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To: The Chair and Members of the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee

From: Mandy Savery-Whiteway, Director of Education and Secretary of the Board

Re: Prince Edward County Area Accommodation Review Recommendations

## **Purpose**

To bring recommendations to the Trustees as a result of the accommodation review process conducted in the Prince Edward County area.

# **Background**

An accommodation review process was undertaken in the Prince Edward County area as per Policy 15: Student Enrolment/School Capacity: Pupil Accommodation Review which states that a group of schools may be considered for an accommodation review where:

- The school or group of schools will experience an adverse impact on learning opportunities for students due to declining enrolment.
- Reorganization involved the schools will enhance program and learning opportunities for students.
- One or more of the schools is experiencing higher building maintenance or renewal expenses that the average for the system and/or is in need of major capital improvements.

The purpose of the accommodation review was to recommend changes that support:

- More equitable access to program offerings.
- Enriched program offerings wherever possible.
- Continued capacity to deliver special education programs.
- Optimization of resources.

#### Current situation

According to Policy 15: Student Enrolment/ School Capacity: Pupil Accommodation Review, the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee (SE/SCC) will review the final report from administration and public input and prepare its recommendation to the Board. The recommendation will be based on the final report and recommendations from administration, and feedback compiled from the public delegation. The SE/SCC has the discretion to approve the recommendations(s) as presented by administration or to recommend a different outcome for Board consideration.

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#### Recommendation #1

Moved: Seconded:

That the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee recommend that the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve consolidating students from Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School, Queen Elizabeth School (Picton) and Sophiasburgh Central School at Queen Elizabeth School (Picton) to form a Kindergarten - Grade 6 School effective September 2017, as contained in Report No. B-3, dated June 12, 2017.

#### Recommendation #2

Moved: Seconded:

That the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee recommend that the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve the relocation of Grade 7 and 8 students from Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School, Queen Elizabeth School (Picton) and Sophiasburgh Central School to Prince Edward Collegiate Institute creating a Grade 7 – 12 school, effective September 2017, as contained in Report No. B-3, dated June 12, 2017.

## Recommendation #3

Moved: Seconded:

That the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee recommend that the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve consolidating students from Queen Elizabeth School (Picton) and Prince Edward Collegiate Institute at Prince Edward Collegiate Institute creating a Kindergarten to Grade 12 School, effective September 2018, as contained in Report No. B-3, dated June 12, 2017.

## Recommendation #4

Moved: Seconded:

That the Student Enrolment/School Capacity Committee recommend that the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve continuing to explore opportunities for community partnerships for the consolidated school(s), including child care opportunities that are aligned with the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan priorities, as contained in Report No. B-3, dated June 12, 2017.

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Respectfully submitted,

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