



REPORT TO

CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FINAL RECOMMENDATION SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW ST. BRUNO/ST. RAYMOND (WARD 9)

“Eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace”, Ephesians 4:3

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RECOMMENDATION REPORT		

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The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community rooted in the love of Christ. We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge and to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the December 8, 2015 meeting of the Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee, the Board considered the report 'School Accommodation Review, St. Bruno/St. Raymond' (*Appendix 'A1'*) and approved the following amended recommendations:

“That the following recommendations be considered for approval at the meeting of Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee on January 21, 2016.

- i. A business case be developed for submission to the Ministry of Education at the next available opportunity for funding of a replacement school at St. Raymond.*
- ii. After the submission of the business case that, St. Bruno be closed and consolidated at St. Raymond effective September 2017;and*
- iii. The attendance boundaries of St. Bruno and St. Raymond be combined to form the new boundary for St. Raymond.*
- iv. The Director of Education develop a Transition Plan including timelines to facilitate a consolidation.*
- v. Opportunities for enhanced programming at the consolidated school be assessed.”*

B. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to consider public input and to present final recommendations for consideration and approval for the School Accommodation Review for St. Bruno and St. Raymond. There were no delegations and no submissions received at the December 14, 2015 meeting of Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee. The recommendations for consideration and approval of the Board have been amended in accordance with motions made and approved at the December 8, 2015 meeting of Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee.

C. BACKGROUND

1. The ARC submitted its report to the Director of Education on October 19, 2015 (*Appendix 'B'*). It was presented to Trustees at the Board meeting of November 19, 2015.
2. At the December 8, 2015 meeting of the Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee, the Board considered the report *'School Accommodation Review, St. Bruno/St. Raymond'*.
3. There were no delegations or written submissions received at the December 14, 2015 meeting of the Corporate Affairs, Strategic Planning and Property Committee.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

4. The recommendation to close and consolidate St. Bruno into St. Raymond is supported by the Accommodation Review Committee. Consolidation of the two schools will provide many advantages for the students, improved utilization of Board assets, and result in cost savings to the Board. The concentration of students of both school communities are in closer geographic proximity to the St. Raymond site further supporting consolidation of both schools at St. Raymond.
5. Trustees questioned how students to the east of the St. Bruno boundary were currently served. It was suggested that these students could be bussed to St. Bruno to increase enrolment. The area to the east of the St. Bruno boundary and south of St. Clair Ave. W. is part of the Holy Rosary boundary. TCDSB students residing in this area receive bussing to Holy Rosary.
6. Given the high Facility Condition Index (66.5%) of St. Raymond and the configuration of the site, St. Raymond presents the best opportunity to receive Ministry funding through the School Board Efficiencies and Modernization (SBEM) initiative for a replacement facility of an appropriate size to accommodate the combined enrolment of both schools.
7. Pending approval of the recommendations of this report, staff will submit a business case to the Ministry for the funding of a replacement school at St. Raymond under the School Consolidation Capital program.
8. Projects that reduce excess capacity and operating costs, and address renewal needs are eligible for School Consolidation Capital funding. The submission deadline for this funding is February 29, 2016. Projects

submitted through this funding stream must have a final Trustee decision on a School Accommodation Review by March 28, 2016 in order to be considered for funding by the Ministry.

9. Further study of the long term need and potential uses for the closed St. Bruno facility will be undertaken including consideration of a Community Hub, facility partnerships or disposition. Options will be prepared for Board consideration in a future report.
10. A Transition Plan will be developed to facilitate a consolidation that is student friendly and that honours the history and traditions of the school communities. Among matters to be considered in the Transition Plan are: (1) timelines and the organization of student transfer, and (2) the relocation of program materials, equipment and school memorabilia from the closing school to the receiving school. The Transition Plan will be planned in consultation with both school communities, including parents/guardians and school staff.

E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendations be approved;

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