

East Hamilton City 1

Accommodation Review Committee

Public Meeting # 1

Hillcrest

Parkdale

Rosedale

Roxborough Park

Viscount Montgomery

W.H. Ballard

Woodward

Hillcrest, Thursday October 10th, 2013



Welcome and Introductions

Agenda

- Opening Presentation

What is an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)?

Where are we in the accommodation review process?

Why is HWDSB conducting accommodation reviews?

How does the ARC process work?

Why is an ARC needed on the East Hamilton?

What is staff recommending as an accommodation option?

- Small group discussions

- Facilitator report out to large group

- Summary, next steps & thank you



What is an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)?

What is an ARC?

An accommodation review takes place when a board is thinking about closing schools and looking at where students can be accommodated. When that happens an accommodation review committee (ARC) is formed to develop a number of possible accommodation options.

Accommodation Review Committee Mandate

“...is to lead the public *review and act in an advisory role* that will study, report and *provide recommendations* on accommodation option(s) with respect to the group of schools or school being reviewed for *the Board of Trustees'* consideration and decision.”

Committee Membership

Voting Members	Non-Voting Members
<p>One (1) parent representative who is a member of School Council and/or Home and School Association from each school</p>	<p>The Trustee(s) of each school(s) under review</p>
<p>One (1) parent representative who is not a member of School Council or Home and School Association from each school</p>	<p>Chair – Superintendent of Student Achievement for school(s) under review</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One (1) teaching representative from each school under review; <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One (1) non-teaching staff from each school under review 	<p>The Principal from each school under review</p>

ensure compliance of the Board's policy and information relevant to the Accommodation Review.

Public Meeting Format

Optimizing consultation by:

- ✓ Group Work
- ✓ Diversifying the groups
- ✓ Using facilitators
- ✓ Ensuring accurate notes taken at each group and included in the minutes



Where Are We in the Accommodation Review Process?

Preliminary Accommodation Review Report

Rationale/Benefits:

- To ensure efficient use of space
- To accommodate current and long-term enrolment demands
- To balance enrolment with capacity
- To address the maintenance and capital improvements
- To ensure long-term facility sustainability while maintaining quality teaching and learning environments conducive to student learning and program delivery
- To provide equity of access to facilities and programs for all HWDSB students.

Where we are in the Process





Why is HWDSB conducting Accommodation Reviews?

