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# **Thornhill Accommodation Review**

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Thornhill Elementary Schools  
Accommodation Review Committee

**February 5, 2009**

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# What is an Accommodation Review?

- Consultation Process

- Requires the formation of an Accommodation Review Committee
- Minimum of 4 Public Meetings for broader community input
  - Focuses on valuation of schools within a specific area
  - Final Report provides recommendations to the Director of Education
- Staff Report
- Board Decision

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# Why a Thornhill Accommodation Review Committee?

- 2006 - Ministry of Education Funding
  - St. Anthony and St. Michael identified as schools in need of significant repairs over time.
- Ministry and Board Staff met to discuss accommodation options
  - Preliminary Concept for Funding - consolidate two schools into one new school building at one of the existing school locations
  - **NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE**
  - Role of the ARC is to develop accommodation options for students within the review area (St. Anthony, St. Rene Goupil/St. Luke, St. Michael)
- Ministry gave "Planning Approval" for approximately 10 million dollars.

# Committee Membership

From each school:

- School Principal or Designate
- One Teacher
- One non-teaching staff member
- Three parents – one of whom is the school council chair
- Parish representatives
- Local Trustee

Also invited:

- Municipal councilor or designate
  - Member of the business community
- For a listing of members of the ARC please refer to the ARC website.

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# Mandate of the ARC

- The ARC will study, report and make recommendations on the accommodation options respecting the Thornhill group of schools referred to in the manner set out in board policy 713.

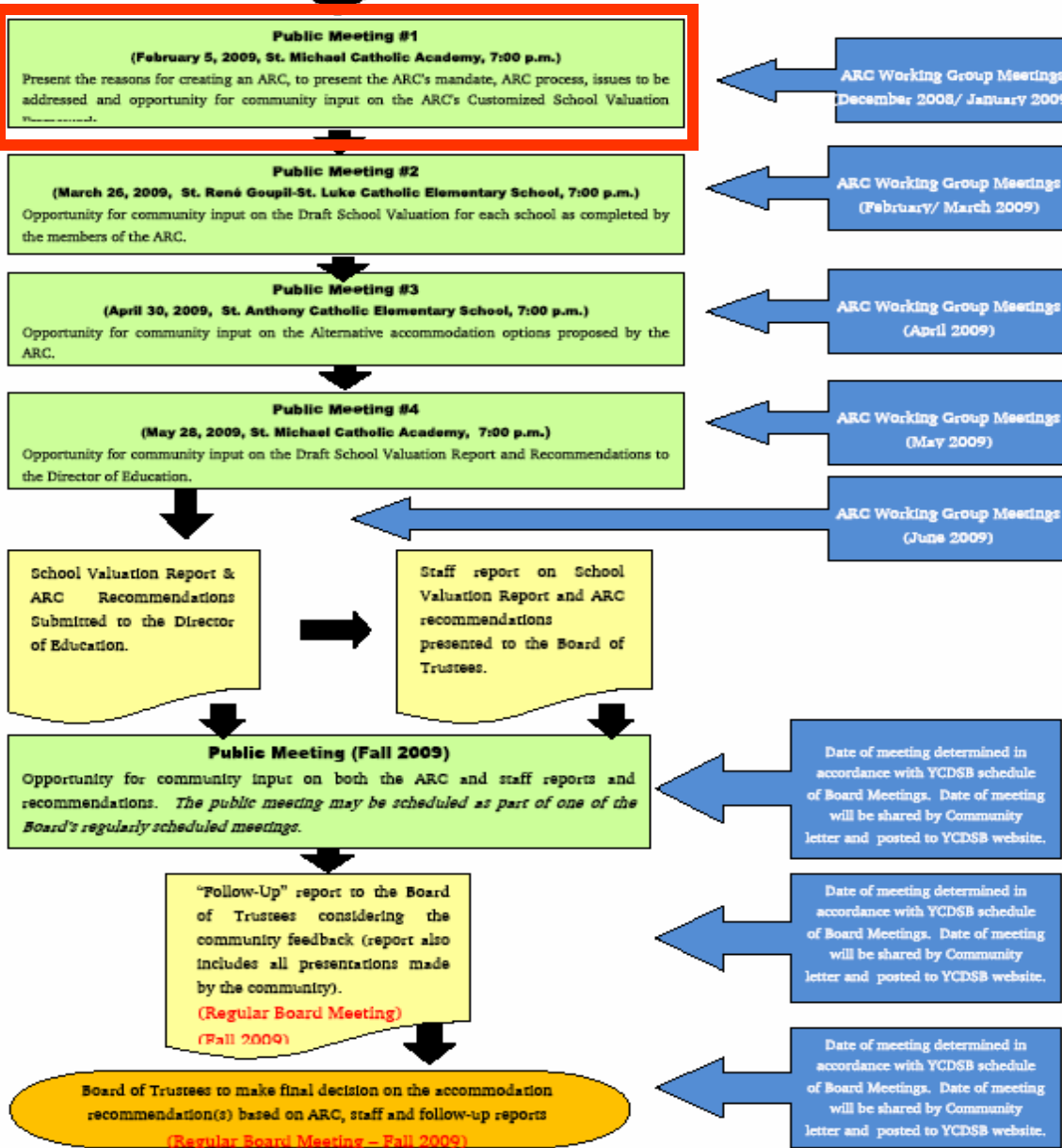
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**York Catholic District School Board  
Thornhill Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)**

