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MONSIGNOR UYEN AND OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITIES TO UNDERGO BOUNDARY REVIEW

Trustees for the St. Clair Catholic District School Board have approved a recommendation from Director of Education Paul Wubben that the school communities of Monsignor Uyen and Our Lady of Fatima undergo a boundary review.

The two elementary schools offer both English and French Immersion (FI) programs with JK to Grade 2 FI at Our Lady of Fatima and Grade 3 to 8 FI at Monsignor Uyen. As a result, FI students are required to change schools part way through their elementary school careers.

“The English program at Our Lady of Fatima has continued to maintain a significant student population, which combined with lower class sizes and the future addition of full day kindergarten, means that space will become a problem,” says Mr. Wubben. “There is also a potential for future growth in the student population, as housing continues to be developed within the Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School boundary area.”

A Boundary Review Committee (BRC) will be established. It will be comprised of three members of the Monsignor Uyen Catholic School Community Council and three members of the Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School Community Council, as selected by the school principals. The committee will be chaired by Superintendent of Education Deb Crawford and the two principals will act as resources to the committee.

Up to four meetings of the BRC may be required. The following dates and meeting locations have been scheduled:

- November 8, 2011 at Monsignor Uyen
- January 10, 2012 at Our Lady of Fatima
- February 14, 2012 at Monsignor Uyen
- March 20, 2012 at Our Lady of Fatima

All BRC meetings will be held in public, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Meeting notes will be posted to the Board’s website at www.st-clair.net within ten working days of the meeting date.

Following the final meeting, the BRC will prepare a report to the Board of Trustees. The Director of Education will also prepare a report and Trustees will consider both before making any decisions with respect to any changes to boundaries.