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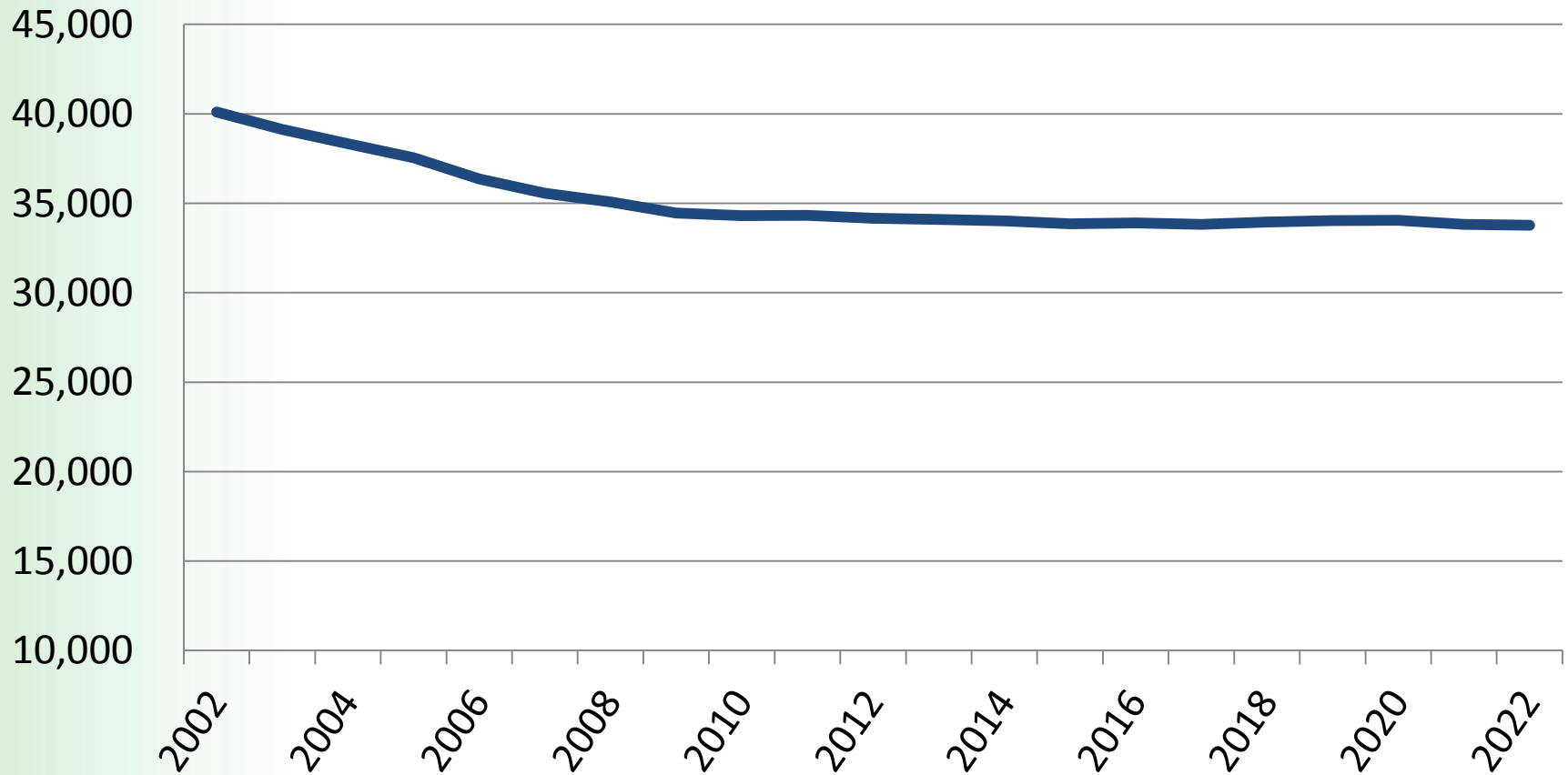
- Declining Enrolments
- Many schools underutilized
- Aging and smaller sized school buildings
- Limited Provincial dollars available in the current economic environment

Provincial funding for schools:

- Funding formulas largely based on enrolment
 - Other factors:
 - Number and size of schools
 - Programs offered
 - Geographic
- Declining enrolment generates financial and operational pressures for school boards - Examples:
 - Affects program offerings
 - Underutilized schools' maintenance costs can divert resources from programs and services for students



Historic and Projected HWDSB Elementary Enrolment





How does the ARC process work?

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- Each ARC has its own Terms of Reference (TOR). The TOR provide the guidelines on how the ARC will operate.
- The TOR include the following:
 - Mandate of Accommodation Review
 - Committee Membership Information
 - Operation of Accommodation Review Committee
 - Reference Criteria to Fulfill Mandate
 - Working Meeting and Public Meeting Overviews
 - Final Accommodation Review Committee Report Specifications
 - Capital Planning Objectives and Alternative Accommodation Option by the Board Criteria

How does the ARC process work?

The key **reference criteria** used by the Accommodation Review Committee to fulfill its mandate include the following:

- **Facility Utilization**
- **Permanent and Non-permanent Accommodation**
- **Program Offerings**
- **Quality Teaching and Learning Environments**
- **Transportation**
- **Partnerships Opportunities**
- **Equity**

The Accommodation Review Committee may add additional reference criteria.

How does the ARC process work?

There are two kinds of meetings.

Working meetings – ARC committee works to identify various options to present to the community and trustees. Public can attend but not participate.

Public meetings – There are four public meetings. This is where the ARC presents its options to gain feedback from the community. Public will provide input that will be used by the ARC as it prepares its final recommendations.



**Why is an ARC needed
in East Hamilton?**

Why East Hamilton?

