



# **Waterloo Region District School Board**

Responses to Questions from June 9<sup>th</sup>

Committee of the Whole

June 16, 2014

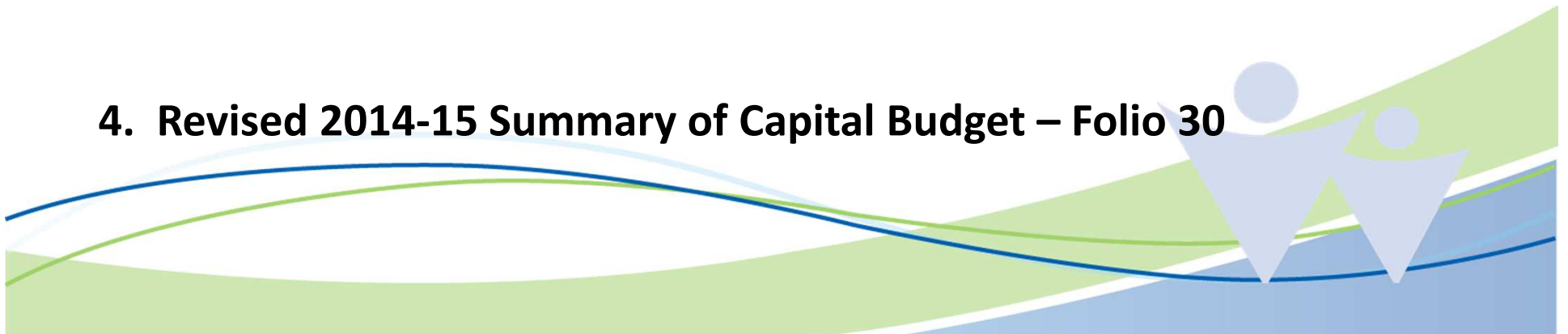
# June 11<sup>th</sup> Handout

**1. Memorandum 2014: SB04 – Special Education Funding and Mental Health Leaders**

**2. Memorandum 2014: B5 – 2014-15 School Year Education Programs – Other (EPO) Funding & Revised Folio 23 Summary Report**

**3. Board Report March 24, 2014: Bell Time Update – Bridgeport Public School**

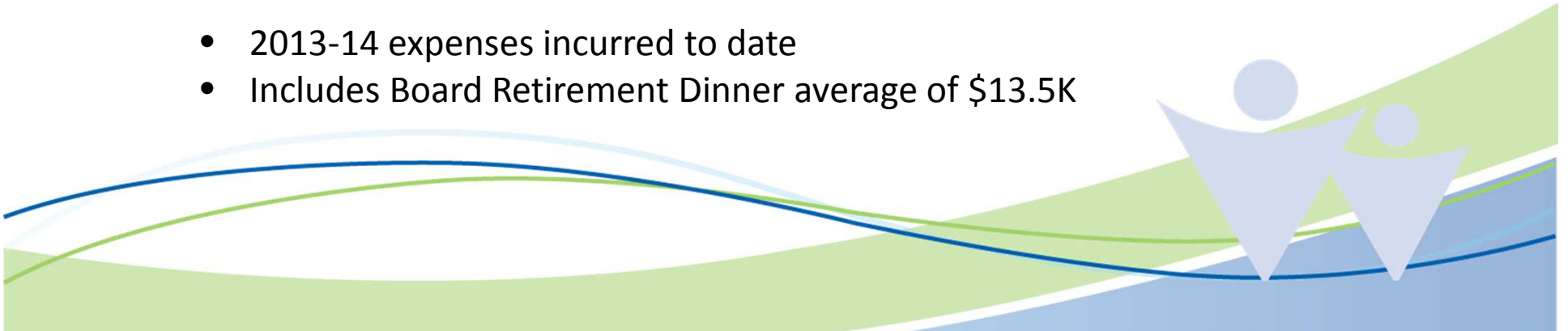
**4. Revised 2014-15 Summary of Capital Budget – Folio 30**



# Historical Off-Site Meeting Expenses

	<b>Expenses</b>
2011-12	\$ 226,305
2012-13	\$ 173,740
2013-14	\$ 189,982

- 2013-14 expenses incurred to date
- Includes Board Retirement Dinner average of \$13.5K



# Why is Our Enrolment Down?

- Demographics
- Changes to Ministry Policy



# Demographics

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  - School Age Population in the Region is Down
  - Grade 8 to Grade 9 Attraction Rate is Down
  - Economic Growth in the Region is Down



# Changes in Ministry Policies

- Factors affecting the number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) students generated by our student population:
  - Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL)
  - “15 Day” Rule
  - 34 Credit Threshold
- Combined, these policies reduce the amount of FTE generated by our secondary school population.



