

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76 HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Terry Riley, Mr. Rick Massini, Ms. Deborah Forbes, Mrs. Carolyn Freeman

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Mrs. Catherine Wilson Fraser

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mr. Mark Davidson, Superintendent  
Mr. Jerry Labossiere, Secretary Treasurer  
Mrs. Tracy Hensel, Associate Superintendent

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Mr. Lyle Cunningham, Deputy Superintendent

CHAIR: Mr. Rick Massini

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. Angie Lesko

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Additions under:

ITEMS FOR ACTION

3. Locally Developed Course - MHHS

4. Motion to be Presented to ASBA Zone 6

101. Ms. Forbes **THAT** the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

**II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and February 7, 2017.

102. Mrs. Freeman **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and February 7, 2017 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**III. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Thank you card from Taylor Zeller Re: Grant Henderson Scholarship

2. Thank you card from Brooklyn Kaczynski Re: Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship

#### IV. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

##### 1. Crescent Heights High School Musical Performance

Congratulations to the CHHS students and Director, Ms. Jennifer Davies, for entertaining the community with another outstanding drama/musical performance. The production of *Bonnie & Clyde* was outstanding and showcased the tremendous talents of our students.

#### V. ITEMS FOR ACTION

##### 1. Crescent Heights High School Field Trip Request to New York City

At the February 23, 2016 Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees a request was presented by Crescent Heights High School for an out-of-country field trip. The trip was approved, in principle, subject to various conditions. All conditions set out by the Board have now been met. It was noted that the dates of travel have changed to include Sunday, April 2 to Thursday, April 6, 2017 (previously April 12 to April 20, 2017).

103. Ms. Forbes

**THAT** the Board of Trustees give final approval for the Crescent Heights High School field trip to New York City for the period April 2, 2017 to April 6, 2017.

**CARRIED**

Mr. Riley noted that some Canadian school boards are cancelling school trips due to the travel ban issue in the United States.

##### 2. Riverside School Closure Process

The Board has had a series of discussions regarding the closure of Riverside School. To complete the School Closure process the Board is required to pass a motion at an open meeting, including the date of closure.

104. Mr. Riley

**THAT** Riverside School be closed effective June 30, 2017.

**CARRIED**

**3. Locally Developed Course - MHHS**

Medicine Hat High School has submitted a request for approval of a new locally developed course, *Theatre Production 15-25-35*, for the period September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021.

105. Mrs. Freeman

**THAT** the Board approve the request from Medicine Hat High School to implement a new locally developed course, *Theatre Production 15-25-35*, for a four year period from September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021.

**CARRIED**

**4. Motion to be Presented to ASBA Zone 6**

Mr. Riley indicated the intent to have Medicine Hat School District No. 76 present the following motion at the ASBA Zone 6 meeting:

*The Alberta School Boards Association will refer to its identity according to the language used in the School Act and the Alberta School Boards Association Act, most specifically stating ASBA's purpose as an association of publicly funded school boards and a voice of fully publicly funded education.*

106. Mr. Riley

**THAT** the Board support the presentation of the motion to ASBA Zone 6.

**CARRIED**

**VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**1. Medicine Hat Public Schools Education Foundation**

A Special Meeting of the Education Foundation will be held on Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. to decide the future direction of the Foundation. All Education Foundation meetings have been postponed until further notice.

**2. Coordinating Committee**

Minutes of the Coordinating Committee meeting held on February 6, 2017 were attached for information.

**VII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**1. Trustee Reports**

As part of the Board's goal of "*Putting the Public Back into Public Education*" Trustees reported on their activities since the previous meeting.

Mrs. Freeman attended the George Davison School Council meeting, the District Council of School Councils meeting and the *Bonnie and Clyde* production at CHHS, as well as the visit with the Minister at Vincent Massey School.

Ms. Forbes attended the Vincent Massey School Council meeting, as well as the visit with the Minister at Vincent Massey School.

Mr. Riley presented service awards at various schools and attended School Council meetings at Herald School, Webster Niblock School and Connaught School, as well as the visit with the Minister at Vincent Massey School.

Mr. Massini attended School Council meetings at George Davison School, MHHS, Southview School and Crestwood School, as well as the visit with the Minister at Vincent Massey School.

**VIII. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

107. Mrs. Freeman

**THAT** the Board move to Committee of the Whole to discuss certain confidential matters.

**CARRIED**

The Board moved to Committee of the Whole at 6:48 p.m.

**IX. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING**

The Board reconvened to the open board meeting at 8:26 p.m.

**X. ACTION ARISING OUT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

108. Mr. Riley

**THAT** the Board accept Personnel Matter #2017-03 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

109. Ms. Forbes

**THAT** the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

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**CHAIR**

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**SECRETARY TREASURER**