

#### Elementary Pupil Accommodation Review Committee

### **Dalewood**

# Accommodation Review Committee Public Meeting #1

Dalewood Public School April 6, 2011



# Why we are here tonight?

- Review the challenges facing the schools included in the Dalewood review
- Understand the evolution of the Dalewood ARC process
- Provide an overview of the ARC process
- Address any questions pertaining to the ARC process



## Schools included as part of the Dalewood ARC

- Dalewood
- G.R. Allan
- Prince Philip

## Challenges faced by the schools

- Declining enrolment
- Increasing renewal needs/ ongoing operational costs
- Ability to offer programming consistent with the HWDSB direction



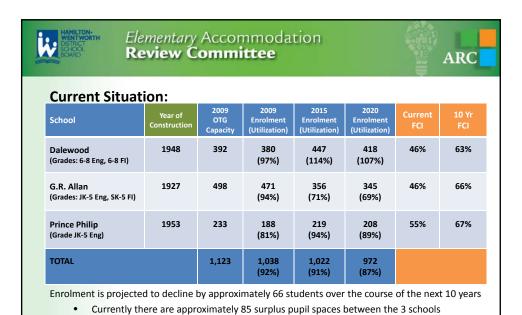
#### **Evolution of the Dalewood ARC**

- It is so important to set the right context!
- As early as 2006, the Board indicated the need in its annual Capital Plan to replace Dalewood and Prince Phillip schools due to their Prohibitive to Repair (PTR) designation.
- In 2008 the Board passed the following motion; "Construct a new JK-8 school in the Dalewood Review Area to replace Prince Philip and Dalewood, contingent upon Ministry approved financing, particularly the approval of Prohibitive-to-Repair funding. . ."
- PTR designation = PTR funding ≠ other funding sources.
- By 2008, PTR funding requirements had grown exponentially province-wide, and the funding source was unable to meet the demand.
- Today the PTR designation no longer exists in the Ministry funding envelope, and all 3 schools in the ARC are now designated "critical" as it relates to their Facility Condition Index (FCI) rating.



## Go-forward strategy for the Dalewood ARC

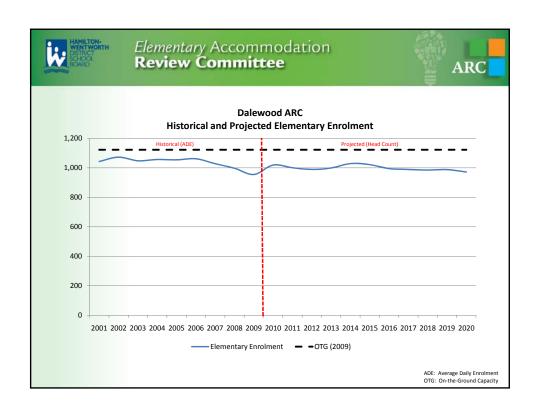
- Early community concerns about the questionable PTR designation can be reviewed in a new context.
- A new Capital funding climate from the Ministry of Education exists.
- The special attributes of the Dalewood facility and its relationship with the City of Hamilton's own plans to redevelop its Recreation Centre will be reviewed.
- Administration's planning solution will reflect this new reality, the current funding sources, program delivery options and the current pupil accommodation needs.
- As we move forward it will be important for the ARC to engage in the process within this new context!



Surplus pupil spaces projected to increase to approximately 151 by 2020

Enrolment based on Headcount OTG Capacity: On-the-Ground Capacity FCI: Facility Condition Index

FCI will increase at all facilities over the next 10 years







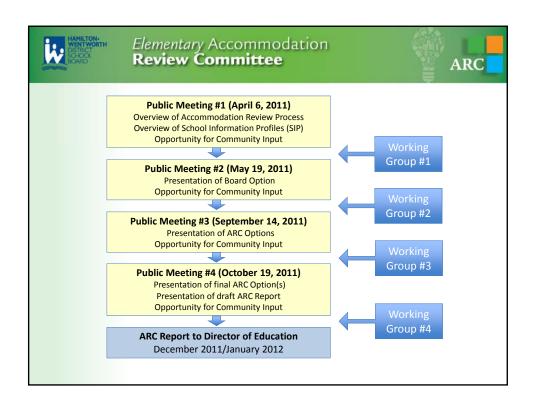
#### **The Accommodation Review Process**

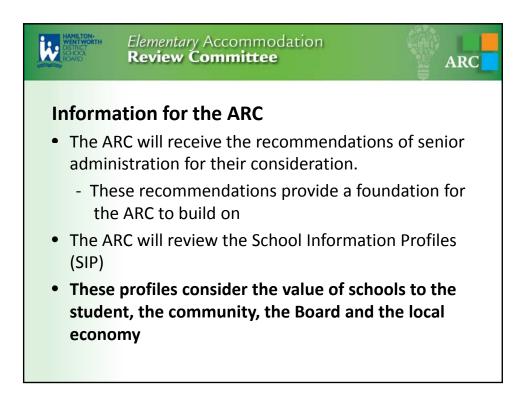
- The process follows Ministry of Education guidelines, Board Policy and the Terms of Reference
- There will be committee working meetings and public meetings.
  - All meetings are open to the public
- The Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)
   provides advice to the Board of Trustees through a
   report that includes recommendations on facilities
   and program

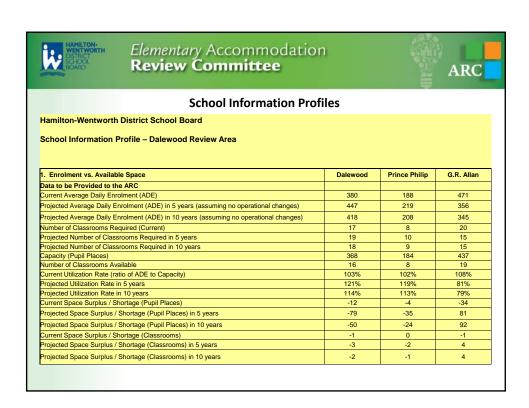


#### **ARC Recommendations**

- The ARC will prepare a report that will be presented to the Board of Trustees
  - This report will include the ARC's recommendations
- The Trustees will also receive a report from Senior Administration with their recommendations to the Board of Trustees
- The Board of Trustees will make the final decisions









#### What will the ARC consider when developing their options?

Reference Criteria (as outlined in the Board policy):

- a) Facility Utilization
- b) Permanent and Non-Permanent Accommodation
- c) Program Offerings
- d) Quality of Teaching and Learning Environments
- e) Transportation
- f) Partnerships
- g) Equity



## **Next Steps**

- Board option will be presented at the next Working Group Meeting (April 28, 2011)
- ARC committee will begin to develop their own options
- Meet with the community throughout the process to keep them informed and receive input on the process and proposed scenarios



# **Keeping Informed**

All information is posted on the Board's website:

http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/arcelementary/

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# **Questions and Answers**

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