



Sustainability Study: Tide Head School



Overview

- Welcome & Introductions
- Presentation by Superintendent
- No pre-determined outcome - sustainability review involving all stakeholders
- First time information shared with DEC & Public
- Public Presentations/Rebuttals reserved for Meeting #2

Meeting Agenda

- Review of Provincial Policy 409 Multi Year Infrastructure Planning
- Presentation of Facts & Figures
- Next Steps
- Q & A

Background Information:

Meeting Last Spring With THS Parents

Fall updates to DEC re: enrolment gave rise to further consideration for a 409 review

As per policy, the Minister was notified that a sustainability study would proceed

Provincial Policy 409

- Section 6.1.2 – triggered sustainability study (Student enrolment trigger, percentage occupation trigger)
- Section 6.4 – Determining a school's sustainability
- Section 6.5 – Public consultation on a school's sustainability
- Section 6.6 – Ministerial approval of a school closure

Three Public Meetings

- # 1 – Presentation from the School District
(Nov. 26th)

- # 2 – Presentation from Community and
Stakeholders (Jan. 14th)

- # 3 - Final review of information by DEC
and decision (Jan. 21st - live stream to St.
Andrew's Hall from DEC mtg. at GG school)

The Local Economy



Economic Development – Tide Head

- Tide Head is a small community located in close proximity to the City of Campbellton.
- Population has decreased from 1149 in 2001 to 938 in 2016. (Stats Can).
- There are a few small businesses in the area.
- Residents of Tide Head commute to neighboring communities for work and shopping.

Economic Development - Tide Head (continued)

- In 2013 Zenabis announced a medicinal marijuana plant. A location in Atholville was secured in 2014.
- The plant is now operational and employees in excess of 100 people.
- We are not aware of any other major development in the surrounding areas.

