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TO: John Forbeck, Director of Education & Secretary

FROM: Jamie Gunn, Superintendent of Business & Treasurer

RE: **Haldimand East Elementary – Accommodation Update**

DATE: January 19, 2015

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**Recommended Action:** It was moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ THAT the first meeting of the Haldimand East Elementary Accommodation Review Committee be held on March 4, 2015 at J.L. Mitchener School.

**Background:**

The Board completed a review of elementary pupil accommodation for the Haldimand East review area in June 2011 resulting in the closure of Dunnville Central Public School effective September 1, 2012. At that time the Board also approved the following motion;

“THAT the Quality Accommodations Committee provide a report to the Board regarding accommodations in Haldimand East within three years.”

Updated enrolment and utilization data was provided to the Board in August 2013 and March 2014. At the March 2014 Board meeting the Board approved the following motion;

“THAT the Grand Erie District School Board establish an Accommodation Review of Haldimand East Elementary Schools including Anna Melick Memorial, Grandview Central, Fairview Avenue, Thompson Creek, Rainham Central and J.L. Mitchener Schools to commence Spring 2015”

Policy FT5 – Pupil Accommodation Reviews guides the process for the Accommodation Review Committee work. One of the first steps is the identification of committee members and establishment of the first meeting.

Administration suggests that the first meeting be held on March 4, 2015 at J.L. Mitchener Public School, Cayuga.

**Enrolment and Capacity Utilization Update:**

The following table presents the current and projected enrolments compared to school capacity for the six schools to be included in the review. Current enrolment leaves 400 surplus pupil places in the review area schools and projected enrolments do not suggest that the surplus capacity will be needed in the future.

<b>Haldimand East Enrolment and Capacity Utilization</b>							
	<b>School</b>	<b>2014-15 (Actual)</b>		<b>2018-19</b>		<b>2022-23</b>	
<b>School</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Enrolment</b>	<b>Utilization</b>	<b>Enrolment</b>	<b>Utilization</b>	<b>Enrolment</b>	<b>Utilization</b>
Anna Melick	<b>210</b>	<b>121</b>	57.6%	<b>114</b>	54.3%	<b>115</b>	54.8%
Fairview Avenue	<b>300</b>	<b>281</b>	93.7%	<b>284</b>	94.7%	<b>289</b>	96.3%
Grandview Central	<b>199</b>	<b>148</b>	74.4%	<b>130</b>	65.3%	<b>131</b>	65.8%
J.L. Mitchener	<b>420</b>	<b>284</b>	67.6%	<b>287</b>	68.3%	<b>297</b>	70.7%
Rainham Central	<b>271</b>	<b>240</b>	88.6%	<b>234</b>	86.3%	<b>240</b>	88.6%
Thompson Creek	<b>429</b>	<b>355</b>	82.8%	<b>361</b>	84.1%	<b>369</b>	86.0%
<b>Total for Review Area</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>1,429</b>	78.1%	<b>1,410</b>	77.1%	<b>1,441</b>	78.8%
<b>Surplus Capacity</b>		<b>400</b>		<b>419</b>		<b>388</b>	

Respectfully submitted

Jamie Gunn,  
Superintendent of Business  
& Treasurer