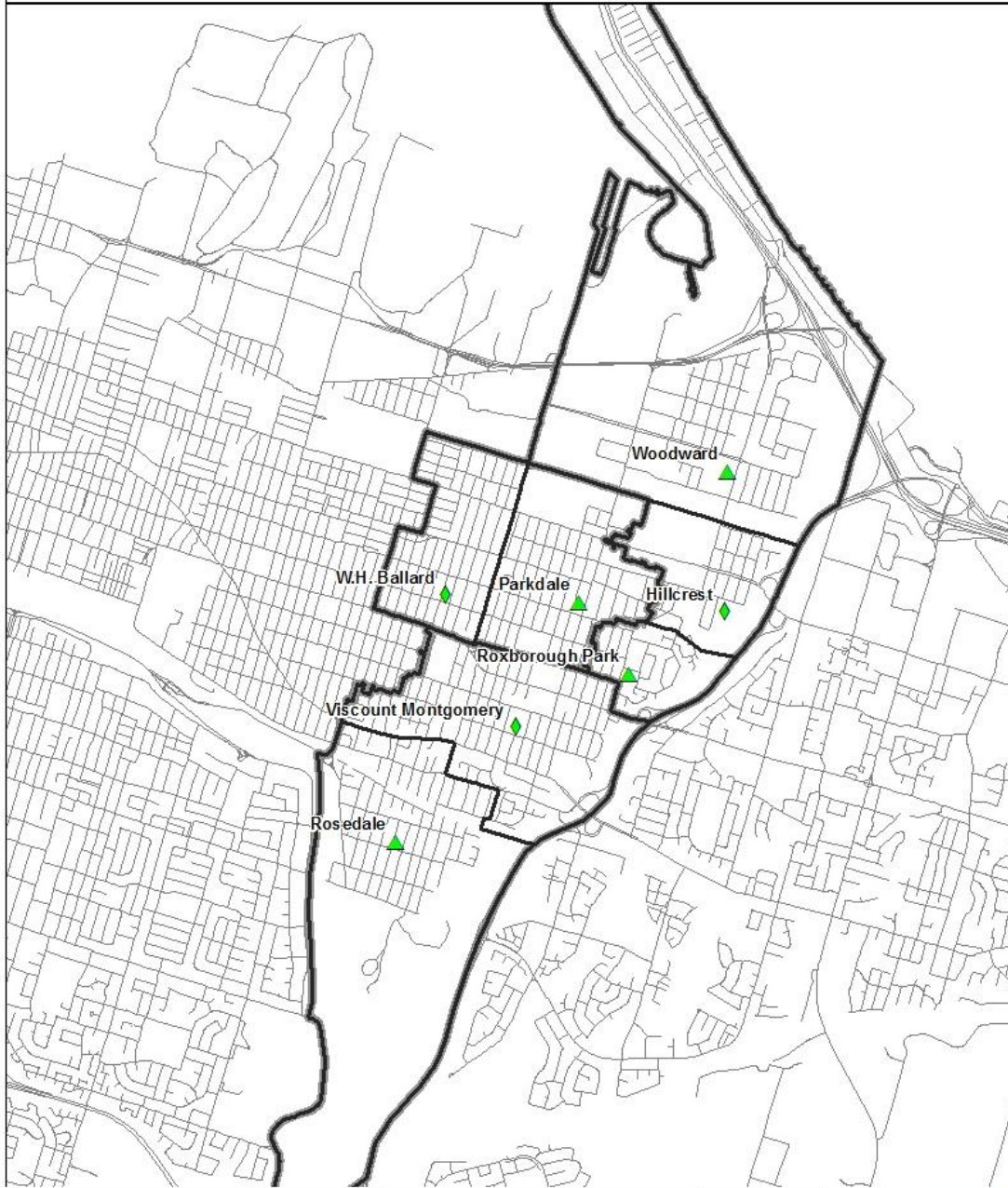
- Grouping of these Schools
 1. Associated Schools
 - Elementary
 - Secondary - SWC
 2. Underutilized Schools
 - Current and projected
 3. Non JK-8 program models



Why East Hamilton?