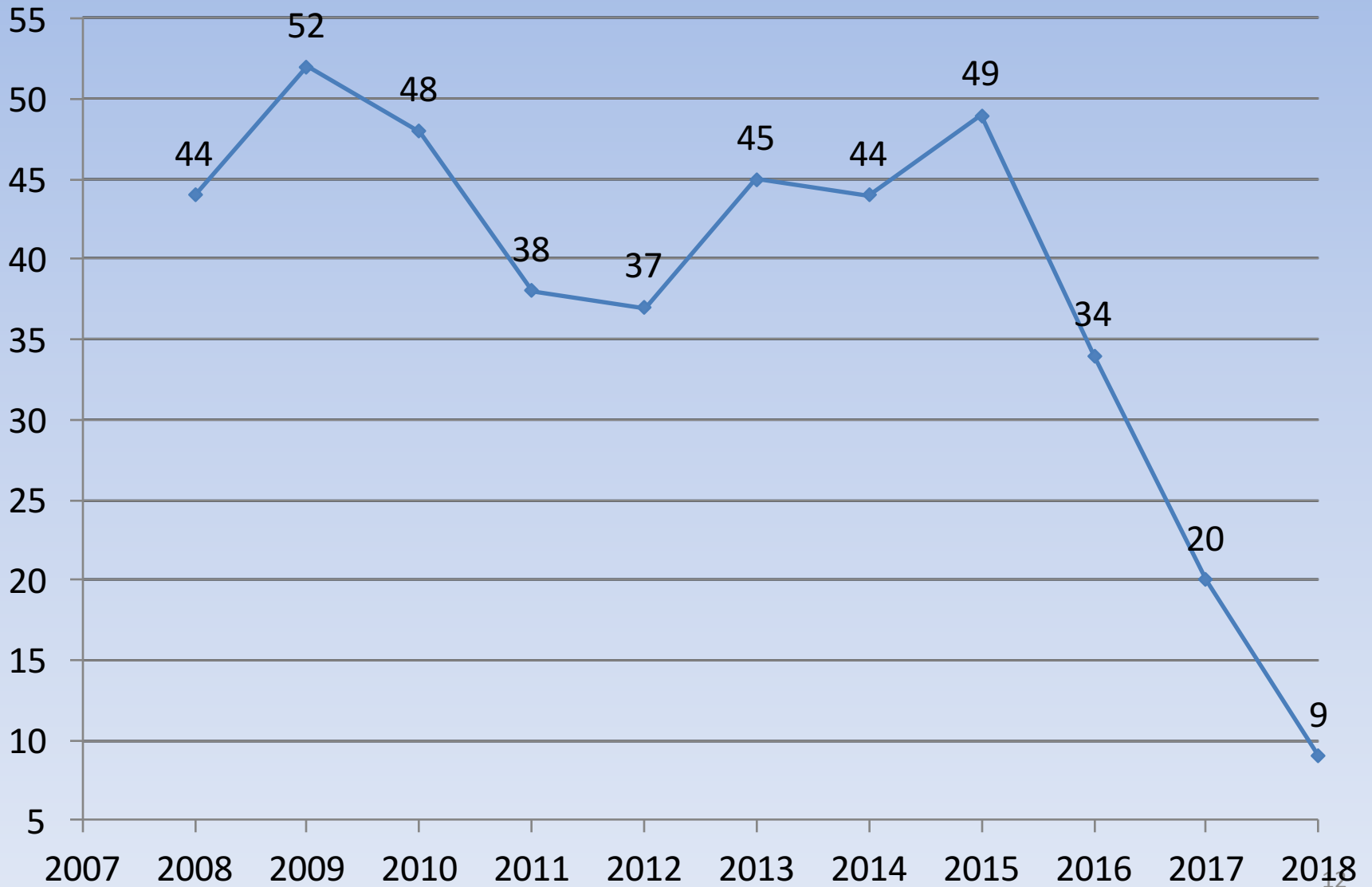
Economic Development – Campbellton

- The City of Campbellton has seen a decline in population in recent years. As per Stats Can the population was 7798 in 2001 and 6883 in 2016. A decline of 11.6%.
- AV Cell and Zenabis in nearby Atholville are major employers in the area.
- There are major retail outlets in the immediate area, which provide shopping and employment opportunities to the residents of the Campbellton region.
- The Health Care Sector and Education in the Campbellton region provide significant employment opportunities.

Enrolment



Historical Enrolment Tide Head School



Projected Enrolment

- 1 grade 5 student moving to CMS in 2019-2020
- K registrations have been stable at 3 for past few years (presently at 2)
- Currently 4 out of zone students attending Tide Head School
- We project a total of 8-10 students next year

Functional Capacity Tide Head School

Functional Capacity Data	Student Enrolment September 2018	Number of Classrooms	School Capacity	Capacity Rating
Based on 24.2 students per class	9	4	97	9.2%

Health and Safety Building Assessment



Structure

Tide Head School

- The school is a wood frame structure built in 1947, with a brick exterior.
- Cement basement. Asphalt shingle roof, which is approximately 14 years old.
- Portables were removed and replaced with a new permanent classroom in 2003.
- Link from school to church was constructed in 2008.
- Basement washrooms were upgraded approximately 16 years old.
- Bus and parent loop in front of school.

Fire Protection & Security

Tide Head School

- There is a fire alarm system in the school.
- No sprinkler system.
- Fire extinguishers and pull stations are located through the school.
- No video surveillance system in the school.
- There is an intrusion alarm in the school.

Domestic and Waste Water Tide Head School

- The school is supplied with water and sewage services from the Village of Tide Head.

Heating and Ventilation

Tide Head School

- Electric heat is utilized throughout the school. Oil furnace was removed approximately 16 years ago.
- School relies on operable windows to bring fresh air into the school.

Outstanding Capital Improvement Projects - Tide Head School

Scope of Work	Cost
Installation of a communication system	\$ 17,000
Upgrade the interior lighting	\$ 15,000
Pave area of parking lot between fence and entrance	\$ 25,000
Installation of a lift	\$ 60,000
Interior painting	\$ 12,000
Total	\$ 129,000

Education Programs and Services



FTE Teacher Allocations Based on Provincial Staffing Formulas – Tide Head

September 2018	Tide Head School
Classroom Teachers	1.3 FTE
Administration	0.06 FTE
Guidance	0.05 FTE
Resource	0.09 FTE
Total	1.5 FTE

