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## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING – SCHOOL REVIEWS**

Decreasing enrolment in St. James-Assiniboia is likely to continue into the immediate future. Recognizing that communities have an important stake in their schools community input should be invited when schools in this Division are designated to be reviewed.

This policy, through the formation of a School Review Committee, is intended to provide for that input and to lead to an orderly, positive and logical examination of the quality, access and effectiveness of the educational program, the use of facilities and the prudent use of tax dollars in the designated school or schools.

Regulations have been developed to provide a method for making decisions about school consolidation, which follow the provincial “Policy Statement Regarding Guidelines for School Closure”. See KCCB-R.

Tasks of the Committee may include suggestions to aid the school in continuing to provide quality education as well as a study to decide whether educational programs are suffering because of decreasing enrolment. The Committee may suggest various alternatives to resolve the problems created in the school due to decreasing enrolment. One of the alternatives may be a student enrolment consolidation. The Board will seriously consider all recommendations.

This policy provides methods for considering all other possibilities before a decision is made to close a school. However, if such a decision is made, this policy provides for an orderly and rational closing procedure.

The intent of this policy is to encourage community participation through elected representatives on the Committee. Personal presentations or submissions of briefs to the Committee at public meetings will enable the Committee to consider community ideas regarding the problems and solutions related to decreasing enrolment in the designated school or schools.

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