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PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW (PAR) PAC WORKING GROUP MEETING #5

TO: PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW COMMITTEE (PAC)
DATE: February 17, 2009 AT MONSIGNOR LEE SCHOOL
RE: ORILLIA AREA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY REVIEW, 2008/2009

1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

2. OPENING PRAYER

3. REVIEW OF MINUTES

There were no errors or omissions noted by committee members.

4. BUSINESS ARISING

Nothing discussed.

5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Provided to members for their binders.

6. DRAFT SCHOOL SPECIFIC VALUATION REPORTS

The Draft School Valuation Reports were presented to the committee by individual school group.

The following are highlights from each presentation:

FOLEY

Presented by: Sharon Turlej

1. Exposed to Catholic Values
2. Close proximity to Church (St. Andrew's Parish)
3. Outstanding Leadership Role Opportunities
4. State of the Art Gym
5. Smaller School means everyone can participate on sports teams
6. Strong Community presents and historical significance
7. Everyone participates in 'Spirit Teams', including staff and students
8. Special Needs opportunities, therefore, no one is excluded
9. Community and Family Oriented
10. Split Grades (staff must ensure good communication in order to accommodate)
11. Only Catholic School in the area

Statement: * A change in boundaries would benefit the school by increasing enrolment.

GUARDIAN ANGELS

Presented by: Paul Frederick

1. Only opportunity for primary education within our School Board
2. Close proximity to Church (Guardian Angels Parish-Key Strength)
3. Strong Sense of Leadership Opportunities for Younger Students
4. Under Capacity/Utilized
5. Leased School
6. Strong Significance with School and City
7. Little People, Little Problems
8. Location – Very Central where everything is walkable and great exposure for the Board on West Street and adjacent to the Parish
9. Fenced Yard for the students safety
10. Smaller staff means fewer issues &/or easier to be addressed
11. Prohibitive to Repair School
12. Only real issue is needing more students

Question: What is the impact of the Lion's Oval development on Guardian Angels?

Answer: Not sure how this will impact the number of students

Comment: The Catholic School board has an agreement with the Public Board to continue to use Oval property for Guardian Angels parking and bus drop off.

Question: *Do you have a pupil distribution number for the number of students that could go to Guardian Angels but have chosen to go to Monsignor Lee under grade 4.

Answer: We will work on getting this information for the committee.

MONSIGNOR LEE

Presented by: Paul Campbell

1. Positive Community
2. Rich History (intergenerational)
3. Co-curricular activities are exceptional – broad range of sports and other activities
4. Programming space has limitations – lack of resource rooms, no space for exceptions
5. Concern with amount of field space
6. Trying to make the best of the available space
7. Traffic flow between pedestrians, cars, and busses is a safety concern
8. Storage space is an issue – cannot accommodate existing resources
9. Prime Location – Lots of activities (i.e. Golf Course) within walking distance
10. Visitor and staff washroom is a concern – 1 for 28 staff + visitors
11. Single story, however, not all access points are ‘accessible’, therefore challenging
12. Partial Prohibitive to Repair School

Question: Why are enrolment numbers so low?

Answer: Catchments area and low growth.

NOTRE DAME

Presented by: Adrian Zulian

1. EQAO scores are very positive
2. Newest school of all others in this review area
3. Very Large Site Size
4. Daycare Facility to Support Community and current JK/SK students on off days. Before/After program within 2 classrooms to Support Students
5. Drama Productions, including grades 1-8
6. Currently Large # bussed – City sidewalks are planned for 2010 (currently safe route to school is a huge problem)
7. Large use of school and play field for students and community (Huronia Stallions)
8. Biggest need is for a Kiss-N-Ride
9. Student supervision can be difficult due to adjacent Hwy across large play field
10. Kindergarten play area is fenced & gated

Comments:*Notre Dame is the closest school to the new subdivision and the only one in the West Ridge area.

*Notre Dame gained 29 new students in 08/09 so far.

