Boundary Review Committee

St. Anne Catholic School, Sarnia &

St. Michael Catholic School,
Bright's Grove

November 15, 2011 7:00 pm

ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Opening Prayer

Let us pray in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of Unity, we give you thanks for the opportunity to gather, and for calling us to the privilege of this meeting.

Encircle our schools with Your love. Help us to honour our past, respect our present, and look to the future with courage and faith.

May our discussions and decisions be focused on the well-being of your children; those you have entrusted to our care.

Help us to be open to the guidance and influence of your Holy Spirit, as we do our best to live like Jesus.

We make our prayer in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ST. CLAIR

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Review of Policy 7.4

Student Accommodation & Boundary Policy Statement:

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board is committed to provide student accommodation in a responsible and organized manner, and to consult with the community.



Policy Goals:

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board acknowledges that the consolidation or closure of a school or schools and/or the revision of boundaries may be required in order to operate in an efficient and effective manner.

The Board shall:

- a) provide a Catholic school system where the life and gospel of Christ are integrated into the entire curriculum and to seek a spirit of co-operation between the home, the school, and the Church;
- b) provide adequate and appropriate accommodation for the students attending its schools pursuant to Ministry Guidelines and Regulations;



Policy Goals continued ...

- c) provide effective educational programs for all students through the efficient management of the Board's resources;
- d) communicate with parents and community concerning possible changes in the status of a school or schools or of the boundaries of a school or schools.



Section 2.4 School Boundaries

- a) The Board establishes the boundaries for all schools within its jurisdiction.
- b) Boundaries will be reviewed and revisions recommended to trustees by administration, as circumstances warrant. The Board may consult with affected parents prior to setting new boundaries.
- c) Boundary changes will be communicated to parents/guardians who may be affected.



Motion to Board September 27, 2011

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: Boundary Review, for information. Carried.

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board direct the Director of Education to establish a Boundary Review Committee for the school communities of St. Anne, Sarnia and St. Michael, Bright's Grove.

Carried.



Committee Mandate

- The BRC is appointed by the Board and is authorized to make recommendations as per board policy.
- The written recommendations of the BRC will be delivered to the Director of Education who will make them known to the Board of Trustees at a public meeting.
- While the BRC's establishment was triggered by the present circumstances, the future must be a primary component in considering the actions the BRC will recommend.



Committee Mandate Continued

- The BRC is encouraged, but not required, to come to consensus with respect to its recommendation(s).
- At all times the BRC should maintain its focus on the issue at hand and not allow itself to become distracted by side issues.
- The BRC will meet a minimum of two times.
- The Trustees will give the BRC's recommendations due consideration and they will decide on a course of action that best serves the needs of the Board.



Rules of Order

1. Protocol for Meeting

2. Questions



Background Information

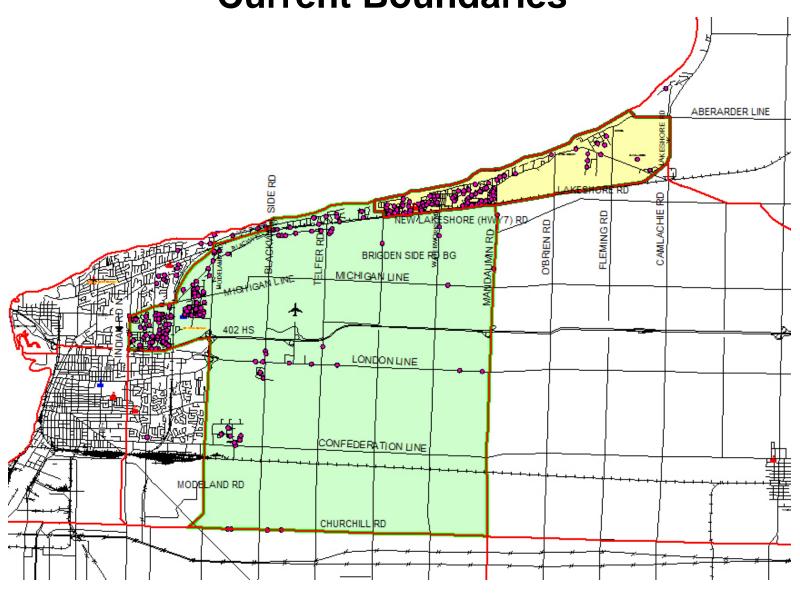
- St. Anne is currently operating at capacity with classes that are larger than the average class sizes for the Board. Growth in the area may further exaggerate this problem.
- Implementation of full-day kindergarten (FDK) in 2014 will also increase the classroom requirements at St. Anne Catholic School.
- Due to declining enrolment and decreased participation rates at St. Michael Bright's Grove, there has been a significant enrolment decline at St. Michael Catholic School.



Demographics



Current Boundaries



Definitions

FTE (full-time equivalent enrolment)

The count of students is based on the percentage of time they attend school. A pupil enrolled in junior kindergarten or kindergarten is therefore counted as .50 or half-time.

Ministry grant calculations and the assignment of staff to schools are based on the FTE enrolment.



