

Terry,

Merry Christmas And Happy New Year!

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and all
the very best in the New Year!

Blake and Angela

Blake

To: Lillian Wright Memorial Scholarship

Thank You

I just wanted to say Thank you for the scholarship money. I was happy to be the recipient of this award. Such a nice gesture... it definately made me smile. ☺

From: Shanaye Gackle
© Alexandra Middle School

Dear Mr. Labossiere,

I am writing to express my appreciation
for the award from the Thelma Berkeley-
Robinson Scholarship Trust.

Thank you.

Sincerely, William Lee



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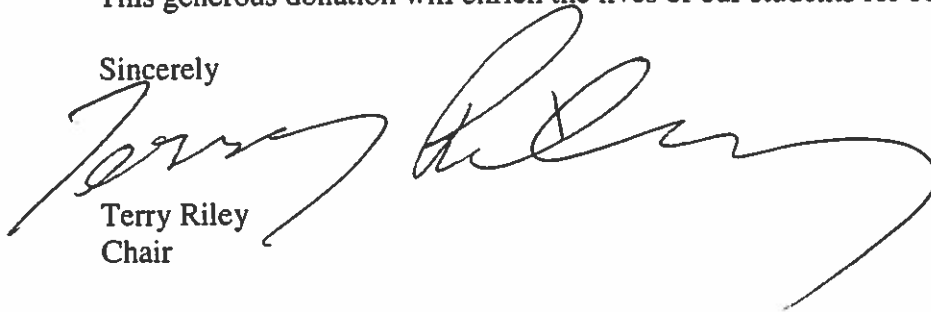
Blue Sky Music
Suite 400, 220 – 3rd Avenue S.
Lethbridge, AB T1J 0G9

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation for your contribution of keyboards and your commitment to send a teacher each week to give lessons to students.

This generous donation will enrich the lives of our students for beyond their school career.

Sincerely



Terry Riley
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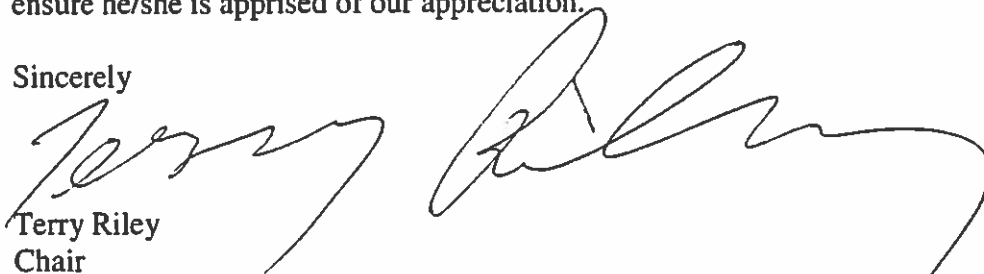
Mr. David George
Principal
Crestwood School

Dear Mr. George:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express thanks and congratulations to you, your staff, and your students for being ambassadors for the District. Your collective dedication and contribution to the District and our students is exemplary and makes all of us richer for the experience.

I presume the student from Medicine Hat High School was a graduate of your program. Please ensure he/she is apprised of our appreciation.

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Mrs. Deni Neigum
Principal
Connaught School

Dear Mrs. Neigum:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express its thanks to you, your staff and students for the contribution of books to students in the Young Mom's Program.

I am sure these students greatly appreciated this gesture of support at a time when they were in dire need of such support.

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Ms. Alicia Hall
Young Mom's Program
1707 – 7th Avenue N.E.
Medicine Hat, AB T1C 1P5

Dear Ms. Hall:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to convey profound gratitude to the students in your program who took time to volunteer and read to students at Webster Niblock School. I am sure this was an enriching experience for both the students at Webster Niblock School as well as your students.

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Ms. Holly Stadnicki
United Way
928 Allowance Avenue S.E.
Medicine Hat, AB T1A 3G7

Dear Ms. Stadnicki:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express its profound gratitude for your donation to Elm Street School in order to rebuild their greenhouse. As a Board we have always believed it is vital that the community-at-large participate in and support our efforts to provide a broad-based education for our students.

Your contribution gladdened our hearts and provided an uplifting reassurance of our belief.

