

Board of Education presses for tougher laws

# Anti-porn group meets trustees

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A delegation of two Georgetown women brought their concerns regarding the Child Exploitation Act, Bill C-53, to Halton board of education trustees Thursday night, asking for their support in hastening MPs to make it law.

"It is no longer strangers with candy who are approaching our children," said Barbara Johnson, a member of Citizens Against Violent Pornography. "Molesters frequently take pictures of their child victims and that's where marketing of pornography begins."

"Canada, with its weak and outdated laws could well become the headquarters for the production and distribution of child porn," she warned. The existing laws dealing with child pornography and sexual exploitation are inadequate, co-delegate Gail Rutherford said.

Bill C-53 must be made law to prevent children from being used in simulated sex scenes, in sexual encounters with other children and adults, and as observers of adult sex, Mrs. Rutherford said. The present laws don't protect children from this form of exploitation, she said.

She said a video tape available in Halton Hills

shows the rape of a 12-year old girl by a man who half-drowns his victim to stop her struggling. Because no penetration is visible and the scene is "simulated", this is legal in Canada, Mrs. Rutherford said.

"Children who receive no help begin feeling adult-child sex is the norm," Mrs. Johnson said. "Even those children who do receive help may be in therapy for years."

She said the ministerial association in Halton Hills had been approached and was circulating a petition among their parishioners.

Thursday night was the first presentation by the group, Mrs. Rutherford said, anticipating similar presentations to regional councillors and the Halton Separate School

board.

Asked by trustee Betty Fisher what appears to be the major stumbling block in the government's not passing the bill, Mrs. Rutherford said each party is blaming the other for the delays. As well, there has been a recent change in portfolio: replacing Jean Chretien by Mark MacGuigan in the ministry of justice.

"Chretien was very keen on having this passed," Mrs. Rutherford said. "With the change of minister, this bill has gotten shuffled. If there's an election, it could be

lost again. It's been on the drawing board since 1978."

Trustee Marg Bullock suggested the delegates present their materials to the Home and School representatives of the board so support could be gotten from all the schools in Halton.

Trustee Fisher brought in a motion that the board support swift passage of Bill C-53 and send a letter to the minister of justice indicating their support. The motion will return to the board table for action at their next meeting.

## WHAM session

The very topical issues of the cruise missile and family law reform will be addressed May 26 by the Women of Halton Action Movement (W.H.A.M.) at the White Oaks Library, 70 McCraney St. in Oakville.

The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. and everybody's welcome. For further information, contact Karyn Burney at 844-3901. W.H.A.M. meets every fourth Thursday of the month.



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