*Biggest need of school is kiss n’ride.

*Board site has Reading Recovery training (it's the only one north of Barrie).

ST. BERNARD's

Presented by: Bob Kennedy

1. Rising EQAO scores
2. Lots of co-curricular opportunities to Focus on Church
3. Teachers/Families/Volunteers make it what it is – providing students with lots of opportunities, positive reinforcement and better respect is helping
4. Services a Large Geographical Area
5. Triple PPP Parenting Course for the Community
6. Significant Security / Safety Issues to be addressed (increased police presence)
7. Kindergarten Play area is adjacent Oxford Street
8. Facility is completely inadequate – (ie. Facets), although school is working well because of students and staff
9. Prohibitive to Repair

Comments: *The school community would be better with a new facility
*Positive reinforcement is providing better respect within the school.

Question: Would problems increase with a new building?

Answer: Do not think so.

7. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Comment: By: Jim Canning Re: Libraries

*Should we be highlighting some of these types of spaces i.e.) libraries; with these valuation reports.

8. NEXT STEPS

At the next public meeting the PAC will receive community input on school specific valuation frameworks and in the next group meeting on March 10 we will discuss the input and accommodation options.

9. CLOSING PRAYER

10. NEXT PUBLIC MEETING: March 26, 2009 at Guardian Angels School

11. ADJOURNMENT

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The Pupil Accommodation Review Committee (PAC) met on February 17, 2009 and the following members were:

PRESENT:	Paul	Campbell	Principal	Monsignor Lee
	Janet-Lynne	Durnford	Teacher Rep.	Monsignor Lee
	Rhonda	Lauer	Non Teaching Rep.	Monsignor Lee
	Jeff	Duggan	Chair	Monsignor Lee
	Karen	Murphy	Teacher Rep.	Guardian Angels
	Janice	Tulipano	Non Teaching Rep.	Guardian Angels
	Christine	Fry	Co-Chair	Guardian Angels
	Eilleen	Brown	Parent	Guardian Angels
	Michelle	Tazzeo	Parent	Guardian Angels
	Paul	Frederick	Principal	Guardian Angels
	Audrey	Hamilton	Principal	Foley
	Theresa	Robertson	Teacher Rep.	Foley
	Carol	Taylor	Parent	Foley
	Sharon	Turlej	Parish Rep.	Foley
	Adrian	Zulian	Principal	Notre Dame
	Heather	Stanton	Co-Chair	Notre Dame
	D'Agnillo	Teacher/Parent	Teacher/Parent	Notre Dame
	Brenda	Lawlor-MacDonald	Teacher Rep.	St. Bernard's
	Darlene	England	Parent	St. Bernard's
	Robert	Kennedy	Parent	St. Bernard's
	Kristie	Anderson	Parent Council	St. Bernard's
	Paul	Spears	Councillor	City of Orillia
	Glenn	Clarke	Controller of Plant	SMCDSB
	Darren	Schmidt	Superintendent of Schools	SMCDSB
Jim	Canning	School Trustee	SMCDSB	
Jennifer	Sharpe	Manager of Planning and Properties	SMCDSB	
Kristin	Dibble Pechkovsky	Planning Officer	SMCDSB	
Deacon	Harris	Parish Rep.		
ABSENT:	Megan	Bondy		Monsignor Lee
	Sandra	Downer		Monsignor Lee
	Joyce	Stanga	Parish Rep.	Guardian Angels
	Sherri	Black	Chair	Foley
	Sue	Peacock	Chair	Notre Dame
	Kevin	Strong	Vice Principal	Notre Dame
	Rich	Foshay	Principal	St. Bernard's
	Valinda	Trivett-Cockburn	Non Teaching Rep.	St. Bernard's
John	O'Donnell	Councillor, Ward 2	Township of Ramara	
REGRETS:	Karen	Whalen	Parent	Foley
	Heather	Shier	Non Teaching Rep.	Foley
	Nadine	Lajoie	Teacher & Parent	Notre Dame