



THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

2847 Chiswick Line, R.R. # 4, Powassan, Ontario, P0H 1Z0

MOVED BY:

☒ Paul Sharp
☐ Claire Riley
☐ Nunzio Scarfone
☐ Bernadette Kerr

SECONDED BY:

☐ Paul Sharp
☒ Claire Riley
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RESOLUTION #: 2023-84

Date: March 28, 2023

Whereas the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Franco Nord (CSCFN) is seeking consultation from the communities that feed into Ecole elementaire catholique Saint Thomas d'Aquin (EECSTA) for options because of increased enrollment;

Whereas EECSTA is experiencing increased enrollment due to its good reputation and reputation of the communities within the school district;

Whereas the CSCFN has proposed 5 options to remediate the growing pressure for space in the school with the two plausible options being restraining enrollment from outside the district and/or moving the grade 7 and 8s to Ecole secondaire catholique Algonquin;

Whereas the community fought tirelessly for the new school that historically is a K-8 model;

Whereas research shows that K-8 schools have significant positive impacts on students social and psychological development as well as their mental and physical health;

Whereas if the local 7 and 8 students are moved to Algonquin, they would be on the bus for approximately 3 hours per day and not able to provide daycare supports to their younger siblings;

Whereas EECSTA is a community hub that enables students and our community to excel and promote our rural culture;

Whereas our students deserve the opportunity to remain in their familiar and support environments for as long as possible, especially during the most tumultuous time of their lives and after the last few turbulent years of the pandemic;

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm request for further collaboration to problem solve long term solutions for the strain on space in the school due to increased enrollment in conjunction with all stakeholders. While maintaining the current K-8 model whilst other viable options be investigated.

And Further that administration be directed to forward this motion to neighbouring municipalities who have students that could feed into Ecole elementaire catholique Saint Thomas d'Aquin and the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Franco Nord.

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CAO Clerk-Treasurer, Jennistine Leblond

I declare this Resolution

☒ Carried
☐ Defeated
☐ Deferred

Mayor

RECORDED VOTE

	For	Against
Paul Sharp	_____	_____
Claire Riley	_____	_____
Nunzio Scarfone	_____	_____
Bernadette Kerr	_____	_____
Gail Degagne	_____	_____

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST*

Name: _____ Reason: _____

*Removed from discussion and vote.