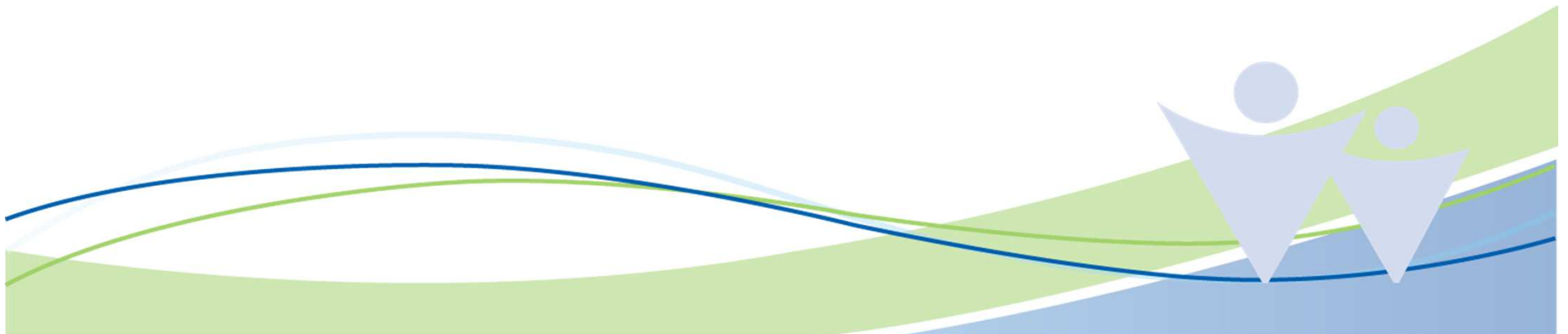
# Supervised Alternative Learning

- Announced September 2010
  - Outlined new eligibility requirements for students participating in Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Programs
  - Reduced funding for the majority of students with a SAL Plan from 1.0 FTE to 0.5 FTE
  - Approximately 160 FTE budgeted in 14/15



# “15 Day” Rule

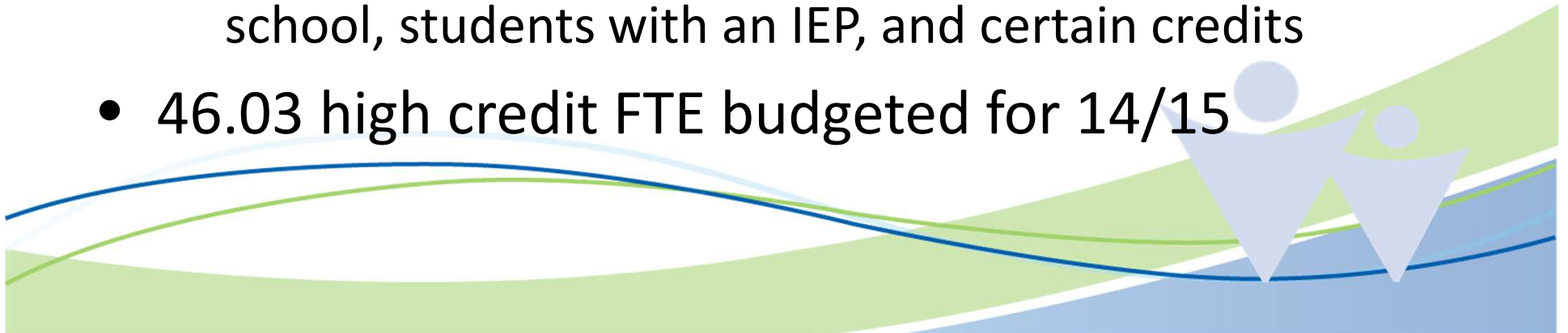
- Announced August 30, 2012
  - Students who miss a class for 15 consecutive days without supporting medical documentation must be withdrawn from that class.
  - If a student is enrolled in 3 courses and is withdrawn from 1, reduces their enrolment status from Full-time to Part-time.