- One of the three ARCs identified and approved in 2010
- LTFMP Guiding Principles
 - Smaller schools consolidation possibilities
 - School/grade organization of JK-8
 - Examined middle school/senior school model
 - Ideal elementary school size of 500-600
- Geography – 4 Accommodation Reviews



Current Situation



 Current Elementary Boundary
 Current 6-8 Boundary

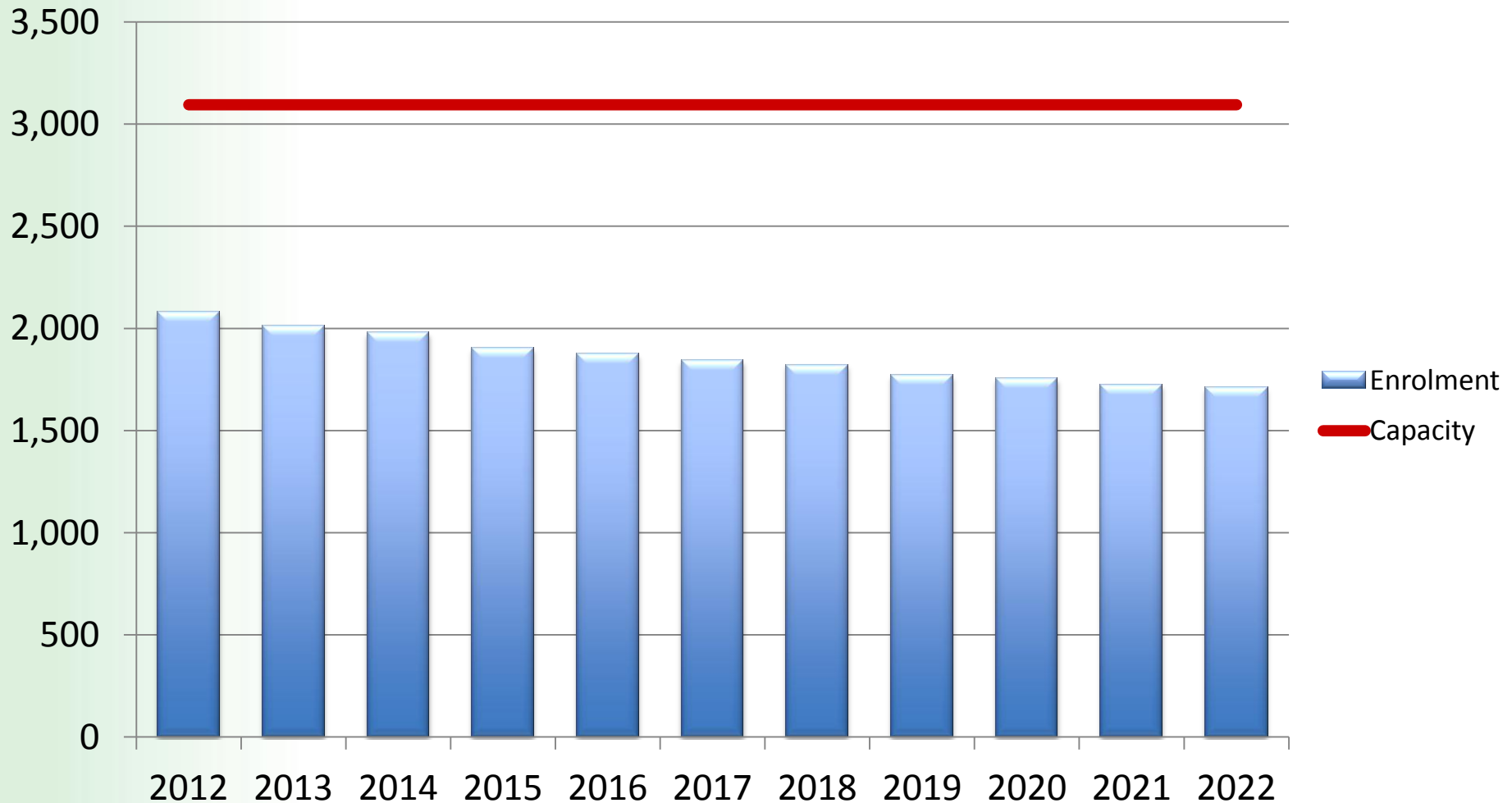


Current Enrolment

School	Year of Construction	2012 OTG	2012 Enrolment (Utilization)	2017 Enrolment (Utilization)	2022 Enrolment (Utilization)	Current FCI	10 year FCI
