArthur taught at Milton District High School for 27 years. After retirement in 1973, she devoted many years to politics, becoming the first female Reeve for the Township of Nassagaweya, and then the first female Mayor of the newly annexed Milton after regional government (1974-1976). MacArthur was a prominent community advocate for Milton and devoted much of her life to the community. Anne (Campbell) MacArthur was born in Nassagaweya. She attended Milton schools and graduated from the University of Toronto and the Ontario Teachers College.

Betty Kennedy, OC (1926) -- Betty Kennedy is a Canadian broadcaster, journalist, and retired Senator, who is best known as a panelist on the CBC television show Front Page Challenge (1962-1995). She is the author of two books. In 1982, she was made an Officer of the Order of Canada, in 1983 she was elected to the Canadian News Hall of Fame, and in 1992 she was elected to the Canadian Broadcasting Hall of Fame. She was appointed to the Senate by Prime Minister Jean Chrétien on June 20, 2000. Kennedy is a longtime resident of Milton and was a community leader for many arts, culture and hospital initiatives.

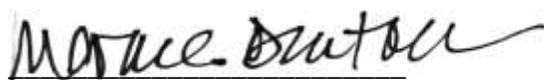
James Michael “Mike” Ledwith (1924 - 2010) -- Former mayor, business owner and devoted community leader. Mike Ledwith was extremely active in the town of Milton for more than six decades, beginning in 1946, when he opened a small grocery store “Ledwith's Food Market” which grew to become a downtown landmark. Ledwith served the town as Mayor in Milton's Centennial year of 1957; he was a Charter Member of the Milton [Rotary Club](#) in 1947 and remained active with the club for more than 60 years. He served on the Milton Hospital Board and the Milton School Board (1950-1956, including a term as chair); and was President of Milton's Evergreen Cemetery for more than 25 years. In the early 1960s, he was named Milton's Citizen of the Year. In 1997, he was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Milton Chamber of Commerce and in 2010 he was recognized by the Town of Milton and the province as Milton's Senior Citizen of the Year.

Willmott – Willmott is the family name of one of Milton's original pioneering families and is the name for the area in which the school is being built. The Town of Milton has designated the John Willmott Farmhouse on Regional Road 24 and the Austin Willmott Farmstead (known as the Ruhl property) on Bronte St South, as heritage buildings.

William Halton – Halton County, created almost 200 years ago (in 1816), was named for young civic administrator who came to Upper Canada in 1806. Born in English in 1769 and served in the British Army during the Napoleonic Wars. In 1805 he served a Private Secretary and Captain of the Naval Dept under Francis Gore. A year later he came to Upper Canada when Gore was named Lieutenant-Governor of the new province. Halton became active in all aspects of the administration of the province, including the significant treaties negotiated with the native people to open up land for settlement on the northern shore of Lake Ontario. In 1816 he was named Provincial Agent for Upper Canada and went back to England where he worked as a broker between the Colonial Office in London and the two legislative houses at York. In spite of opposition, Halton persisted in asking for the settlement of claims issues for those who had defended the province and fought against the Americans during the War of 1812. Although his health was deteriorating, and in spite of criticism for high level officials, he continued to fight for those veterans and their families who had claims.

The list of all the school names submitted, excluding any inappropriate suggestions, is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



Marnie Denton

Manager, Communication Services

Names submitted for Milton #8

- * women from the WW I or II**
+ all submitted on the back of a ballot

*Bessie Scott (WWI)
*Edith Dick (WWII)
*Lilian Wilson (WWII)
*Mary Robertson (WWI)
*Mildred Evans (WWII)
*Nellie Lawson (WWI)
*Olga Sim (WWII)
*Phyllis Mowat (WWII)
+Arber Glen
+Crestview
+Farmdale
+Fernside
+Hollycrest
+Milton Meadows
Agnes McPhail
Alexander Milton Ross
Al-Hudaa
Allama Iqbal
Amelia M. Earhart
Anderson Abbott
Anne MacArthur
Annie Armstrong
Aquafin
Ashling or Aisling
Bayside
Bird Park
Brain Best
Brenda Burke
Bronte Creek
Bronte Heights
Bruce Hood
Cooksville Creek
Dana Public School
David James Elliot
Derry Street School
Devlin
Dewart Downs
Don Elementary
Drury Farmstead

Duncan
Ed Whittlock
Education Village
Elizabeth Gardens
Emily Bronte
Evergreen- New Century
Farmstead
Friendship
Ghandi
Global Village
Goodall
Gord Krantz
Harris Hawk
Harry Edward
Heisenberg
Hillier (Laura Hillier)
Ian Jones
Irma Coulson
Jack Layton
Jacques Cartier
James G Strain
James Snow
Janice Hambrock
Jaroslawski
Jasper Martin/J. Martin
John A MacDonald
John McCrae (Col)
John Peters Humphrey
JW McCutcheon
Katrina Kaif
Kelso View/ Kelso
L.J. Hughes
Laura Second
Liam Nelson
Lincoln Alexander
Louis St Laurent
Lucy Maude Montgomery
Mackintosh
Malala Yousufzai
Mary Long
Michaëlle Jean

Mike Ledwith
Mill Town
Milton Heights
Milton Kings
Milton Memorial
Milton Titans
Mr Luther King Jr
New Horizons
Noah Kosalka
Nora Cheal
One Direction
Ontario's
Park Lane
Park View
Peace
Pleasant View
Rick Nodwell
Robert Hamilton
Robert Pattinson
Roberta Bondar
Senator Betty Kennedy
Sierra Vista
Silver Birch
Sixteen Mile Creek
Spartans
Steam Era
Stephen J Harper
Terry Fox
The Arts
The Bennet
Troy Newton
VE Mitchell/Victor Edwin Mitchell
Vesperia
Waterfield
Wayne Gretzky
Webbster
White Flags
Wild Cats
William A Harrison
William Halton
Willmot
Wm I. Woods