

Halton District School Board

Oakville NE #3 PS and #5 PS Boundary Review Committee

Thursday, October 19, 2023, 7:00-8:30 pm

Boundary Review Steering Committee:

Jonathan Shoss, Jennie Petko, Claire Proteau, David Boag, Amy Collard, Kelly Amos, Carole Baxter, Joanna Oliver, Tanya Rocha, Andrew Capern, Fred Thibeault, Laureen Choi, Marie Hoekstra, Mitchell Gundy.

Boundary Review Committee:

Hiba Rizvi, Jessica Harrison Kerr, Sharmeen Sheikh, Ishaque Khan, Makdas Chaudhry, Sylvia Schorr, Mark Uriarte, Alison MacDougall, Ola Badaarani, Rachel Cameron, Champa Asrani, Jennifer Lo Tessman

Regrets:

Yong Jiang, Dania Javed, Garnel du Preez, Carole Baxter, Jennie Petko, Jimmy Nanda

Meeting Notes:

Meeting starts at 7:02 pm

Introduction

Fred Thibeault introduces himself and co-chair Jonathan Shoss.

The Land and Territory are honored.

The Trustees that are involved in the review are introduced:

- Kelly Amos, Wards 5 & 7
- Tanya Rocha, Wards 3 & 6
- Carole Baxter, Wards 1 & 2
- Joanna Oliver, Ward 4
- Amy Collard, Ward 5

Part 1

BRSC Members:

Jonathan Shoss, Jennie Petko, Claire Proteau, David Boag, Amy Collard, Kelly Amos, Carole Baxter, Joanna Oliver, Tanya Rocha, Andrew Capern, Fred Thibeault, Laureen Choi, Marie Hoekstra, Mitchell Gundy.

BRC members:

- School Representatives, Dr. David R. Williams PS
 - Hiba Rizvi, Jessica Harrison
- School Representatives, Falgarwood PS
 - Sharmeen Sheikh
- School Representatives, Forest Trail PS
 - Davia Javed, Ishaque Khan
- School Representatives, Munn's PS
 - Makdas Chaudhry, Yong Jiang
- School Representatives, Oodenawi PS
 - Jimmy Nanda, Sylvia Schorr
- School Representatives, Palermo PS
 - Garbel Du Preez
- School Representatives, Post's Corners PS
 - Alison MacDougall, Mark Uriarte
- School Representatives, River Oaks PS
 - Ola Badaarani, Rachel Cameron
- School Representatives, Sunningdale PS
 - Champa Asrani, Jennifer Lo Tessman

Ice Breaker

The BRC members are introduced to MentiMetre and JamBoard, both tools that will be used in future meetings to facilitate discussion for working groups on the options.

Housekeeping Items

Meeting etiquette is gone over along with how observers for in person and virtual meetings will be handled for this review.

Emails about the review can be directed to our dedicated email for this review.

oakville3and5@hdsb.ca

Background information

The intent is to establish boundaries for the new Oakville #3 and #5 elementary schools.

The purpose of the review:

1. Review the current boundaries to establish new boundaries for Oakville NE #3 PS and Oakville NE #5 PS
2. Provide enrolment pressure relief to existing schools, and update the holding schools boundaries.
3. Review the delivery of the English and French Immersion programs.
4. Evaluate current student redirections to Palermo PS from Post's Corners PS and Dr. David R. Williams PS.

The Role of The BRC:

Fred went through the Role of the BRC in line with the Board's administrative procedure.