Hillcrest (JK-8)	2006	690	483 (70%)	389 (56%)	331 (48%)	2%	25%
Parkdale (JK-5)	1946	291	175 (60%)	187 (64%)	179 (61%)	67%	113%
Rosedale (JK-5)	1953	236	149 (63%)	114 (48%)	118 (50%)	40%	69%
Roxborough Park (JK-5)	1960	371	220 (59%)	178 (48%)	171 (46%)	36%	55%
V. Montgomery (JK-8)	1951	469	345 (74%)	338 (72%)	323 (69%)	62%	84%
W.H. Ballard (JK-8)	1922	837	577 (69%)	510 (61%)	462 (55%)	49%	59%
Woodward (JK-5)	1951	201	131 (65%)	128 (64%)	128 (64%)	65%	74%
TOTAL		3,095	2,080 (67%)	1,843 (60%)	1,710 (55%)		



East Hamilton City 1 Current Enrolments

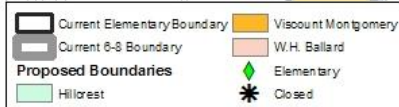
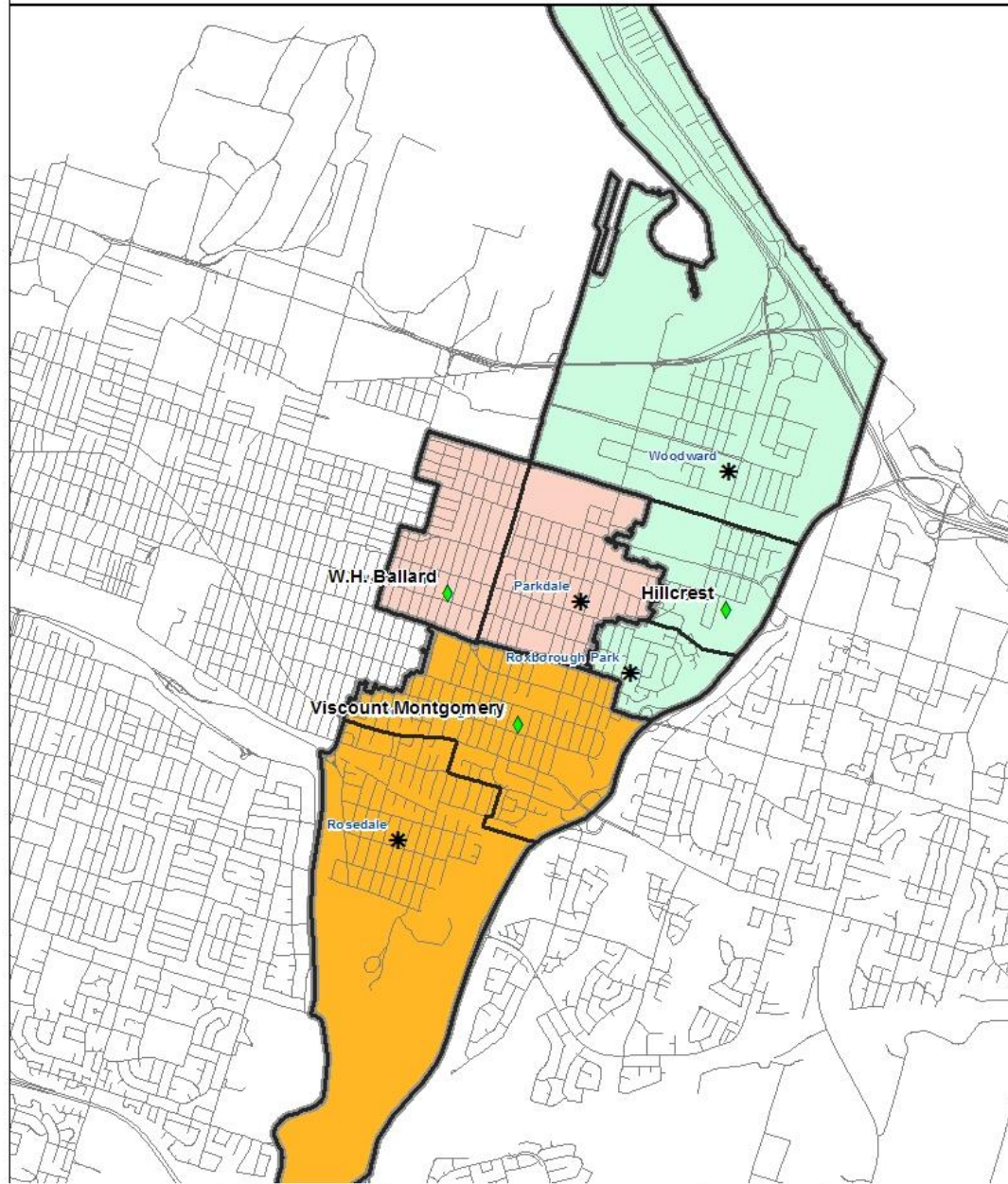




