

*Helping to Plan our Future...*

# Agenda

- Approval of minutes from meeting #1 - Discussion
- Committee Charter – Discussion / Action
- Review of meeting schedule survey – Discussion / Action
- Review of tentative presenters – Discussion / Action
- Review of preliminary options - Discussion
- Set agenda for next meeting – Discussion / Action

# A review of the issue...

**Problem 1:** The Hopewell Valley Regional School District is experiencing an enrollment decrease of 50-70 students per year. The result is one school with enrollment that is predicted to continue to decrease and will function well under capacity while other schools have limited if any space. If this is not addressed the imbalance will continue to grow and impact class sizes and, potentially, programs.

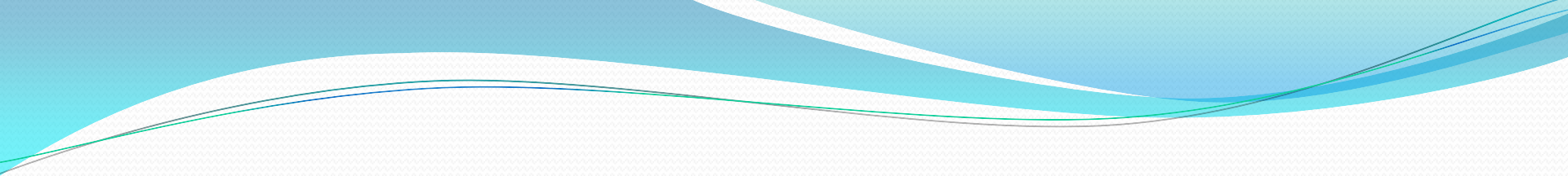
**Problem 1a:** Long-term, as grade levels continue to decrease in size, as they transition into the middle school and high school, buildings will be functioning well under capacity.

# A review of the issue...(cont.)

**Problem 2:** Long-term- a dual problem of declining enrollment and increasing fiscal constraints will continue to worsen – school budgets are held to 2% cap while our per-pupil costs exceed the state average.

**Opportunity:** There are several legacy items that have been raised repeatedly over the years including: moving to full-day kindergarten, school-grade structure, moving classes out of trailers.

**Opportunity:** We have time to investigate, plan and implement change over the course of several years.



<b>Student Population 12/2013</b>	
Kindergarten	223
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	226
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	241
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	257
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	270
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	288
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	272
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	308
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	301
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	317
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	310
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	318
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	300
Total:	3,631



## 2014-15 Kindergarten Enrollment update 03/04/2014:

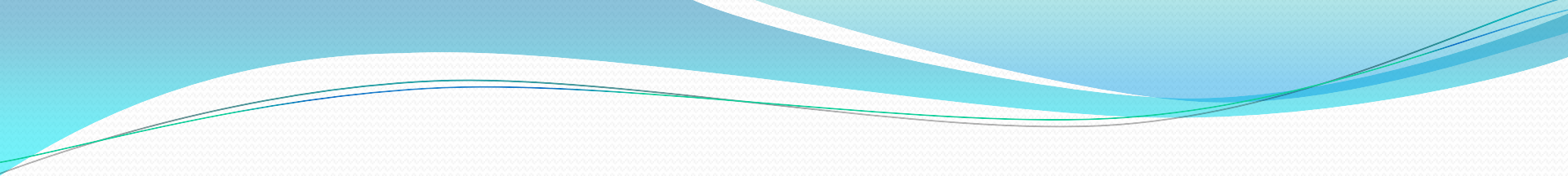
- BT 22
- HE 31
- SB 47
- TG 37

**Total 137**



## Enrollment Forecast by School

School	Now	2016-17
Bear Tavern	407	305
Stony Brook	453	396
Toll Gate	297	296
Hopewell	470	487
Timberlane	950	790
CHS	1,161	1,125



<b>School</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Enrollment 2016-17</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Hopewell Elementary School	567	487	+80
Bear Tavern Elementary	555	305	+250
Stony Brook Elementary School	437	396	+41
Toll Gate Grammar School	305	296	+9
Timberlane Middle School	1044	790	+254
Central High School	1243	1161	+63



# Options:

**Students/families impacted:**

**Transportation impact:**

**Program Implications:**

**Financial Implications:**

**Other Considerations:**