

Re-Naming of School

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the report be received.

Background:

At the September 27, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Board (Resolution No.11-275), the Board approved the recommendation that Hartsdale Avenue Public School be re-named Janet I. McDougald Public School.

Schools will be named in accordance with the guidelines provided in Policy #27, Naming of Schools. The Policy provides that a school be named, at the discretion of the Board, after a distinguished member of the community, or other worthy individual not of the community, but deserving recognition. Such nomination may only be dealt with in In Committee until permission is given.

Janet McDougald, who is trustee for wards 1 and 7 in Mississauga, was first elected to the Peel District School Board in 1988. She was Vice-Chair from 1994 to 1997 and, since 1998 serves as Chair of the Peel DSB. Janet McDougald begins her 14th year as Chair of the Peel DSB. She is the longest serving chair in the history of the Peel DSB, and is perhaps the longest serving Chair in the GTA. In her role as trustee and chair, Janet McDougald has worked tirelessly with a strong sense of commitment to public education and is recognized as a true leader of education in the province. She has relentlessly advocated for Peel's students at the local, provincial and national levels of government, and has successfully led the Peel DSB through challenging times. While balancing the needs of the public, members of the Board and the role of the administration, Janet McDougald has remained positive, caring and respectful. Her many years with the Board have been marked with distinction and quality, which have made a positive difference to education in Peel.

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