

January 8, 2009

School Affiliation – Captain Michael VandenBos

Accommodation Review Committee

Central Whitby

Mr. Joe Hircock, ARC Chair

Mr. David Vissar, ARC Secretary

Dear Accommodation Review Committee,

This letter is in regards to the two scenarios brought forward at the public meeting held at Captain Michael VandenBos P. S. on December 10, 2008. I currently have two children attending the English program at Cpt. Michael VandenBos and I am concerned about Scenario 2.

At first glance, what parent wouldn't love what it proposes – new schools, smaller percent utilization of schools and no portables, however, it obvious that it is also fiscally irresponsible. The cost of \$23,148,950 in this financially difficult time seems reckless. Especially, when reminded that the Ministry of Education deems 110% utilization of schools as acceptable and that three of the five schools in this scenario do not even meet 100% utilization in the projected 10 year average. Scenario one seems a lot more feasible.

I am fearful that if Scenario 2 is put forward to the Ministry by the ARC that it will be doomed to fail from the beginning. All their/our time, work, energy and effort would be for naught and it would be back to the drawing board and a year wasted. These schools – Captain Michael VandenBos especially – need assistance/relief as soon as possible. I therefore urge the ARC members to vote with their minds and not their hearts and bring forth **one strong proposal for success – Scenario one.**

I thank you in advance for your time.

Sincerely,