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## Jones offers surprise resignation

# Acton trustee Ockenden takes over as board chair

In a surprise move at Wednesday's public school board meeting, Chair Bruce Jones stepped down and Acton's Gerry Ockenden was elected to take his place.

Ockenden, a first-term trustee, represents Halton Hills Wards 1 and 2 at the Halton District School Board. He will lead the board until the term ends on November 30.

"I'm excited by this leadership opportunity and look forward to working with my colleagues in this new capacity," says Ockenden. "We have accomplished some incredible goals for students within Halton, and it is my hope

to continue that direction."

Ockenden was one of two trustees who expressed interest in the chairmanship. He was nominated by Jones, while Jennifer Hlusko of Burlington was nominated by Oakville trustee Don Vrooman. Following a ballot vote, Ockenden ascended the chair.



**GERRY  
OCKENDEN**

Jones, who had served as board chair in 2009 and this year, quit to focus on winning an Oakville regional councillor position in the Oct. 25 election.

Ockenden will be vying with Georgetown trustee for the lone Halton Hills trustee seat in the Oct. 25 election.

# Suzanne Jones is new Town Clerk

Town of Halton Hills has hired a new Town Clerk.

Suzanne Jones, who began her new job on August 3, had been serving with the City of Burlington as its Manager of Council Services and Deputy City

Clerk. She had been with Burlington for more than 20 years.

Jones takes over the job vacated by William Roberts, who resigned less than a year after his hiring.

—By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer

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