

**South Shore Regional School Board  
School Review 2015-2016  
BJSHS/PVEC School Options Committee Meeting  
Monday, April 18, 2016  
6:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**1. Record of Attendance**

In attendance – Gary Walker, John Biebesheimer, Hope Demone, Siobhan Doyle, Stephanie Martin, Andrea McGinnis, Kim Benjamin, Mitch Foley (arrived 6:55), Iris Charlton, Pam Hebb, Tina Grace, Heather Mackenzie-Carey, Leif Helmer (arrived 6:45), Sarah Tingley, Maja Kelley, Palma Champoux, Erica Moore, Cheryl Veinotte

Regrets – Shelley Mann, Anne Burgess, Allen Sullivan, Melissa Risser

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** by Tina Grace, seconded by John Biebesheimer, to approve the agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3. Approval of April 5, 2016 Minutes**

**MOTION** by Heather Mackenzie-Carey, seconded by Erica Moore, to approve, as amended, the minutes of the April 5, 2016 BJSHS-PVEC SOC Meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Recording Secretary found an error in an SOC Member's name in the Minutes of November 26, 2015.

**MOTION** by Siobhan Doyle, seconded by Kim Benjamin, to revise the Minutes of the November 26, 2015 BJSHS-PVEC SOC Meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4. Review Recommendations for Board Presentation**

The Committee reviewed, in detail, the recommendations from the April 5 meeting. Some modifications were made and many of those modified recommendations will be included in the presentation (Appendix A) Thursday night at the SOC's third and final Public Meeting. Along with the recommendations, the rationale for decisions made by the SOC will be included.

**5. Procedures for Third Public Meeting**

As Facilitator, Mr. Walker will begin the meeting with a review the SOC's mandate and objectives, then will go into the recommendations that will be presented to the Board. The presentation will also include the rationale that goes with the recommendations. The SOC

Co-Chairs, Heather Mackenzie-Carey and Shelley Mann, will answer any questions directly related to the work of the SOC. Board staff will be present to answer other types of questions.

## **6. Next Meetings**

A. Public Meeting – Thursday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., Hebbville Academy

B. Special Board Meetings

The following special meetings have been scheduled:

- Thursday, May 12, 6:30 p.m., BJSHS – SOC Co-Chairs to present Report and Recommendations to Board
- Thursday, May 19, 6:30 p.m., Board Office – Board to discuss Report and Recommendations
- Thursday, May 26, 6:30 p.m., PVEC – Board to make a decision on Report and Recommendations

The Recording Secretary will let the membership know if there is any flexibility in these dates, as May 26 is the junior prom at BJSHS.

## **7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

# South Shore Regional School Board

## School Review of Bridgewater and Park View Families of Schools

Public Meeting #3

April 21, 2016

# Mandate

- The School Options Committee will conduct a review, with public consultation, of Bridgewater and Park View Families of Schools. The review will include catchment area, cross boundary registrations, facility utilization, operational costs, grade configuration, program options, and P3 renewal recommendation.
- The School Options Committee will submit a Report and Recommendations to the School Board which will inform the Board's final decision.

# Review Objectives

1. Make recommendation to the Board that optimizes High School programming options and choices for all students.
2. Review school catchment areas as defined in the Catchment Area Policy.
3. Consider facility utilization and operational costs when making recommendations.
4. Make recommendation to the Board regarding school grade configuration at all schools.
5. Determine whether Bayview School will be needed beyond 2020.

## Objective 1:

Make recommendation to the Board that optimizes High School programming options and choices for all students.

# Recommendations on Objective 1

There was a motion by the SOC to move grades 10-12 students from BJSHS to PVEC.

***(11 for; 7 against)***

*– Rationale – speaks to the mandate of optimizing programming at the high school level.*

Should the Board accept this, the SOC would ask that the following conditions be considered:

# Conditions of Recommendation on Objective 1:

- No students move until interior renovation at PVEC is 100% complete.
- Students move at the beginning of the school year.
- Clear communication from Board to public re plans and changes.
- Immediately address FI, AP, and IB.



# Conditions of Recommendation on Objective 1:

- Immediately appoint Transition Team (SAC, staff, administration, guidance, students) to ensure:
  - students with learning, social, and emotional needs are supported.
  - no learning opportunities lost in transition.
  - additional topics (e.g., scholarships) are addressed as required.

## Objective 2:

Review school catchment areas as defined in the Catchment Area Policy.

Recommend Board review catchment areas with consideration for improving bussing times for all students.

- *Rationale: Believe staff have expertise; need greater parent engagement on this topic; and requires more in-depth review than SOC parameters allow.*

## Objective 3:

Consider facility utilization and operational costs when making recommendations.

- A. Recommend the Board direct Superintendent to evaluate facility utilization and operational costs throughout the SSRSB.
- B. Recommend application to DEECD for Addition and Alteration for BES and BJSHS.
  - *Rationale – to improve current facilities.*

## Objective 4:

Make recommendation to the Board regarding school grade configuration at all schools.

- A. Recommend staff review grade configurations for BES and BJSHS to optimize programming and facility use and space.
  - *Rationale - grade configuration needs to be examined due to moving the grades 10-12 to PVEC.*
- B. Recommend grade configurations at all other Park View feeder schools remain unchanged.
  - *Rationale – SOC feels that Board staff have the expertise to implement changes, if needed.*

## Objective 5:

Determine whether Bayview School will be needed beyond 2020.

Recommend Bayview Community School remain part of the Board's infrastructure beyond 2020.

– *Rationale – there is no benefit to closing.*

# Next Steps

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  - SOC Co-Chairs to present Report and Recommendations to Board
- Thursday, May 19, 6:30 p.m., Board Office
  - Board to discuss Report and Recommendations
- Tuesday, May 24, 6:30 p.m., Hebbville Academy
  - Board to make a decision on Report and Recommendations

# Questions/Comments

- Please use microphone