The purpose of an ARC is to ensure that in keeping with its obligation, Board staff and members of our Catholic Learning Community consistently be aware of best educational practices, assess the effectiveness of current situations and make appropriate decisions to ensure suitable and equitable learning environments for all students.



# Public Meeting #1

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(February 5, 2009, St. Michael Catholic Academy, 7:00 p.m.)

**Present the reasons for creating an ARC, to present the ARC's mandate, ARC process, issues to be addressed and opportunity for community input on the ARC's Customized School Valuation Framework.**

- Reasons for creating the ARC
- Mandate of the ARC
- Accommodation Review Process
- Issues to be Addressed
- Community Input on Customized School Valuation Framework

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# Public Meeting #2

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(March 26, 2009, St. René Goupil-St. Luke Catholic Elementary School,  
7:00 p.m.)

**Opportunity for community input on the Draft School Valuation for each school as completed by the members of the ARC.**

- Final Customized School Valuation Framework
- Draft School Valuations

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# Public Meeting #3

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(April 30, 2009, St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School,  
7:00 p.m.)

**Opportunity for community input on the Alternative accommodation options proposed by the ARC.**

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- **Proposed Alternative Accommodation Options – Proposed by ARC**

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# Public Meeting #4

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(May 28, 2009, St. Michael Catholic Academy, 7:00 p.m.)

**Opportunity for community input on the Draft School Valuation Report and Recommendations to the Director of Education.**

- **Draft Report with Recommendations**

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# Submission of Report To Director

- ARC report submitted to Director of Education (June 2009)
- Fall public board meeting
  - ARC Final Report
  - Initial Staff Report
  - Public Presentations
- Board Meeting for Final Decision

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# Four Categories

- Value to the student
- Value to the community
- Value to the school board
- Value to the local economy



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Please visit the kiosks for more information on  
the Thornhill ARC's customization of the  
School Valuation Framework.

Your input is important.

Please fill out a feedback form and speak to  
your ARC members.

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# ARC Communications

- Resource information for ARC Meetings will be provided by the Board **no later than 48 hours prior to a meeting**
- All ARC information is available on the Board's website at: [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)
- Questions or comments may be shared with the ARC at one of the 4 scheduled Public Meetings, via e-mail at [arcthornhill@ycdsb.ca](mailto:arcthornhill@ycdsb.ca) or left by voice mail at 905-713-1211 ext 7567
- Responses to questions submitted to the Thornhill ARC will be posted to the ARC web site once approved by the Thornhill ARC.

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