

MINUTES
PUPIL ACCOMMODATION PUBLIC MEETING
DATE: April 3, 2017
St. Gabriel Lalemant
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS AND DISCUSSION	NOTES	FOLLOW UP REQUIRED	RESPONSIBILITY OF
<u>In attendance at Sacred Heart:</u> Kevin Malcolm, Superintendent of Education Colin Johnston, Officer Trustees' Services Garry Tanuan, Trustee Ward 8 John Gioia, Principal – St. Gabriel Lalemant Chris Nazar, Principal – Sacred Heart Annemarie Muir, Principal – St. Bede Paola Cherrier, Principal – Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Barbara Leporati, TCDSB, Supervisor, Planning <u>PARC Members:</u> St. Gabriel Lalemant: Megan Howell, Tessa Williams, Sameia Hussain Sacred Heart: Yvette Hunt St. Bede: Lulu Paras- Fox, Patricia Alexis, Deslyn Jack, Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati: Claudia Dioleta			
Opening Prayer	Kevin Malcolm		
Opening Remarks and the Process so Far	Kevin Malcolm		

Recap of St. Gabriel Lalemant CSPC Meeting: John	Approximately 30 families in attendance. Some reservations about the distance to St. Bede. The overall sentiment was that they would still prefer that Lalemant stay open. Desire to have final public meeting at Lalemant. Discussion around organizing a bus to board for delegations.		
Comment: Megan	Still a lot of anger in the community. Feel targeted. Sense that there isn't anything being offered in return for school closing		
Question: Kevin	Was there a preference in amalgamation location? Megan – Leaning towards St. Bede due to the increased bussing options.		
Comment: Megan	Also some concern about several home daycares that walk students home from SGL		
Comment Anne Marie	Malvern Family Resource Centre operate an after school program for \$45 per year serving students up to grade 6		
Comment Garry	Budget projects to balance without need for more consolidations. Committee may want to consider that.		
Question Garry	Can we have committee meetings following the public meeting? Barbara - If necessary. Once again no minimum numbers of meetings		
Question Tessa	What happens if St. Bede is off the table and the Board choose to close SGL anyways? Barbara - The Board has multiple options. Original staff recommendation. They could go for further		

	consultation. Hard to predict exactly what will happen		
Question Kevin	<p>Is the Committee ok with a public meeting April 25th? *Please note meeting rescheduled to May 23rd*</p> <p>John – The overall sentiment is that the school does not want to close. In the event that closure is inevitable they would like x-y-z. If that can be included the community is okay to proceed.</p> <p>Barbara – The goal is for any report to accurately reflect the sentiments of the committee and community</p>		
Question Sameia	<p>Is Board staff okay with bussing to St. Bede?</p> <p>Barbara – It’s viable. It would be somewhat strange boundary but nothing crazy.</p>		
Question John	<p>Does the language of the report, the way it’s written, affect the way the Board of Trustees vote on the item?</p> <p>Garry – It can. Depends on the options provided, deputations etc...</p>		
Question John	<p>Does putting an option “If we have to close,” hurt the case for staying open?</p> <p>Kevin – To a point, but leaving it out also increases the risk of not getting what the community is looking for.</p>		

	Paula – Suggestion that you weight the committee recommendations on the report to heavily stress reasons not to close with a smaller portion dedicated to preferred options should closure be inevitable		
Question Kevin	<p>What would a public meeting look like?</p> <p>Barbara - Present original scenario. Then committee option. Answer questions about recommendation. * Staff would give overview. SGL would present for 20 minutes. Staff would then answer questions.*</p>		
Note Kevin	One final committee meeting following the Public meeting.		
Next Meeting Date	Public Meeting April 25 th * Since rescheduled to May 23rd * Committee meeting May 2nd		