Definitions

OTG (Ministry on the Ground Capacity)

Number of pupil places available in a school.

Loading factors to calculate elementary capacity:

JK/SK Classroom – 20

Grade 1-8 Classroom – 23

Special Education Rooms – 9

General Instructional Space (approx. 400 to 700 sq. ft) - 12



Definitions

 Participation Rate is the proportion of children attending the school who actually live in the catchment area



Facility Summaries

St. Anne, Sarnia

- OTG 308.00
- 13 classrooms
 (Note: 1 additional classroom is currently lease by Best Start)
- Total Enrolment 334
- FTE 300.50

St. Michael, Bright's Grove

- OTG 316.00
- 14 classrooms
 (Note: 1 additional classroom is currently leased for child care)
- Total Enrolment 214
- FTE 203.00



St. Michael Bright's Grove History of Enrolment

	JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	FTE
2007	18	24	34	24	28	31	33	41	46	32	311	290.00
2008	25	16	25	35	20	28	28	33	43	48	301	280.50
2009	12	25	17	23	33	23	27	30	35	45	270	251.50
2010	13	13	26	15	24	32	23	27	30	35	238	225.00
2011	8	14	12	28	16	24	34	22	26	30	214	203.00

St. Anne, Sarnia History of Enrolment

	JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	FTE
2007	26	19	19	31	30	22	40	42	32	44	305	282.50
2008	25	28	24	19	34	37	30	43	44	35	319	292.50
2009	30	28	28	27	22	36	38	35	39	46	329	300.00
2010	31	29	30	31	30	22	48	46	34	42	343	313.00
2011	31	36	27	30	29	31	21	48	47	34	334	300.50

Participation Rates St. Anne, Sarnia

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Age 4	89	75	89	89	86
JK Enrol	26	25	30	31	31
Participation Rate	29.21%	33.33%	33.71%	34.83%	36.05%

Participation Rates St. Michael, Bright's Grove

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Age 4	63	63	50	58	65
JK Enrol	18	25	12	13	8
Participation Rate	28.57%	39.68%	24.00%	22.41%	12.31%

St. Michael, Bright's Grove Enrolment Projections by Grade

	JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	FTE
2012	12	8	14	12	28	17	24	34	22	26	197	187.00
2013	10	13	8	13	12	29	17	24	34	22	182	182.00
2014	11	11	13	8	13	12	29	17	24	35	173	173.00
2015	11	12	11	12	8	14	12	29	17	24	150	150.00
2016	11	12	12	11	12	8	14	12	29	17	138	138.00

St. Anne, Sarnia Enrolment Projections by Grade

	JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL	FTE
2012	38	31	36	27	30	29	31	21	48	47	338	303.50
2013	35	38	31	36	27	30	29	31	21	48	326	289.50
2014	35	35	38	31	36	27	30	29	31	21	313	313.00
2015	35	35	35	38	31	36	27	30	29	31	327	327.00
2016	36	35	35	35	38	31	36	27	30	29	332	332.00

Historical & Projected Enrolment

	MOE CAPACITY	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Current % Occupied	2011 Available Pupil Places
ST. ANNE, SARNIA	308.00	282.50	292.50	300.00	313.00	300.50	97.6%	7.50
ST. MICHAEL, BRIGHT'S GROVE	316.00	290.00	280.50	251.50	225.00	203.00	64.2%	113.00

	MOE CAPACITY	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Current % Occupied	2016 Available Pupil Places
ST. ANNE, SARNIA	308.00	303.50	289.50	* 313.00	327.00	332.00	107.8%	(24.00)
ST. MICHAEL, BRIGHT'S GROVE	316.00	187.00	* 182.00	173.00	150.00	138.00	43.7%	178.00

