Board Agenda

May 27, 2025



Medicine Hat Public Board of Education Operating as Medicine Hat Public School Division



MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATING AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

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MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATING AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION

<u>REGULAR MEETING</u> TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025 - 5:30 P.M.

CENTRAL OFFICE - BOARD ROOM

AGENDA

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It is recommended that the Board move to Committee of the Whole to discuss certain confidential matters.

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III. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

IV. TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy and the people of Treaty 7 Region in Southern Alberta. We honour and acknowledge the homeland of the Métis people. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us.

Medicine Hat Christian School - Land Acknowledgement

CW

V. INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT DELEGATES

The Board of Trustees welcomes our student delegates!

Students representing Medicine Hat High School are Chudier Ruach, Joud Sadek Haj Suliman and Alexis Unreiner.

Students representing Crescent Heights High School are Shyanne Mooney, Alyssa Morris, and Maia Peterson.

CW

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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VII. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular and the Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday**, **April 29**, **2025**, and **Tuesday**, **May 13**, **2025**, and the Special Meeting held on **Thursday**, **May 15**, **2025**.

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VIII. PRESENTATION

1. Congratulations to Division Students in MHPSD 100 Club

Medicine Hat Public School Division is incredibly proud of Medicine Hat High School students Fatema Riaz and Brandon Lee.

- Fatema Riaz scored 100% on the Math 30 Diploma Exam
- Brandon Lee scored 100% on the Math 30 Diploma Exam

These students, their teachers and families are invited to recognize this achievement.

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IX. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank You Card from Crescent Heights High School Student

Crescent Heights High School student, Ben Meier, expressed appreciation for receiving the CHHS Foods Award.

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X. RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Kiskihkeyimowin

This year's Kiskihkeyimowin event, meaning "sharing good teachings" in Plains Cree, brought together grade 4 and 10 students for an immersive learning experience. Hosted at Medicine Hat College from May 5 to 9, 2025, the event fostered reconciliation by allowing students to connect with Indigenous leaders, Elders, knowledge keepers, and other esteemed community members.

Through interactive activities and presentations, students embarked on a journey of discovery into the rich traditions of Blackfoot, Cree, and Métis cultures. This fostered a deeper understanding and appreciation for Indigenous perspectives and ways of life.

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XI. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Budget 2025-2026 Spring Release

As per the Education Act the Board is presented in May with a budget proposal for the upcoming school year. The Spring Release is built on best estimates available at the time. An update will be provided in the fall on actual student numbers.

It should be noted that the budget is in a balanced budget position for 2025-26 fiscal year. We present the plan to the Board for consideration and approval.

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2. Education Plan

Year 4 of the 2022-2026 Education Plan will be shared for review and approval. The development process of the plan and how it fits within the overall Assurance Framework will be shared. Highlights of the plan will also be provided.

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3. Reauthorization of Locally Developed Courses – Junior High School

Request to reauthorize the following locally developed junior high school courses:

Start Date	Last Year
9/1/2025	8/31/2029
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All courses have been previously offered in our division. In a survey of school, it was noted that schools intend to offer these courses in the next cycle of approval.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the reauthorization of these junior high school courses.

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4. International Off-Site Activity: Request For Approval in Principle

It is recommended that the Board approve, in principle, an international off-site activity for students from Crescent Heights High School represented by teacher, Robert Konczak, to travel to France and Italy for the period April 3 to April 12, 2026, subject to the following conditions:

- a) that the destination and the submitted itinerary are approved at the Division level;
- b) that all informed consent forms are signed by parents;
- c) that a Consent for Children Travelling Abroad be completed and signed by each parent;
- d) that each student is in possession of a passport, valid for at least six months beyond the expected return date.
- e) that there is no cost to the Board, other than the cost of substitute teachers to replace designated supervising teachers traveling on the trip;
- f) that all funds related to this trip be managed by the School Bookkeeper using the School Trip Accounting Template (720 E 015);
- g) that all volunteer forms, including criminal record check with vulnerable sector search, are completed and approved;
- h) that all students and chaperones are required to obtain School Division Travel Insurance;

- i) that the Lead Teacher continues to monitor all travel advisories and ensure students and parents are aware that the trip could be modified or cancelled based on travel advisories for the destination(s);
- j) that the Lead Teacher comply with all criteria set out in Policy 720: Off-Site Activities.
- k) that all required transportation forms are completed and approved;
- I) that students are provided opportunities for fundraising to offset their travel cost.

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International AIP 720 E 010 Enclosure No. 5
Financial Summary Enclosure No. 6

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XII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. <u>Division Council of School Councils'</u>

The Division Council of School Councils held a meeting on Thursday, May 8, 2025. The meeting minutes are enclosed for information.

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Enclosure No. 7

XIII. <u>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION</u>

1. Medicine Hat Public School Division Pancake Breakfast

The Board of Trustees and the School Division will be hosting its annual Pancake Breakfast for all staff on Friday, June 26 from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. at Medicine Hat High School.

XIV. ACTION ARISING OUT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

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XV. ADJOURNMENT

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