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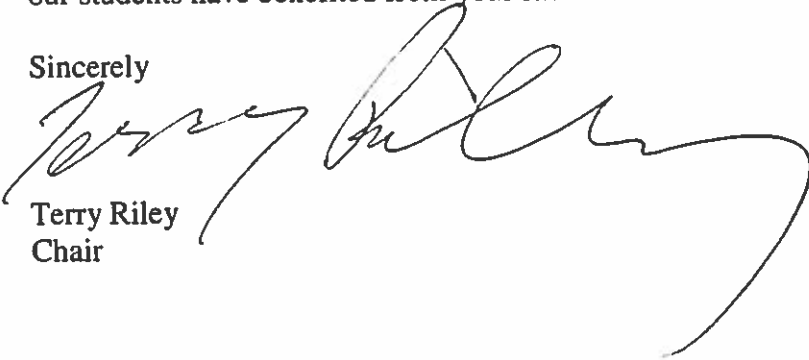
Dr. Ken Sauer
23 Prairie Court N.E.
Medicine Hat, AB T1C 1R4

Dear Dr. Sauer:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express its deepest appreciation for your long-term work and dedication to the District and its students. That dedication and work has inspired us, established the model and set the bar for all of us.

Please accept this token of our esteem and gratitude and express to you and Valerie how deeply our students have benefited from your sacrifice.

Sincerely


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Dr. Larry Henderson
20 Begonia Court S.E.
Medicine Hat, AB T1B 2S3

Dear Dr. Henderson:

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Please accept this token of our esteem and gratitude and express to you and Vera how deeply our students have benefited from your sacrifice.

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December 1, 2014

Mayor Ted Clugston
580 – 1st Street S.E.
Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8E6

Dear Mayor Clugston:

The Board of Trustees, Medicine Hat School District No. 76, wishes to express its profound disappointment with your decision to not meet with us this year. As elected officials, it is our desire to work collaboratively with you, to identify ways that together common goals could be identified and efficiencies to achieve these goals would be achieved. You will recall that the Council met with the Board – at the Board's invitation – in January 2014. At the end of that meeting, we believed that there was general agreement that it would be beneficial for us to work collaboratively in building a better community in Medicine Hat. In fact, we had the understanding that you indicated that "next year it will be our turn to host you for dinner". When no such invitation was received, we once again initiated an invitation for you to join us to work together in order to build a better community. Hence, we were disappointed to see that you had rejected the suggestion that we meet in January 2015.

The kind of collaboration we seek in Medicine Hat is not ground breaking or unique. In many cities across this province there are examples of significant collaboration between the city and school board.

1. In Calgary, the city funds a youth activity program for students after school.
2. In Lethbridge, the city routinely has provided money to new schools to enhance those schools' gymnasiums for joint use purposes. They also have joint use libraries.
3. In Red Deer, there are consultations with the school board with regard to the location of, and use of, city recreational facilities with a view to not put such facilities out of reach for school use, and there are joint use libraries. The community of Red Deer benefits from the Dawe Branch of the Red Deer Public Library which is joined to St. Patrick's School. Red Deer Public Library's newest branch (the Timberland's Branch) opened to the public in September 2014. This branch was built in partnership with Red Deer Public Schools and serves as a combination school and public library.

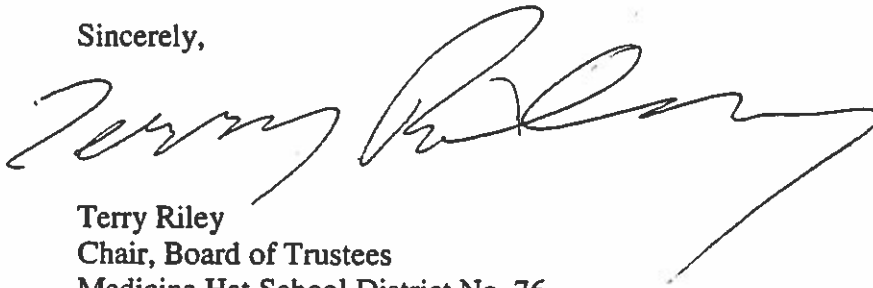
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4. In Edmonton, the city has agreed to purchase decommissioned schools "at fair market value" realizing that having these properties can provide a means to revitalize older sections of the city. This collaborative joint venture provides a win-win opportunity for both the city and school community.
5. In Fort McMurray, there are numerous examples of the city and school boards working collaboratively to improve the community and the life of its people.

The examples above prove that the greater community can clearly benefit from the City and the School Boards working together. We at the School Board feel strongly that the first step is to build positive and open relationships. Our suggestion for annual meetings at the political level was how we were hoping to build those relationships. As such, we are greatly disappointed with the City's intention to defer the meeting for yet another year.

Let me conclude by once again expressing our regret of your decision not to meet with us in a timely manner to deal with these weighty issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Riley", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Terry Riley
Chair, Board of Trustees
Medicine Hat School District No. 76