



District School Board Ontario North East

Accommodation Review Public Meeting
For
Coronation Public School
Flora MacDonald Public School
Queen Elizabeth Public School

February 4, 2009

7:10 P.M.
Coronation Public School

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rosemary Pochopsky	Chairperson of the Accommodation Review Committee
Steve Pladzyk	Superintendent of Schools
Bert Schaffer	Trustee
Rob Galloway	Local Business Representative
Alberta Litt	School Council Representative – Coronation PS
Saunders Porter	Board Chair
Dianne Gaudreau	Recording Secretary

VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Barry Peterson	Superintendent of Business
Peter Osterberg	Trustee

REGRETS:

Linda Knight	Director of Education
Heather Bozzer	Trustee
Pat Bamford	Municipal Representative
Peter Pidskany	School Council Representative – Queen Elizabeth PS
Tracy Hautenen	School Council Representative – Flora MacDonald PS

CALL TO ORDER:

Rosemary Pochopsky, Chairperson of the Accommodation Review Committee for Coronation Public School, Queen Elizabeth Public School and Flora MacDonald Public School called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm with approximately 11 school and community members present, stating that this was our 4th and last public meeting. Rosemary stated that this evening's agenda would focus on a power point presentation and results of a survey from Coronation Public School.

Introductions:

Introductions were made. Barry Peterson, Superintendent of Business and Peter Osterberg, Trustee joined the meeting online via teleconference.



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PRESENTATION:

Calvin Ferrier – Coronation School Council shared with the Committee a power point presentation the results of a survey from parents of Coronation Public School.

(Copy attached which will be posted on our Board website)

Questions/comments raised from those in attendance:

- **Tammy Ferron** - parent commented that it would have been beneficial to know, of the parents who completed the questionnaire, how many of those parents also have other children at other schools in our Board.

Much discussion was focused on the process and the next steps for this Accommodation Review:

- **Sandro Purificati - Queen Elizabeth Public School Committee** - thanked Coronation School Council for putting the survey together, which was a good and effective way of providing input into this decision. Sandro also questioned how the Committee will arrive at a decision?

Rosemary Pochopsky, Chairperson of the Accommodation Review Committee, briefly explained that this was the last public meeting, and the next steps were now for the Accommodation Review Committee to meet and focus on the presentations made during the public consultations, including those by Queen Elizabeth Public School and Coronation Public school. The Committee will also refer and consult with the Ministry guidelines, to make the best decision for the students. Reporting dates are:

- March 17th, 2009 - report to Administration from the Accommodation Review Committee
- May 19th, 2009 - Administration Report and Accommodation Review Committee Report goes to the Board for a vote
- **Steve Pladzyk, Superintendent of Schools** requested that the Board consider holding the May 19th, 2009 Board Meeting at one of the schools rather than at the Board Office.



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- **Lee-Ann Wearing, Principal of Queen Elizabeth Public School**, stated that herself, and both principals at Coronation Public School and Flora MacDonald Public School would be getting questions from parents as to how this decision will be communicated to them.

Steve Pladzyk, Superintendent of Schools responded that this would probably occur through our Board website.

Lee-Ann Wearing asked if the Board would consider sending a form letter to the schools for distribution to the parents.

ADJOURNMENT:

Rosemary Pochopsky thanked everyone in attendance and adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.