

NCDSB Boundary Review Committee Meeting  
Monday, October 21, 2012

Minutes

Attendees:

NCDSB Director of Education, Glenn Sheculski  
ECCS Parent Representatives: Rachel Batisse and Billie Richer  
ECCS Principal, Lori Hurtubise  
St. Patrick Catholic School Parent Representatives: Karen Lafreniere and Todd Bosak  
St. Patrick Catholic School Principal, Chris Collins  
Community Relations Officer, Andrew Marks  
NCDSB Board of Trustees Chair, Richard Brassard and Trustee Martin Drainville  
North East Tri-Board Student Transportation Representative, Deborah Smith

Meeting called to order at 7:25 pm

Copies of the comments from the 1<sup>st</sup> Public Meeting that took place in Temagami, and copies of the 7 comments received through email and through the feedback form located on the NCDSB website were provided to all members of the BRC.

Andrew provided 3 answers to outstanding questions that Billie had asked for (they included a description of how a school capacity is determined and some stats on Grade 8 students and current year JK students numbers by school and forecasted JK students numbers for next year by school).

All reviewed the documentation.

The discussion began around the issue of the the notice that had been presented as the "grandfathering" of current students travelling from Temagami to ECCS.

Discussion took place around how this should be supported to limit the stress and changes to potential students who have built relationships and supports at current schools. It was noted that for special needs students this is crucial. In the discussion around grandfathering students who currently attend ECCS, it was noted this is the right thing to do.

A comment about why this process was required, when very little change may occur was made, and it was noted by Glenn that the Board wanted to receive

public comment and ensure that everyone had an opportunity to present their views. Rick noted that the Board of Trustees operates in a transparent and fiscally responsible fashion. It is crucial to include our Catholic stakeholders (including Parents and our Communities).

A discussion on the Boundary Map took place and it was determined that the North East Tri-Board Student Transportation Consortium would work out some scenarios and run some mock bus runs to determine timing and costs for proposed Boundary changes.

Boundary Review Committee Recommendations:

1. NCDSB would grandfather all current students and future siblings that attend ECCS.
2. NCDSB support a boundary change in the Latchford South and Lorraine Valley areas to allow students living in these areas to attend St. Patrick Catholic School effective 2014 (see attached Map).

Glenn thanked everyone for their time and commitment to the Boundary Review Process and for their input and adjourned the meeting.

Attachments:  
NCDSB Boundary Map