

Halton District School Board

ERA 102 Boundary Review Committee

Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 7:00-9:00 pm

New Street Education Centre/Gary Allan High School - Lockhart Room

Notes

Staff Present:

Gord Truffen, John Pennyfather, Michelle D'Aguiar, Amy Collard, Jeanne Gray, Margo Shuttleworth, Mitchell Gundy, Rob Eatough, Domenico Renzella

BRC Members:

Cindy Titford, Karen Armstrong, Tracy King, Sarah Abrajian, Katie Goes, Tara Bishop, Shannon Daddario, Melanie Cronyn, Sarah Oswald-Ironside

Regrets:

Jill Roberts

- Welcome to the Boundary Review Committee 7:00pm
- Introductions
 - Superintendent Truffen welcomes back the committee.
- Acceptance of notes from February 26, 2019
 - No comments.
- Purpose and Process Goals
 - The purpose of this boundary review is to rebalance the enrollments at John T Tuck, Frontenac, Pauline Johnson, Ryerson and Tecumseh
 - Provincial changes to class size will have no bearing to the review.
 - The Process Goals are:
 - Work collaboratively to examine the initial boundary options generated by the Steering Committee.
 - Provide detailed feedback on the initial options, request modifications or additional options if required.
 - Over the course of a number of working meetings and based upon a set of agreed upon criteria, the committee will arrive at one or more preferred options.
 - Preferred option(s) submitted to the Steering Committee to be considered for recommendation to Administrative Council and the Director.
 - Final recommendations will be developed through a consensus process;

- Parent representatives speak on behalf of all students, regardless of school, program, or grade.
 - Staff's role on the committee is as a resource - to respond to inquiries and to provide committee members with the data and administrative experience required to assess options.
- Selection Criteria
 - Viability of Program
 - Proximity to schools
 - Portables and Portapaks
 - Balance of overall enrolment
 - Stable, long-term boundaries
 - Transportation
 - Fiscally Responsible
 - Student Experience
 - Other
- Options remaining
 - Options 3b, 4b, 4c, 4d
 - Addition of Option 7 and 8.
- New options
 - Option 7
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the John T Tuck area north of New St. In 2020 grade K-5 are redirected to Ryerson.
 - Grade 6 added in 2021.
 - Grade 7 & 8 are directed to Tecumseh or John T Tuck. (no change from the status quo for these grades).
 - Split grade 6 cohort.
 - Pauline Johnson redirected to Frontenac
 - Unified cohort. Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - No change to John T Tuck south of New St.
 - Option 8
 - Tecumseh K-6 boundary expands to include the area west of Cumberland Ave that currently attends (Ryerson).
 - In 2020 grade K-5 are redirected to Tecumseh.
 - Grade 6 added in 2021.
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the JTT area north of New St.
 - In 2020 grade K-5 are redirected to Ryerson.
 - Grade 6 added in 2021.
 - Grade 7 & 8 are directed to John T Tuck.
 - Unified cohort.
 - PJ redirected to Frontenac – so it is a unified cohort. Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.

- No change to JTT south of New St.
- BRC breaks for discussion 7:19pm
- BRC comes back from discussion 7:34pm
- Results from discussion.
 - Both options don't do much for Tecumseh.
 - Increasing students at Tecumseh in option 7.
 - These do not balance enrolments to Tecumseh.
- Group A's points
 - The new options are not viable for all schools.
 - There are students that could walk to schools, but are bussed to another.
 - It addresses portables.
 - Doesn't address overall enrolment.
 - Transportation data is not available.
 - They are fiscally responsible.
 - Student experience is not addressed at Tecumseh.
 - These options only address one school, not all of them.
- Group B's points
 - The new scenarios are viable.
 - Proximity is an issue.
 - Portables are reduced at John T Tuck.
 - Enrolment is balanced, example is the reduction at John T Tuck.
 - Stable long term boundaries, keeps the boundary around 100% for John T Tuck.
 - Bussing is reduced for John T Tuck.
 - Fiscally responsible by reducing port at John T Tuck.
 - Students that grow up together stay together.
- Option 3b
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the John T Tuck area north of New St.
 - In 2020 grade K-5 are redirected to Ryerson.
 - Grade 6 added in 2021.
 - Ryerson is redirected to Tecumseh PS. Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - Becomes a unified cohort.
 - Pauline Johnson redirected to Frontenac
 - Unified cohort.
 - Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - No change to John T Tuck south of New St.
- Option 4b
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the John T Tuck area north of New St.
 - In 2020 grade K-5 are redirected to Ryerson.
 - Grade 6 added in 2021.

- Students entering grade 7 west of Walker's line are redirected to Tecumseh, east of Walker's Line remain at John T Tuck.
 - Split grade 6 cohort.
 - Pauline Johnson redirected to Frontenac
 - Unified cohort.
 - Phasing starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - No change to John T Tuck south of New St.
 - Option 4c
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the John T Tuck area north of New St.
 - In 2020 JK is redirected to Ryerson.
 - One grade added in consecutive years.
 - Students entering grade 7 west of Walker's line are redirected to Tecumseh, east of Walker's Line remain at John T Tuck.
 - Pauline Johnson redirected to Frontenac
 - Unified cohort. Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - No change to John T Tuck south of New St.
 - Option 4d
 - Ryerson expands east of Walker's Line to include the John T Tuck area north of New St.
 - In 2020 K-1 is redirected to Ryerson.
 - One grade added in consecutive years.
 - Students entering grade 7 west of Walker's line are redirected to Tecumseh, east of Walker's Line remain at John T Tuck.
 - Split grade 6 cohort.
 - Pauline Johnson redirected to Frontenac
 - Unified cohort. Starting with grade 7 in 2020, and grade 7 & 8 in 2021.
 - No change to John T Tuck south of New St.
 - Options removed
 - Option 4c
 - Removed
 - Due to phasing
 - Option 7
 - removed
 - Options remaining for public meeting
 - Option 3b
 - Option 4b
 - Option 4d
 - Option 8
 - A letter will be sent out regarding the public meeting.
 - The format of the meeting will not be open microphone.
 - There will be 4 corners that will have staff to answer questions.
 - Each corner will have an identical setup.

- The 4 options will be at each of the corners.
- Public Meeting
 - April 30th, 2019
 - Beginning at 7:00pm
 - The BRSC will share 4 options with the public.
 - Laptops will be available to fill out the feedback form at the meeting.
 - We can answer more questions by breaking into 4 groups instead of doing an open microphone setup.
 - A parent feedback form will be available on the night of the meeting for the public to give feedback.
- Delegations
 - The bylaw is on the website and linked at the bottom of the review page
- The next meeting is the public meeting on April 30, 2019.
- BRC meeting ends 8:51pm