Elementary Schools comparable Student/Teacher Ratio – September 2018

	Total Number Student/Teacher	Student/Teacher
Tide Head School	9/1.5	6.0
Janeville Elementary	38/3.7	7.6
Lord Beaverbrook School	167/15	11.1
L.E. Reinsborough School	166/13.5	12.3
Rexton Elementary	251/17.1	14.7

Other School Based Staff September 30, 2018

Classification	Tide Head School
Educational Assistant	2.0
School Administrative Assistant	0.51
Custodian	1.0
Library Worker	---
Total	3.51

Assessment Results

Tide Head School

Grade 2 Reading

Year	Tide Head School	District	Province
2014-15	44.4%	76.7%	77.5%
2015-16	77.8%	74.3%	73.8%
2016-17	57.2%	73.7%	75.8%
2017-18	100%	72.2%	71.3%

Transportation



Transportation – Tide Head School

- Currently 5 of the 9 students within the Tide Head School catchment area and are provided with transportation services.
- These students are spread over 4 runs.
- Increased time on bus – range from 10 minutes to 20 minutes.
- Four students attending Tide Head are considered out of zone and do not qualify for transportation.

Finances



Operation Costs 2017-18

(salaries adjusted for 2018-19 school year)

Category	Tide Head
Salaries – all staff	\$ 248,100
Instructional Expenses	7,518
Telephones	1,243
Electricity & Water	15,273
Minor Repairs	3,056
Snow & Garbage Removal	8,403
Cleaning Supplies	705
Rental	14,850
Total Operating Costs	\$ 299,148
Costs per student	\$ 33,238.66

Operation Costs

- Increased by over 300% in 4 years, steady decline in enrolment, from 44 students in 2014 to 9 students in 2018

Cost Comparison Per Student Basis – Elementary Schools

School	Operation Costs	# of students September 2017, Tide Head 2018	Cost per student
Tide Head School	\$ 299,148	9	\$ 33,238.66
Janeville Elementary	\$ 423,370	25	\$ 16,934.80
Lord Beaverbrook School	\$ 1,955,822	167	\$ 11,711.50
Napan Elementary	\$ 669,782	61	\$ 10,980.03
Terry Fox Elementary	\$ 1,915,177	209	\$ 9,335.77

Impact on Community – Tide Head School

- According to District records there has been minimal community use of the school, in summer of 2015 parking lot was used for a fund raising event and in summer of 2016 there was an organized school tour.
- The distance from the school to the center of the City of Campbellton is less than 10 km.

Impact on Community – Tide Head School

- If Tide Head School were to close one year earlier than originally scheduled there would be an impact on the church which is attached to the school.
- The District rents space from the church for programming.

Impact on Other Schools



Option 1

- Closure of Tide Head School in June 2019, one year earlier than scheduled.
- 7 students projected to be in grade K-4 next year will move to Lord Beaverbrook School. 3 students currently in grade 4 would move to CMS.
- Bus system in Tide Head currently transports students to school in Campbellton in the morning and out in the afternoon. Could possibly reduce buses by one.

Option 2

- Status quo, Tide Head remains open.
- Students at Tide Head will continue to have a lower students/educator ratio than other schools in the district.
- Higher per student cost than other schools.
- Students will continue to attend school in their local area for one more year.
- No change in bus transportation.

Option 2 continued

- capital investment may be needed on roof.
- In times of financial constraint funding may not be readily available to address this need or other needs that may come up during the year.

Opportunities



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- Increased opportunities for staff collaboration
- Students would benefit from specialized instruction such as guidance, resource, music, physical education.
- Potential for more student collaboration as part of a larger school.

Opportunities continued

- Fewer combined classes.
- More access to after school activities and sports teams.
- Increased socialization for students

Next Steps

- If you would like to prepare a Response Presentation, please contact Brenda Dunnett by January 8 to be included on the agenda for January 14 (mark.donovan@nbed.nb.ca)
- Response presentations to be done by community stakeholders on January 14 at 6:30 at St. Andrew's United Church Hall to the District Education Council
- Decision by District Education Council – DEC meeting on January 21 at Gretna Green School. Live broadcast at St. Andrews United Church Hall.

Questions

