

# ***Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)***

## ***The Impacts on Program, the Business Case and Options that Warrant Consideration***

***January 11, 2011  
7:00 pm***

***St. Michael Catholic School, Turnerville  
10923 Country View Line, Dresden, ON***



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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 school 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.



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# Rules of Order

1. Attendance
2. Questions
3. Notes of the meetings
4. Protocols



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# ARC Mandate

- The purpose of this ARC is to consider the issue of excess pupil places at St. Michael, caused by declining enrollment.
- The impact of this phenomenon has been pervasive, impacting program, extra-curricular activities, budget, staffing, transportation, and facility management.
- The ARC is mandated to make a viable recommendation to the board with respect to the future of St. Michael, and with regard to the current students, transportation, boundaries and the site.



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# Committee Mandate Continued

- As per Board policy, the written recommendations of the ARC will be delivered to the Director of Education who will make them known to the Board of Trustees at a public meeting.
- The ARC is mandated to consider the problem, not just from the perspective of 2010-2011 but through 2015-2016 because another ARC cannot be established for this review area for another five years. Thus the ARC must have “the long view”. While the ARC’s establishment was triggered by the present circumstances, the future must be a primary component in considering the actions the ARC will recommend.



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# Committee Mandate Continued

- The ARC is encouraged, but not required, to come to consensus with respect to its recommendation(s).
- The ARC will meet a minimum of four times and will follow the timelines outlined in Board policy.
- The Trustees will give the ARC's recommendations due consideration and they will decide on a course of action that best serves the needs of the Board.



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# Impact on Safety & Co-curricular

- St. Michael offers a variety of sports
- No junior teams
  - Not enough students and/or coaches
- Next year only intramural sports will be offered due to loss of staff and students
- Outdoor play area may be decreased next year to allow for effective supervision



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# Impact on Program

## **2010-2011 Class Organization**

- Grades 1, 2, 3 - 7 students
- Grades 4, 5 -12 students
- Grades 6, 7 - 20 students
- Grade 8 - 14 students
- Total of 4 classroom teachers

## **2011-2012 Class Organization (Draft)**

- Grades 2, 3, 4, 5 - 13 students
- Grades 6, 7, 8 - 26 students



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# Impact on Program

## **2010-2011 Divisional Teacher Collaboration to support Student Achievement**

- some collaboration within the divisions

## **2011-2012 Teacher Divisional Collaboration**

- limited collaboration

## **2010-2011 Student Group Work**

- some sharing of ideas within the grade level due to the number of students within each grade

## **2011-2012**

- limited sharing of ideas within the grade level due to the number of students in each grade



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# Agenda for February



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# Question Period



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# Closing Prayer

God of All,  
encircled by your love,  
we have prayed together,  
and listened to your Word  
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.



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