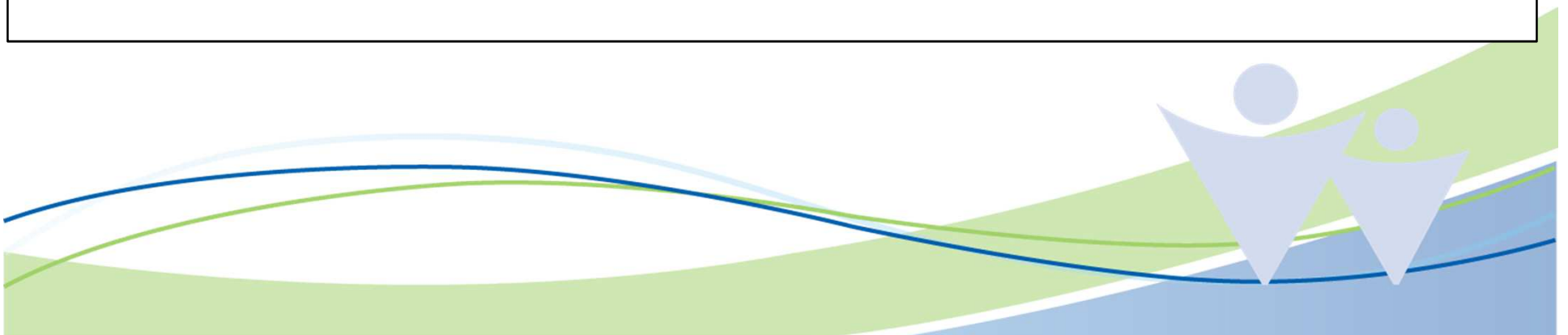
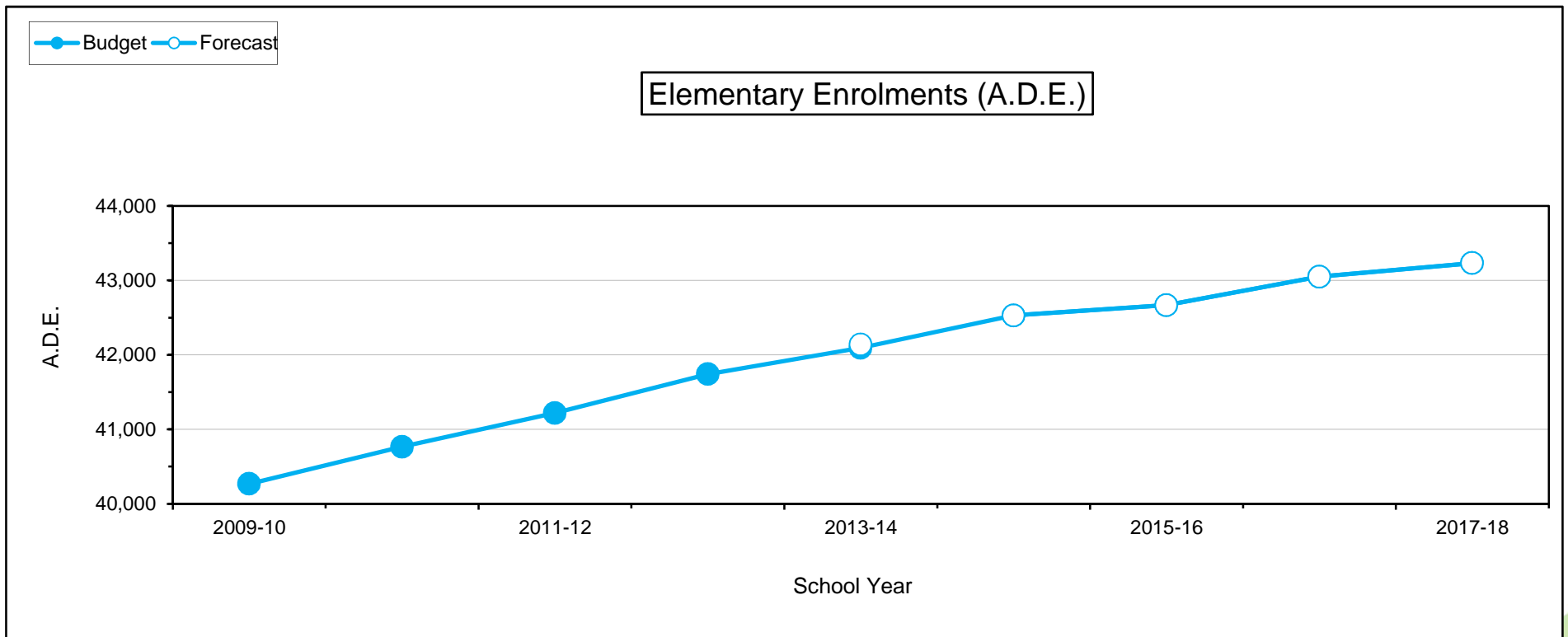