Staff Accommodation Option

What is the significance of this staff option?

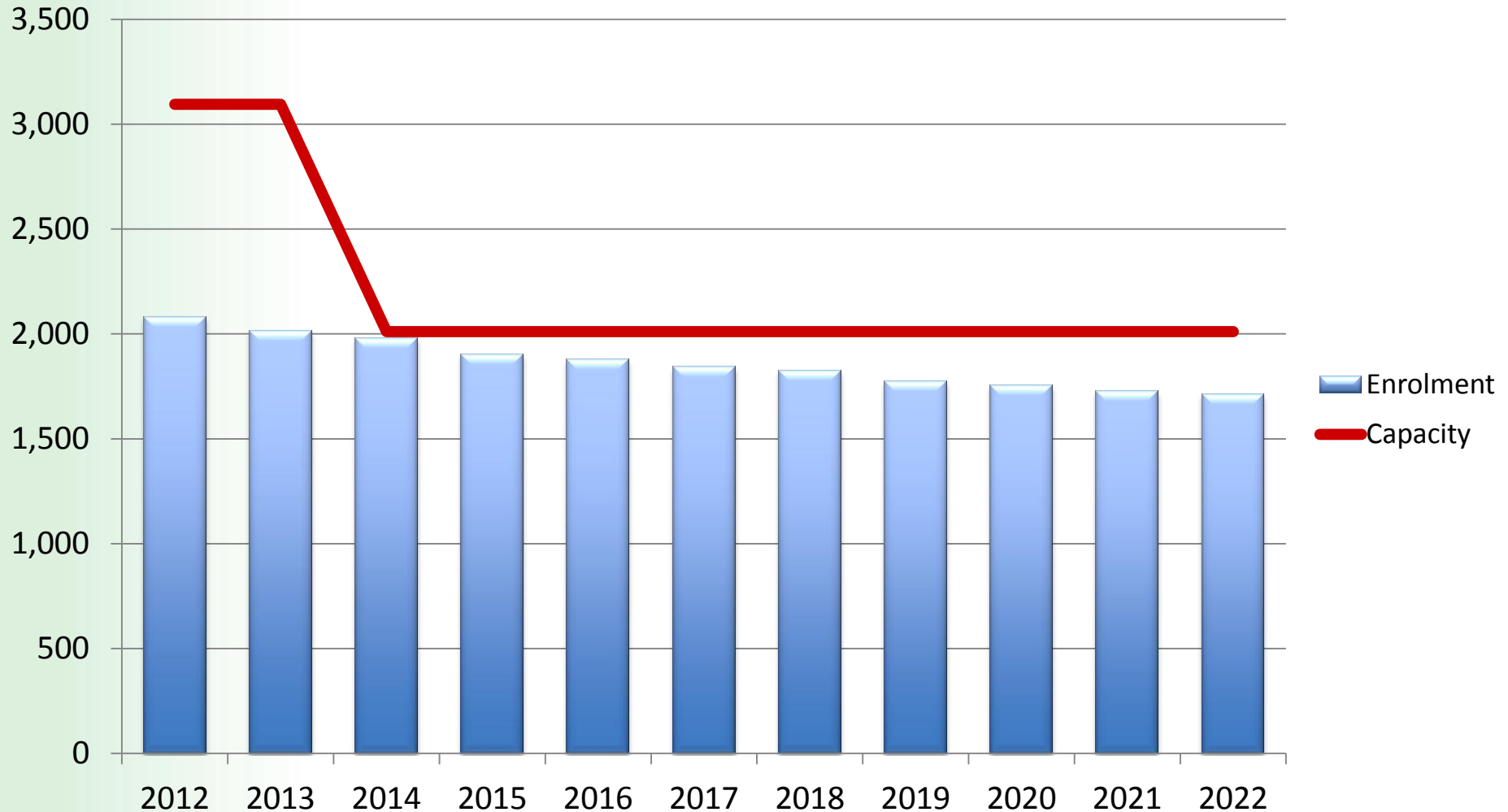
- Is meant as a starting point and initiates the process for the committee to create option and/or inform the final staff option
- The final Staff option and the ARC will be presented to Trustees for their consideration