Boundary Review Timeline

Event	Date	Location
BRSC Meeting #1	June 29, 2023	Virtual
BRSC Meeting #2	October 3, 2023	Virtual
BRSC #3/BRC Meeting #1	October 19, 2023	In person
BRSC #4/BRC Meeting #2	October 26, 2023	Virtual
BRSC #5/BRC Meeting #3	November 2, 2023	Virtual
BRSC #6/BRC Meeting #4	November 16, 2023	Virtual
Feedback opens	November 17, 2023	Online
Public Information Meeting	November 23, 2023	Live Stream
Feedback closes	November 27, 2023	Online
BRSC #7/BRC Meeting #5	November 30, 2023	In Person
BRSC Meeting #8 <i>(if required)</i>	TBD If required	Virtual
Board Meeting: Oakville NE #3/#5 PS Recommendation (For Information)	December 6, 2023 or December 20, 2023 <i>(note: may be changed to Dec 13)</i>	Board Meeting
Board Meeting: Oakville NE #3/#5 PS Recommendation (For Approval)	December 20, 2023 <i>(note: may be changed to Dec 13)</i> or January 10, 2024	Board Meeting

Boundary Review page

There is a dedicated webpage for the boundary review on the HDSB website.

Materials from the BRC will be made available there after each of the BRC meetings. Along with timelines and any information that should be communicated to the public about the review.

School messenger communication

Notices have and will be sent to the affected school during the study process.

Boundary review display at schools

A “display” was delivered to all involved schools displaying a QR code that can be scanned sending them to the website.

Part 2

How to Read the Options

The BRC is taken through the “how to read” section of the presentation and introduces them to the options layout and their various components.

Criteria

The list of criteria is gone over.

The BRC members would like to discuss additional criteria during the next meeting.

Scenario Assumptions

- Oakville NE #3 PS opens Sept 2024 (K-7), Oakville NE #5 PS opens Sept 2025 (K-7); Gr8 added the following year
- Oakville NE #4 ps opens Sept 2030, Oakville NE #6 ps opens beyond the 2033/34 school year
- Students redirected from Dr. David R. Williams PS and Post’s Corners PS to Palermo PS are placed back to their homes schools for 2024
- Any movement of students assumes Gr8 students remain at current location to graduate with their cohort
- Need to address the availability of space in existing French programs south of Dundas Street
 - no creation of new French programs
- Need to address overaccommodation pressures at Post’s Corners PS (currently has the maximum of 12 portables)
 - boundary change required

Options

Status Quo

- Dr. David R. Williams
 - French and English
 - Passes Max Capacity in 2024
 - +24 portables required over the next 10 years
- Falgarwood
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Passes Max Capacity 2025-2026
 - +12 portables in 2026
- Forest Trail
 - French
 - Portables not required
- Munn's
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required in 2028
- Oodenawi
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years (declining)
- Palermo
 - English and French
 - No portables required
- Post's Corners
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years
 - Max Capacity reached in 2024
- River Oaks
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years
 - Max Capacity reached in 2024
- Sunningdale
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - No portables required

Option 1

(RED TEXT = notable changes from Status quo)

Summary:

FI remains as is at DrDRW and other holding schools. OAK#3 and OAK#5 are single track K-8 ENG schools. Boundary change for Post's Corners.

- Oakville NE #3 PS
 - Opens for 2024
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2026
 - Max Capacity reached on 2028
- Oakville NE #5 PS
 - Opens 2025
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2029
 - Max Capacity reached on 2032
- Dr. David R. Williams
 - French and English
 - Passes Max Capacity in 2024
 - Portables required over the next 10 years
- Falgarwood
 - English
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Declining enrolment
 - No portables required
- Forest Trail
 - French
 - Portables not required
- Munn's
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required in 2028
- Oodenawi
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years (declining)
- Palermo
 - English and French
 - No portables required
- Post's Corners
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years
 - Max Capacity reached only in 2024
- River Oaks
 - English
 - Portables not required after 2023
 - No longer English holding for north of Dundas St
- Sunningdale
 - French
 - No longer French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - No portables required

Option 2

Summary:

OAK#3 and OAK#5 single track K-8 ENG schools. FI at DDRW is reduced to its own ENG track boundary. Remaining area of North Oakville served by existing holding FI schools. Set new holding schools for OAK#4 and #6. Boundary change for Post's Corners.

