DIVISION COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCIL 2025-2026

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DIVISION COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Date and Time: Thursday, October 16, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

Location: Central Office – Learning Centre

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order (Past Chair)

2. <u>Treaty Land Acknowledgement</u> (Past Chair)

I'd like to acknowledge that we are on Treaty 7 territory, the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Nations, including Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai, the Tsuut'ina, Nation and Stoney Nakoda First Nations. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.¹

Land Acknowledgement – Elm Street School

3. Roll Call for Attendance (Past Chair)

4. Adoption of Minutes (Past Chair)

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Division Council of School Council Meeting held on May 8, 2025.

2025 May 8 – DCSC Minutes

5. Organizational Items

- Election of Division Council Chair / Vice-Chair (T. Hensel)
- Election of Parent Representative to sit on Coordinating Committee (Chair)
 *Meeting dates: Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. December 8, March 2, May 11, 2026.

6. Virtual vs. in-Person Meetings (Chair)

A discussion of meeting format and preference for this group.

Last year the first and last meetings were in-person and the other two were virtual.

7. Review of Operating Procedures (Chair)

In the Operating Procedures it is noted that a review will take place annually.

It is recommended that the COSC vote to approve Operating Procedures as presented.

^{*}If approved have new Chair and Vice Chair sign.

8. Policy and Procedures

The following procedures have been updated or newly drafted to comply with Bill 27: Education Amendment Act, mandated as of September 1, 2025. Please review and bring forward any questions or suggestions that you may have at the meeting:

At Home Learning (T. Hensel) 320 AP 005: At Home Learning

Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (Cody)

<u>614 AP 001: Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity</u> *Updated – addition of items #13 to 18.

614 AP 002: Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation, and Human Sexuality Topics (New)

614 E 001: Parental Notification and Consent for Instruction Related to Human Sexuality, Gender Identity, and Sexual Orientation (New)

Athlete Eligibility Confirmation (T. Hensel)

722 AP 002: Athlete Eligibility Confirmation

722 E 002: Fairness and Safety in Sport Confirmation Form

Volunteers, Coaches and Leaders (T. Hensel)

The following administrative procedures and exhibits have been developed or updated to ensure adequate documentation is in place for our coaches and volunteers working with students. The documents are linked for review and comment.

720 AP 005: Volunteers (New)

720 AP 006: Community Coaches-Leaders (New)

720 E 013: Volunteer Registration Form (Draft)

720 E 016: Volunteer Police Information Check and Child Services Intervention Record Check (New)

720 E 017: Volunteer Attestation Form

Assessment and Reporting (T. Hensel)

This existing administrative procedure has been updated to reflect changes in reporting and communication.

Enclosure No. 1: 616 AP 001: Assessment and Reporting

9. Items for Discussion

Alberta School Council Association Funding (T. Hensel)

Our finance department is in the process of applying for the 2025/26 - Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant. Once the Division receives the funds in early December, they funds will be allocated to schools. School Councils should start making plans to spend the \$500 allocation in accordance with the guidelines.

More information on this can be found on the Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) website. <u>Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant</u>

New this year is the ASCA Access Pass – a great way to use grant money!

10. Items for Information

Annual Reporting – School Council

Several School Councils have submitted their 2024-25 Annual Report. If you have not – there is a <u>Template</u> is on the MHPSD website.

The Information Station!

Each meeting we will share a bit of information on School Councils, as some school council chairs are new and some have experience, feel free to share what works in your school!

*This meeting we will discuss the purpose of a school council.

Information on the role of School Councils and Council of School Councils can be found on:

- the Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) website; School Councils in Alberta
- the Medicine Hat Public School Division Website www.mhpsd.ca; Policy 900:
 School Councils; Policy 212:
 Division Council of School Councils

School Council eNews

The Alberta School Council Association sends out their newsletters via email. If you would like to subscribe visit the ASCA website at https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/ or click HERE.

Future Meeting Dates

- Thursday, December 11, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 12, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.
- ASCA Annual Conference: April 2026
- Thursday, May 7, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

School Council Parking Lot Conversations

Division Council Chairs would like to create an opportunity for sharing ideas, processes and build relationships.