

Accommodation Review Process

Valuation Framework

Ministry Pupil Accommodation Guidelines

- New guidelines released October 31st, 2006
- For accommodation reviews with the possibility of consolidation only
- An Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) must be established to carry out the review
- Minimum of 4 public meetings required
- Purpose of the guidelines:
 - Ensure a consistent process between school boards
 - The ARC must examine the value of each school in the review to the student, board, community and local economy using a valuation framework
- Administrative Review of Accommodation Review Process
 - An appeal can be made if the school board did not follow their policy

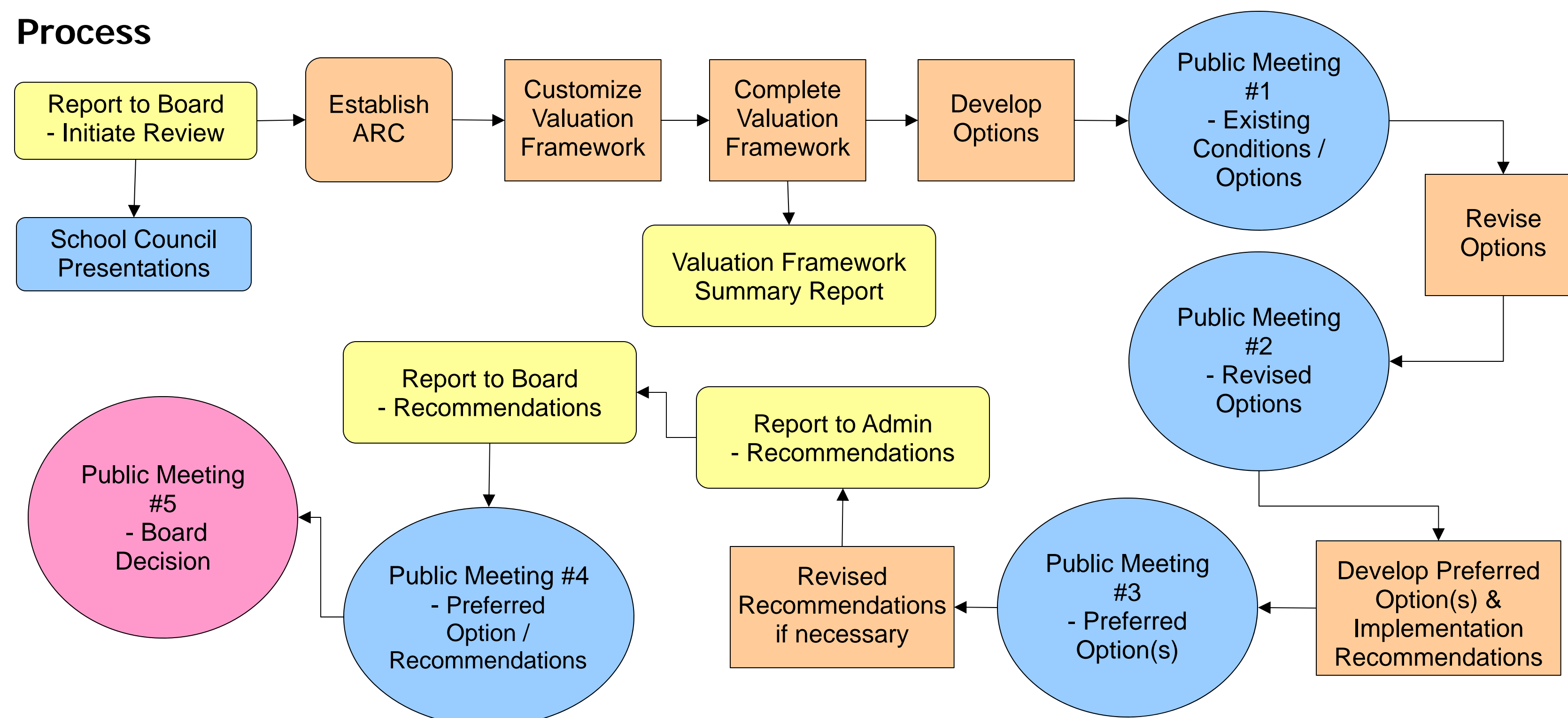
WCDSB Policy - APF008 Pupil Accommodation Review Process

- Two different processes:
 - Boundary Review
 - Consolidation Review
 - Follows Ministry guidelines
 - More rigorous process
 - Must use the valuation framework

Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)

- Superintendent of affected schools (Chair)
- Principal from each school
- A parent representative & an alternate from each school (one vote per school)
- 2 Trustees
- Senior Manager of Capital Planning
- Senior Manager of Public Affairs
- Business and/or Municipal leaders (where possible)

Process



Generic Valuation Framework

- The valuation framework is a data collection tool used to assess the existing conditions at each school in the review
- Created by an ARC in Spring 2007
- Generic Valuation Framework to be used for all elementary school reviews
- Divided into 4 major categories:
 - Value to the Student
 - Value to the Board
 - Value to the Community
 - Value to the Local Economy
- Under each of these categories is a series of sub-categories
 - E.g., Value to the Student sub-categories include Quality of the Learning Environment, Safety, Interaction between School & Parish, etc.
 - Information is collected under each sub-category
- Frameworks are completed by the local ARC in each review
- Local ARC can customize the generic valuation framework so that it is specific to individual accommodation reviews

Weighting & Scoring

- Ensures that the Ministry guidelines are being met - "weigh the value of the school(s) to the student above the other considerations"

WEIGHTING:

- The 4 major categories were assigned weightings by the ARC that created the Generic Valuation Framework
 - These weightings will be used for every WCDSB elementary accommodation review

Value to the Student - 50 Value to the Community - 20
 Value to the Board - 20 Value to the Local Economy - 10

- Every school will be scored out of 100
- Local ARC assigns weightings to each sub-category based on their priorities as a committee

SCORING:

- Once the weightings are assigned and the data is collected, the ARC scores each sub-category on a scale of 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent).
- Scores are **for comparison purposes only**

 * *The primary function of the valuation framework is to identify issues* *
 * *that need to be addressed through the review process. The scores on* *
 * *their own are not the determining factor in any decision but are* *
 * *indicative of areas of excellence or where improvement is required.* *