- Oakville NE #3 PS
 - Opens for 2024
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2027
- Oakville NE #5 PS
 - Opens 2025
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2030
 - Max Capacity reached on 2033
- Dr. David R. Williams
 - French and English
 - Passes Max Capacity in 2030
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years
- Falgarwood
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Passes Max Capacity 2030
 - Portables needed in 2028
- Forest Trail
 - French
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years
- Munn's
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required in 2028
- Oodenawi
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years (declining)
- Palermo
 - English and French
 - No portables required
- Post's Corners
 - English
 - Portables needed until 2027
 - Max Capacity reached only in 2024
- River Oaks
 - English
 - Portables not needed after 2023
 - No longer holding for north of Dundas St
- Sunningdale

- French
- No longer French holding school for north of Dundas St
- No portables required

Option 3

Summary:

Complete removal of FI schools in North Oakville, served by schools south of Dundas Street.
Set new holding schools for OAK#4 and #6. Boundary change for Post's Corners.

- Oakville NE #3 PS
 - Opens for 2024
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2027
- Oakville NE #5 PS
 - Opens 2025
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2030
 - Max Capacity reached on 2033
- Dr. David R. Williams
 - English
 - French moved to Sunningdale
 - Portables needed for the next 10 years
- Falgarwood
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Passes Max Capacity 2030
 - Portables needed by 2028
- Forest Trail
 - French
 - Portables required over the next 10 years. (minimal)
- Munn's
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required in 2028
- Oodenawi
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years (declining)
- Palermo
 - English and French
 - No portables required
- Post's Corners
 - English
 - Portables needed until 2027
 - Max Capacity reached only in 2024
- River Oaks
 - English

- Portables not needed after 2023
- No longer English holding schools for north of Dundas St
- Sunningdale
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required over the next 10 years

Option 4

Summary:

Complete removal of FI schools in North Oakville, served by schools south of Dundas Street. Set new holding schools for OAK#4 and #6. Boundary change for Post's Corners.

- Oakville NE #3 PS
 - Opens for 2024
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2027
- Oakville NE #5 PS
 - Opens 2025
 - English
 - Portables needed in 2030
 - Max Capacity reached on 2031
- Dr. David R. Williams
 - English
 - French moved to Sunningdale
 - Portables needed for the next 10 years
- Falgarwood
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Passes Max Capacity 2031
 - Portables needed by 2030
- Forest Trail
 - French
 - Portables needed for the next 10 years
- Munn's
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required in 2028
- Oodenawi
 - English
 - Portables needed over the next 10 years (declining)
- Palermo
 - English and French
 - No portables required
- Post's Corners
 - English

- Portables needed over the next 10 years
- River Oaks
 - English
 - Portables not needed after 2023
 - English holding school for north of Dundas St
- Sunningdale
 - French
 - French holding school for north of Dundas St
 - Portables required over the next 10 years

Next Steps

Next meeting. To be a working meeting, discuss the options viability and possible changes.

Questions/Concerns

- Why is the HDSB still building a school size similar to ones with 24 portables on them.
 - Responded that we do not build for peak yield but for the sustainable yield of the school after the peak enrolment moves through. Otherwise the Board would have excess space that it would still need to spend resources on to operate, instead of investing in students.
- Concerns raised about the mental health of students following the pandemic, and to avoid disruptions where possible.
- Changing schools and the availability/losing a spot at child care centers and/or before and after care (at the end of meeting).
- BRC question regarding why Dr. David R. Williams has a max capacity listed at 18 portables when there are 24 there now.
 - The school is able to fit 24 portables on site but that number is not sustainable long term for the school and children.
- The numbers for Oakville #5 reflect the 6 classroom addition that is awaiting Ministry approval, if it is not approved the numbers for that building would drop to 788 pupil places.
- Why does Post's Corners PS numbers drop in option 1 and 2 in 2024?
 - Answer: in 2024 we made the assumption that all redirected students will be returning back to their home schools.
 - The boundary change for Post's Corners PS wont take place until Oakville #5 opens in those options.

Next meeting

October 26, 7pm, virtual

Meeting ends 8:51 pm