

Boundary Review Special Ad Hoc Committee Meeting #3 -Paris

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

5 pm

MS Teams Virtual Meeting

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Grand Erie Staff: Chair, W. Baker, Superintendent of Education

R. Wyszynski, Superintendent of Business K. Graham, Superintendent of Education

J. Cottam, Principal St. George German Public School R. Garnier, Principal North Ward Public School L. Hearn, Principal Glen Morris Central Public School C. MacDonald, Principal Cobblestone Elementary School

J. Merrick, Principal Paris District High School

A. Schuyler, Principal Burford District Elementary School

J. Pathak, Planning Officer

Community: M. Francis, Paris

C. Kaufman, Paris Central School Parent Council
L. Keefe, Paris Central School Parent Council
B. Kenney, Paris Central School Parent Council
S. Nash, Cobblestone Public School Parent Council

M. Shewburg, Glen Morris Central Public School Parent Council

Trustees: R. Collver

T. Waldschmidt

Absent with Regrets: M. Pearson, North Ward Public School Parent Council Co-Chair

M. Fairfax, Glen Morris Central Public School Parent Council

N. Hercanuck, Planning Supervisor

Y. Rutherford, North Ward Public School Parent Council

M. Starratt, Burford District Elementary School

L. Woloshin, North Ward Public School Parent Council C. Balog, Paris District High School Parent Council L. Reuben, Principal Paris Central Public School

Recorder: W. Kipp, Executive Assistant

A - 1 Opening

(a) Welcome

Superintendent Wyszynski read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

(b) Agenda Additions/Deletions/Approval

Boundary Review Special Ad-Hoc Meeting #2 minutes approved.

B-1 Boundary Review Options

- (a) Option #1 Move French Immersion (FI) students from Paris Central School (PCS) to Burford District Elementary School (BUR).
- (b) Option #2 Change boundaries for North Ward School (NWS), PCS, Cobblestone Elementary School (COB), Glen Morris Central Public School (GLE) and St. George-German Public School (SGG) to fill all excess space at all outlying schools. Add portables to NWS, GLE and SGG if required.









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(c) Option #3 - Move Grade 7 and 8 to Paris District High School (PDHS)

C-1 **Information**

J. Merrick, Principal Paris District High School (PDHS) stated there is very little room at PDHS for grades 7 & 8's.

BUR has 3 empty classrooms available.

A suggestion is to move grade 7 and 8's to one school to open up spaces at surrounding schools. Develop a middle school.

Space at each Elementary school involved in this boundary review:

BUR - 3 classrooms - no ability at this time to place portables

NWS – 4 classrooms – possibly space for 3 portables

COB – no space – 2 portables

SGG - 2 classrooms - no set number of portables determined

GLE – 1 classroom – 2 portables

PCS - no empty classrooms - no room for portables

Superintendent Wyszynski, we require numbers to make the decisions for any proposed adjustments.

Intermediate, 7 and 8's Legacy (grandfathering)

Self-contained may have been included in Out of Area numbers where they should not be classified as Out of Area and some addresses are not correct in transportation map which would throw the Out of Area data off.

D-1 Statements

Superintendent Wyszynski, Grand Erie District School Board (Grand Erie) does not have portables to address the Paris area. Portables are expensive with limited funding.

A. Schuyler, Principal Burford District Elementary School, has three empty classrooms. Move French Immersion from PCS to BUR over several years or the entirety for September 1, 2023.

Move three FI classrooms from PCS to Burford, some COB students to PCS, and some PCS to NWS

E - 1 Community Input Questions

Many of the community members agree to remove Option #3 from the list for consideration.

PCS could be a middle school and move K to 6's to surrounding schools.

F-1 Next Steps

Additional meeting to be scheduled to discuss the following options:

- 1. Gather data for Out of Area students, addresses and home schools.
- 2. Maps and numbers to give us a clear picture.
- 3. L. Rueben, Principal Paris Central School send survey to FI families to see if they support moving all French Immersion to Burford. This will help in two ways, open capacity at PCS and fill some classes in BUR.
- 4. The boundary that encompasses the former Paris Grand Golf Course can be changed from PCS boundary to NWS. Compress PCS boundary and expand NWS boundary.



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5. Nith Valley Developments will also be a concern with new builds to take into consideration with this committee.

G - 1 Next Meeting

January 11, 2023, 5:30 – 7:30 pm