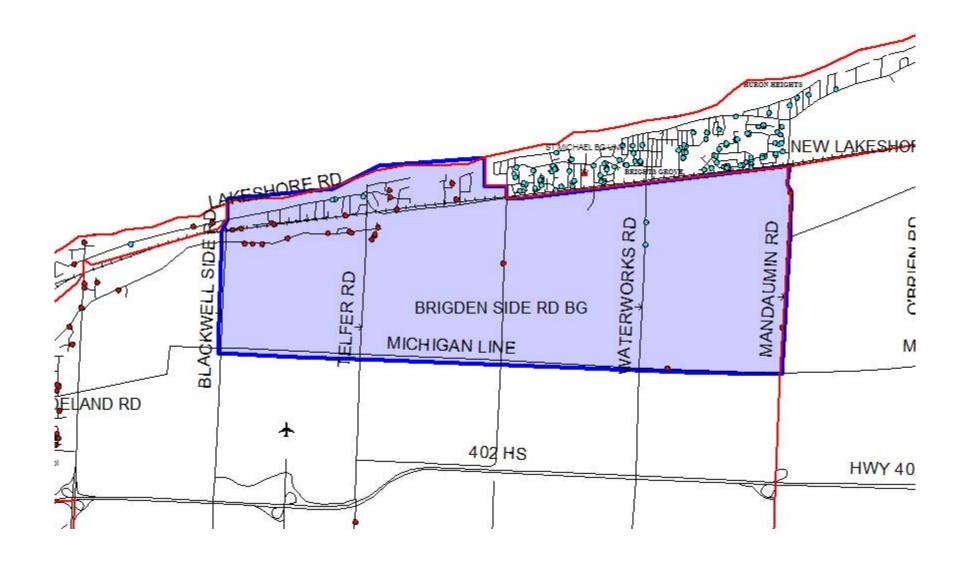
Questions from Committee



Consideration of Options



Study Area 1

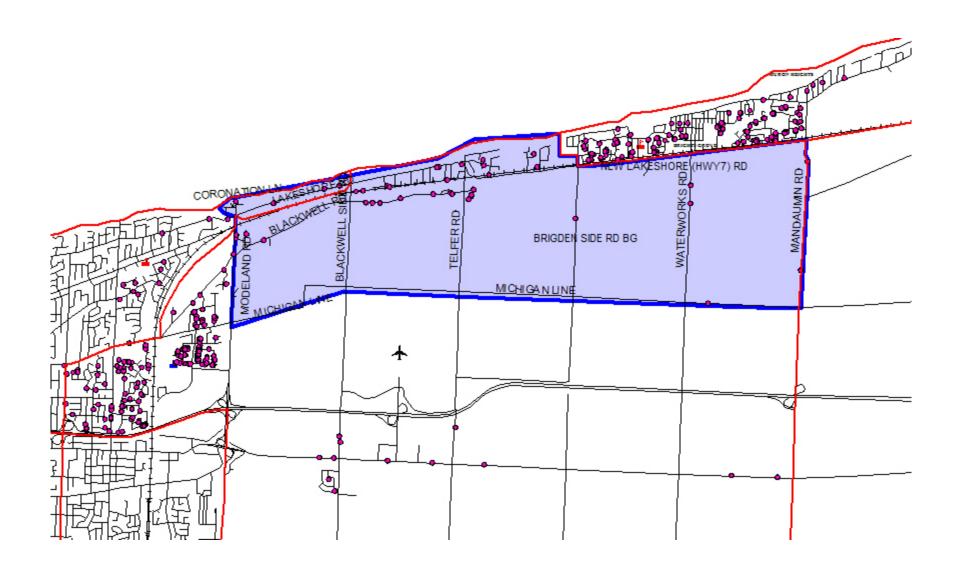


Current Students by Grade Residing Within Study Area 1

JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	3	4	4	1	1	2	7	9	7

- JK to Grade 7 Total 32 students
- JK to Grade 6 Total 23 students
- JK to Grade 5 Total 16 students

Study Area 2

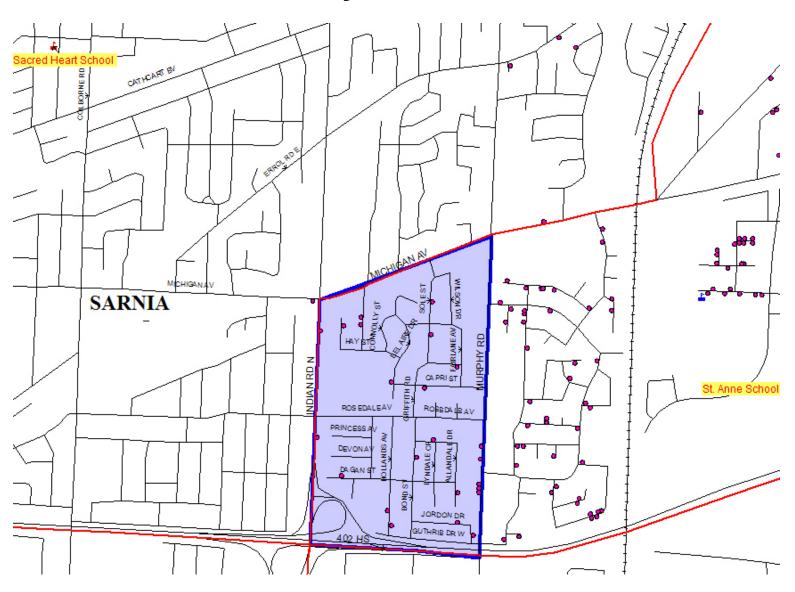


Current Students by Grade Residing Within Study Area 2

JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4	5	5	5	3	4	3	9	10	8

- JK to Grade 7 Total 48 students
- JK to Grade 6 Total 38 students
- JK to Grade 5 Total 29 students

Study Area 3



Current Students by Grade Residing Within Study Area 3

JK	SK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4	3	3	4	3	5	4	5	4	4

- JK to Grade 7 Total 35 students
- JK to Grade 6 Total 31 students
- JK to Grade 5 Total 26 students

Question Period



Closing Prayer

God of All,
surrounded by your love,
we have prayed together,
and listened to your Word through the Scriptures
and spoken through each person.

May the work we have done tonight be a witness to our commitment to Catholic Education.

May our journeys home be safe and our time with family be peace-filled.

We ask your blessing upon all that has taken place tonight, and upon us as we pray in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

