

PROGRAM VIABILITY

ENGLISH FRENCH PROGRAM STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS

June 15, 2016

WHERE HAVE WE TRAVELLED?

- Two key issues identified
 - Challenge hiring high quality French teachers
 - Small English cohorts in dual track schools
- PVC established to study issues
- Issue studied for 15 months
- Extensive stakeholder consultation

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Program Viability Committee

TIMELINE	ACTION	MESSAGES / COMMUNICATION	RESPONSIBILITY
June 10, 2015	Board Presentation	Board Report #15081 PVC Report	Stuart Miller
Sept 10, 2015	Board Presentation	Board Report #15114 PVC Public Consultation Report	Stuart Miller
Oct 16, 2015	Phase I Public Meetings announced. Announce dates, time, location of public meetings on Oct 26,27 and Nov 2, 3 Objective : Create awareness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Website materials posted (linked from homepage to P & S , rotating image) - Tweet - Syner-email to all parents - News release (Oct 16, 2015) - Ads in newspapers (Oct 22) 	Marnie Denton Sarah Gallaher Susan Milson
Oct 26, 27, Nov 2, 3	Public Meetings: Nelson High School White Oaks Secondary School Milton District High Georgetown District High School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation about issues and challenges with English and French program viability 	Stuart Miller, Dom Renzella
Oct 27 and on-going	Question & Answers posted on website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Post answers to questions asked during public information meetings. 	Julie Hunt Gibbons
October 30 -Nov 6	Video tape public meetings and post on website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - posted 	Kevin Raposo /Jack Chabowski Sarah Gallaher
Dec 1, 2015	Presentation to SEAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Share the work of the Program Viability Committee 	Stuart Miller
Dec 8, 2015	Presentation to Student Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Share the work of the Program Viability Committee 	Stuart Miller

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Dec 10, 2015	Announce Phase I completed. Share process and timelines for gathering input in Phase II : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Questionnaire 2. focus groups 3. School council involvement 4. School admin and teachers 5. Students (student senate) 6. SEAC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Email admin to share in school communication/newsletters. - Synre-email to all parents (Dec 10, 2015) - Create new link on homepage and post on website (Dec 10, 2015) . - Update website - Tweet 	Marnie Denton/Jason Misner
Dec 16, 2015	Presentation to Board	- Board Report 16001 French Recruitment	Tricia Dyson
Dec 18, 2015	Provide PowerPoint sent to all administrators for school council meetings	Talking points provided for administrators	David Boag
Jan, Feb, Mar	School Council Presentations	PVC Presentation shared with Councils and feedback collected	David Boag, School Principals
Jan 5, 2016	Inform parents who do <u>not</u> currently have students in our schools to provide input thru questionnaire.	<p>Posters distributed to all HDSB Childcare partners</p> <p>Posters mailed to all Halton Region licensed daycares (320 in total).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emailed by Leanne Pesowski to all HDSB daycare partners. - Mail list provided by by Gwyneth Schermel, Halton Region
Jan 6, 2016	QUESTIONNAIRE LIVE Jan 6-29th Test link to survey. Provide link to survey by synre-email to all HDSB parents.	Syner-email to all parents to send Wed Jan 6 with link to questionnaire.	Marnie Denton/Jason Misner
Jan 6, 2016	Communicate to community members/public to provide input via live questionnaire. Questionnaire open Jan 6-29, 2016	<p>News release indicating that survey is live.</p> <p>Tweet to all followers</p> <p>Newspaper ad in all Halton papers on Jan 7</p> <p>HDSB website information updated and linked to questionnaire.</p>	<p>Marnie Denton/Jason Misner</p> <p>Marnie Denton/ Susan Milson</p>

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Jan 19, 2016	Reminder message to all parents of online questionnaire and impact on future delivery.	Syner-email to all parents Design rotating image for homepage slider	Marnie Denton Caroline Brown
Jan 27, 2016	FOCUS GROUPS - message to all parents inviting participation in focus groups.	Syner-email to all parents Deadline for participating Feb 1 Randomly selected. Will be notified 7-10 days prior to Focus Groups Held in all Halton communities	Jason Misner
Jan 29, 2016	Website update about focus groups	Same as above .	Marnie / Jason
Feb 1, 2016	Presentation to SEAC	Share information about program viability and obtain feedback	David Boag
Feb 2, 2016	Website update	Focus Groups are now full.	Marnie / Jason
Feb 3, 2016	Board Presentation	Report # 16019 PVC and Primary Core French Update	David Boag
Feb 8, 2016	Presentation to Student Senate	Share information about program viability and obtain feedback	David Boag
Feb 16 – March 10	Focus groups held in all Halton communities, all formats of program (single track, dual, etc)	5 in Oakville; 5 in Burlington 3 in Milton; 2 in Halton Hills.	IPSOS
Feb 24, 2016	All staff received email to participate in online staff questionnaire until March 11	Email sent to all staff in the system	Karen Moorecroft
Feb 29-Mar 13/16	Staff Survey open for feedback	Interested staff complete survey	David Boag
March 23, 2016	Website update – posted on HDSB home page	IPSOS focus groups complete. Online questionnaire now closed. Principals shared PVC presentation with School Councils and collected feedback. HDSB staff invited to give input on staff questionnaire.	Jason /Marnie

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March 23, 2016 (cont'd)	Website update – posted on HDSB home page	Student input gathered via Student Senate. SEAC members consulted at Feb SEAC mtg. Next Steps explained - PVC to make recommendation to Director of Ed. Report expected at Board meeting in May. Community members may delegate board.	Jason /Marnie
May 11, 2016	PVC Presentation share with Committee of the whole	Shared preferred options of the PVC	David Boag
May 12, 2016	Website update – posted on HDSB home page	Trustees were updated re: PVC. Links to all stakeholder feedback (exec. summary of stakeholder feedback, IPSOS Focus Groups, summary of written input from online public questionnaire. Timeline of meetings /decisions making (June 1 and 15 meetings) .	Jason / Marnie
May 12, 2016	Syner-email to all parents	Public consultation is complete. Recommendation to trustees June 1 Decision June 15. Presentation to Comm of the Whole on May 11 is posted on website. (includes presentation and stakeholder feedback).	Jason /Marnie
May 30, 2016	Delegation Evening announced	Media Release issued Tweeted to followers	Marnie/Jason
June 1, 2016	Board Presentation	Board Report # 16096 PVC Recommendations	David Boag
June 2, 2016	Board PVC presentation made available to the public	Posted on Board website	Marnie/Jason
June 7, 2016	News release – PVC delegation night June 13 and decision June 15	Linked to report number Tweet to all followers	David Boag/Marnie /Jason

OPTIONS

- 14 options generated initially
- 4 options shared for stakeholder feedback
- New and Hybrid options welcome
- Additional study of Ontario models prompted 2 additional options with high intensity = 6 options
- Narrowed to 3 preferred options by PVC
- Option 6, 100%, Gr 2 Entry recommended

CONSIDERATIONS

- Competing priorities, conflicting perspectives
- Viability in both English and French programs
- May still be future challenges with any potential change in model
- Implementation, Timeframe, Disruption
- We require the best possible solution for the HDSB

OPTION 6 - Gr 2 ENTRY, 100%

- Meets criteria of PVC
- Early entry, high intensity, more informed decision making by families
- No additional boundary reviews
- Allows grand parenting - existing FI students
- Ease of implementation
- 1 year wait time to plan for implementation

Questions

