ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Education Committee

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Goal

Ensuring building capacity to implement the Board Approved Educational Program

Considerations

- Student enrollment has increased unequally among the five elementary schools

- Projected enrollment at the elementary level shows a trend towards continued growth

- Projected increase in enrollment will place further strain on building facilities and may result in a change in program delivery in at least one school (Devon Elementary)

5 Year Elementary Enrollment Projections

	Beaumont	Devon	Hillside	New Eagle	Valley Forge
2015 - Actual	401	592	434	440	558
2016 - Actual	404	585	441	468	534
2017	385	600	415	481	500
2018	382	606	421	493	481
2019	371	593	414	504	457
2020	367	592	422	503	472
2021	370	585	418	476	485

Possible Actions

- Keep Status Quo for time being and continue monitoring enrollment

- Build a new school

- Expand current facilities to accommodate increased enrollment

- Redistrict students in order to create more equitable enrollment among schools

Status Quo

- Enrollment and Facilities Projections indicate there is room to accommodate all students during the 2017-18 school year with little program delivery modification required

- Monitor whether or not the trend of increasing enrollment (especially in kindergarten and first grade) continues

- Determine future course of action during the 2017-18 school year as needed

- Would involve no cost or change in attendance boundaries at this time

Build a New School

- Add a 6th elementary building
- Could be a Kindergarten Center or a K-4 school
- Would involve cost
- Could involve some redistricting
- 3 year timeline – Could be ready by Fall 2020

Expand Current Facilities

- Consider possibility of further additions to schools
- Would involve cost
- Institutionalizes unequal school populations
- 2 year timeline – Could be ready by Fall 2019

Redistrict

- Consider adjusting attendance boundaries

- Could include two schools or more

- Would need a timeline of approximately 18 months to complete and implement

    * Design Plan Parameters

    * Develop and Propose Plan for Board Approval

    * Transition

    * Implementation

- Would need to make decisions about process and parameters