

Ward 11, St Paul's
TRUSTEE WARD FORUM REPORT-BACK

Date	February 28, 2011			
Location	J.R. Wilcox Community School			
Attendees	Arlington Cedarvale	Beth Rossen	Ward Rep	
	Brown	Sindy Preger	FSLAC Rep	
	Forest Hill Jr/Sr	Stacey Silverstein	Ward Rep	
	Forest Hill CI Northern SS West Prep	Carmit Finer Toren	Co-Ward Rep PIAC Rep	
	McMurrich	Ken Kostaras	Ward Rep	
	North Toronto CI	Lapfong Wong	Ward Rep	
	Northern SS	Julian Heller	Co-Ward Rep/FSLAC	
	SOE-SW3 Schools	Ian Allison	Superintendent	
	JR Wilcox	Glen Watson	Principal	
	Ward 11 Trustee's Office	Jeanette Hughes	Constituency Ass't	
	Summary/Key Issues Raised	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome from Shelley Laskin, Trustee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Please contact Shelley at: Shelley.Laskin@tdsb.on.ca 416-397-3094 ▪ Revisit idea whether Ward Forums such as this are best way to communicate to ward or are there other ways ▪ Weekly Updates are posted on website ▪ Shelley introduced Craig Snider, Financial Officer from the TDSB who presented TDSB Funding Needs. Presentation found on website. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Despite cost saving measures, disposal of surplus properties, etc. gags exist between student needs and funding provisions ○ TDSB struggles to operate within provincial funding formulas ○ Ministry increased provincial funding, but in support of its own new initiatives... actually in reality only \$4M of new money ○ Aging inventory of buildings results in growing renewal and capital needs ○ \$3 billion in capital funding needed will increase to \$6 billion by 2015 ○ TDSB arguing for societal commitment to rebuild schools for 21st century learners – cost of deep retrofit \$8B ○ FDK will average 26:1 ratio with no more caps; caps of 20 remain in Grades 1-3 ○ Funding provided for 31 E.A.'s but TDSB has 500 @ cost of \$17M ○ Last year's deficit shortfall was close to \$20M... expecting similar if not more this year – will require serious priority discussions at Board ▪ Public consultations to be announced following detailed TDSB analysis of budget position for 2011-12; aiming for mid-late May 		
		<p>Other Topics Discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ARC is now referred to as PARC (Pupil Accommodation Procedure Changes) which is Ministry language ▪ Waiting lists for Optional Attendance at NTCI and NSS – details were requested and Trustee Laskin agreed to follow-up and include in the minutes 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FDK – J. R. Wilcox for 2011; FDK for Cedarvale, Humewood and Maurice Cody for 2012 ▪ SO Ian Allison reported that schools will get staffing allocations after March Break and French Catholic Board to make decision regarding Arlington purchase at March meeting. ▪ PIAC report from Carmit Finer Toren. Please contact her to let her know your opinion to vote on your behalf. ▪ FSLAC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Applications highest ever in TDSB ○ In September 2011, Extended French beginning at J.R. Wilcox and SK Immersion beginning at Humewood. Suggest that drawings of the new premises be displayed to promote French immersion at the schools.
Follow up Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meeting Notes will be distributed to all in attendance and posted on-line
Additional Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Following the meeting, information was requested from the secondary schools regarding statistics on optional attendance. See below for summary.

Optional Attendance for September 2011 – Grade 9 Data

	North Toronto CI	Northern SS	Forest Hill CI
# applications	614	236	192
# accepted	165	212	192
# registered*	133	97	122
Lottery Priority Level	5 – feeder schools	7 – other students	No lottery**
# waiting list	449	N/A	0
Projected Grade 9	264	442	225

* Many do not reply to the offer of admission or decline the offer

** Although all got in for Grade 9; last year, many were left on a waiting list