

✓ Andrew gets voters' nod as local public school trustee

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The Champion

Not until the last vote came in did incumbent public school trustee Erica Andrew claim her victory.

"I don't count my chickens before they hatch," said Ms Andrew, from her home earlier in the evening. "It's called tempting fate in my Anglo-Saxon background."

It wasn't until challenger Lorraine Gibson called to congratulate her on her win that Ms Andrew acknowledged victory.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEE	
	# votes
Erica Andrew	4167
Lorraine Gibson	2196

"Yes, I am very pleased," Ms Andrew said.

"I wouldn't have put my name for it otherwise," she said.

Ms Andrew didn't join her challenger at the Milton Lions Club Hall to wait for the votes to come in. Instead, she stayed home with her daughter and waited for the official phone call.

"It's not my style. I just don't do that," she said.

At about 11 p.m. when 93 per cent of the votes had been tallied,



Erica Andrew

Ms Gibson said she didn't think she would unseat the incumbent.

"It's always uphill running against the incumbent," Ms Gibson said. "I'm kind of disappointed. Who wouldn't be?"

Ms Gibson said she plans to run again.

"Oh sure, I'll run again. I'm not a quitter."

Ms Andrew, who wanted to get re-elected in order to implement several initiatives that occurred over her first term, is looking forward to serving the students of Halton.

"I will continue to work very hard for the students of Halton and the parents of the students of Halton and the community of Milton."

Yet another term for Krantz

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that," he said. "Certainly I'm going to keep my commitment to the residents of Milton."

He put the tidal wave of support for his leadership down to contentment within the voting public of how things are being done.

That, said Mr. Krantz, was his experience along the campaign trail.

"There are isolated little personal issues that people have, but not big

community issues," he said.

But that wasn't the impression of his challenger, who celebrated his failed mayoral bid along with his supporters at his business, the



Vito Agozzino

Nascar sports bar.

"I'm more than happy," he said. "We're having fun."

He claimed his votes should be a wake-up call for Mr. Krantz.

"I hope he listens to what these 1,600 people have to say," said Mr. Agozzino. "But I don't think so. It's a pretty heavy clique down there."

Overall, the results came in as expected, said Mr. Krantz.

"I predicted it at 80-20," he said,

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