# Article 1 Amendments to the Regional School Agreement (majority vote, by ballot)

Move that the Town accept the amendments to the Regional School Agreement consistent with the Article.

## Expanded Regionalization

Acton/Boxborough Pre-K to 12 District Special Town Meeting: June 3, 2013

Dennis P. Bruce Chair, Acton Public Schools Committee



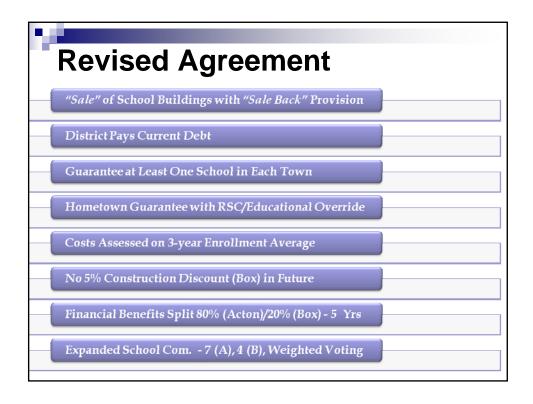
## How We Got Here...

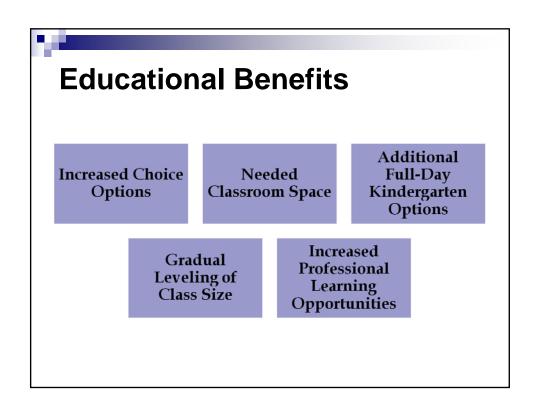
## Fall 2011 - Let's Get Started

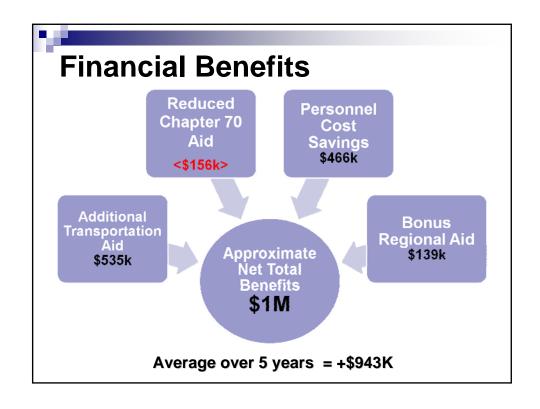
- · Committee Formed
- Work Begins
- 2012 Town Meeting Voted to Take the "Next Step" to Revise the Current Regional Agreement

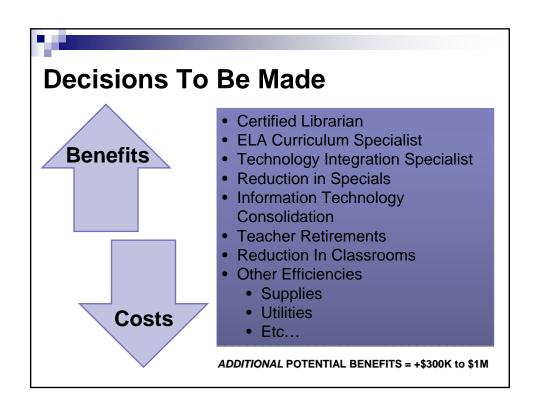
## June 2012 - Expanded Committee

- · Identified & Explored Issues
- Preliminary Recommendation of Framework for Revised Agreement
- · Outreach Identified Issues with Draft Agreement
- Progress Haited then Revised Proposals Reinvigorated the Process
- RSDSC Voted to Present Revised Agreement to RSC and Draft "Final" Agreement for RSC Review
- Preliminary Acceptance by DESE











## What a Yes Vote Does Not Mean...

- Loss of Control
  - □ Regional Assessment Approval Same as Today (Town Meeting Vote)
  - □ SC Members Committed to the Current ALG Process
  - □ Open Budget Process with Community Input
  - ☐ Acton Members of RSC Have Super-Majority Votes
- Boxborough's Getting Bailed Out
- Home Values Will Decline

## Expanded Regionalization is...



## **Good for Our Students**

Better Education Service Delivery to Students



## **Good for Our Schools**

 Efficient Operations Enabled by Streamlining the Organizational Structure



## Good for Our Taxpayers

Tangible and Persistent Financial Benefits and



## Good for Our Communities

Strengthen the Good Working Relationship between Acton and Boxborough



## **Changes to the Article**

- Subsection E has been added to Section 3, which makes it clear that the District will provide transportation to all eligible resident students in grades pre-K to 12.
   DESE requires that such a statement be expressly included in order for the District to receive state transportation reimbursements for all grade levels
- Section 4, subsection A, the word "community" that appeared in the second sentence has been changed to "town". DESE had a preference for this word change
- Section 6, subsection B, a sentence has been added at the end to make it expressly clear that any amendments to the Regional Agreement are subject to the approval of the Commissioner
- 4. Subsection 4, d of Appendix A, the figure of 1.53% (which was a typographical error) that appeared on lines 11, 15, 17, and 18 has been changed to 1.49%. These figures are part of the "for example" language in this subsection and the changes are thus completely non-substantive in nature. As a result of these corrections, the figure 82.39% that appeared on line 17 has been changed to 82.43%, and the figure 17.61% that appeared on line 18 has been changed to 17.57%. These changes, as well, are entirely non-substantive in nature
- 5. The date on the cover has been changed from 4/29/13 to 5/31/13



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## **Article #2**

- Amend the Town Charter
- Bring Acton's SC representation to 7
- Needs Two-Thirds Vote
- Must Also Be Approved at Next Town Election
- A NO Vote Will
  - □ Not Change the outcome of Article #1
  - ☐ Limit Acton's Voting Power on the SC

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# Article 3 Terminate Office of Local School Committee (majority vote)

Move in the words of the Article.

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## Article #3

- Terminate the Current Acton Public Schools Committee as of July 1, 2014
- New Regional School Committee in Place
- Simple Majority Vote Needed

## Article 3 Terminate Office of Local School Committee (majority vote)

Move in the words of the Article.