# 34 Credit Threshold

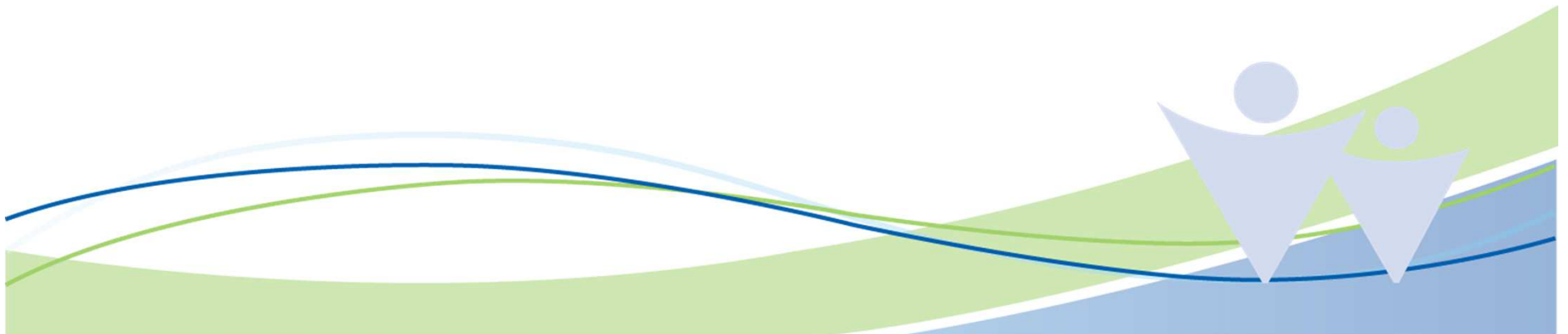
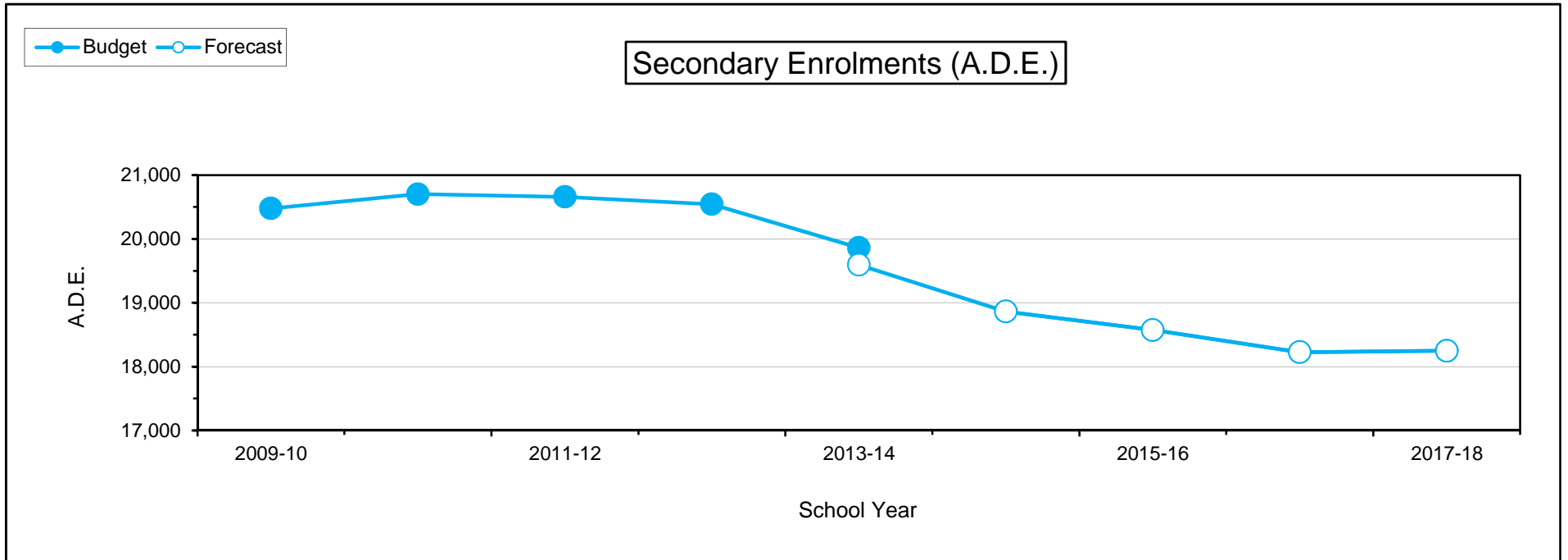
- Announced as part of the 2012 Ontario Budget (March 2012)
- Details provided to School Boards (January 30, 2013)
- Reduces funding for students who have successfully completed 34 credits
  - Exemptions for students within first 4 years of high school, students with an IEP, and certain credits
- 46.03 high credit FTE budgeted for 14/15



# Multi-Year Forecast- Elementary



# Multi-Year Forecast- Secondary



Questions?