Staff Recommendation Enrolment

School	2012 OTG	2012 Enrolment (Utilization)	2017 Enrolment (Utilization)	2022 Enrolment (Utilization)
Hillcrest (JK-8)	696 (2014)	483 (70%)	695 (100%)	630 (90%)
Parkdale (JK-5)	-	175 (60%)	-	-
Rosedale (JK-5)	-	149 (63%)	-	-
Roxborough Park (JK-5)	-	220 (59%)	-	-
Viscount Montgomery (JK-8)	475 (2014)	345 (74%)	452 (95%)	440 (93%)
W.H. Ballard (JK-8)	840(2014)	577 (69%)	697 (83%)	640 (76%)
Woodward (JK-5)	-	131 (65%)	-	-
TOTAL	2011	2,080 (67%)	1,843 (92%)	1,710 (85%)

East Hamilton City 1 Staff Option



East Hamilton City 1 Staff Recommendation

- **Consolidate Roxborough Park, Hillcrest, and Woodward into Hillcrest in 2014**
 - Minimal construction/renovation costs
- **Consolidate Rosedale and Viscount Montgomery into Viscount Montgomery in 2014**
 - Minimal construction/renovation costs
- **Consolidate Parkdale and WH Ballard into WH Ballard in 2014**
 - Minimal construction/renovation costs



Group Discussion



Facilitated Group Discussion

- Please refer to the package on your table
- Discuss one question/issue at a time
- ARC Working members will take notes on the discussions
- Additional questions can be posted on notes in the middle of the table.

Question 1

How does the staff recommendation follow the reference criteria?

Reference Criteria

- **Facility Utilization**
- **Permanent and Non-permanent Accommodation**
- **Program Offerings**
- **Quality Teaching and Learning Environments**
- **Transportation**
- **Partnerships Opportunities**
- **Equity**

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Question 2

What additional reference criteria do you think are important for the ARC to consider when developing recommendations?

Question 3

Using the additional reference criteria,
how well does the staff
recommendation meet the new
criteria?

Please explain.

Question 4

What else do you feel is important for the ARC to consider as they begin developing options?

Facilitator Report Back

Please identify the top three points raised by your group



Summary & Thank you

Keeping the Committee & Community Informed

- All information will be posted on the HWDSB website:

www.hwdsb.on.ca

- All public meetings will be advertised
- Working Group & Public Meetings will be held at schools within the planning area
- Working group meetings are open to the public for viewing

Next Meetings:

Working Group Meeting #2

October 17, 2013

Woodward PS

Public Meeting #2

November 7th

Parkdale PS