



MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76

REGULAR MEETING

A G E N D A

Tuesday, December 15, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on **Tuesday, November 24, 2015** and Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, November 24, 2015** and **December 1, 2015**.

TR

II a. DELEGATION

1. **Presentation by Darren Hirsch re: International Travel**

TR

III. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Thank you card from Kate Olechowski re: Lillian Wright Memorial Scholarship**

TR

[Enclosure No. 1](#)

Page No. 13

2. **Copy of letter from Mr. Terry Riley to Hon. David Eggen, Minister of Education re: install solar panels in new Ranchlands school**

TR

[Enclosure No. 1](#)

Page No. 14

IV. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Holiday Performances

The Board wishes to recognize all the schools for their holiday performances, including Christmas concerts, band concerts, celebrations, extravaganzas and activity evenings. The staff and students generously host their communities, families and friends to share in the celebration of the season. These activities support the goal of "Putting the Public Back into Public Education".

LC

2. Renee Dowling

Congratulations to Mrs. Renee Dowling, teacher at River Heights School, who is the Editor of *FACTA*, a news journal of the Fine Arts Council of the Alberta Teachers' Association. The District is proud to support Mrs. Dowling in this position with the ATA.

LC

V. PRESENTATIONS

1. Heather McCaig

Ms. McCaig and her students will present their work with a humanitarian project in Ethiopia.

LC

[Enclosure No. 2](#)
Page No. 15

2. Capacity Building

An overview of the district capacity building initiatives will be provided by Directors of Programs and Instruction and the Student Services Team.

SF/JS/CC/ND/TF

[Enclosure No. 3](#)
Page No. 17

VI. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Policies

The Coordinating Committee reviewed, revised and recommended that the following policies and procedures be forwarded to the Board of Trustees.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following revised policies:

- a) Policy 530: Police Information Check (PIC) – Children's Services Intervention Record Check (CSIRC) and 530 P 001 [Enclosure No. 4]
- b) Policy 667: Student Interviews by Police and Child Protection Services [Enclosure No 5]

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees receive the following revised Procedures:

- a) Procedure 530 P 001: Police Information Check (PIC) – Children’s Services Intervention Record Check (CSIRC)
- b) Procedure 667 P 001: Student Interviews by Police and Child Protection Services

CWF/SF

[Enclosure Nos. 4 and 5](#)
Page Nos. 27 and 31

2. **2016-2017 School Year Calendar**

The 2016-2017 draft school year calendar was circulated to staff and parents for input.

It is recommended that the Board approve the 2016-2017 school year calendar as attached.

LC

[Enclosure No. 6](#)
Page No. 37

VII. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

1. **Coordinating Committee**

Minutes of the December 7, 2015 Coordinating Committee meeting are attached.

CWF

[Enclosure No. 7](#)
Page No. 39

2. **Medicine Hat Public Schools’ Education Foundation**

Minutes of the November 25, 2015 Public Schools’ Education Foundation meeting are attached.

RM

[Enclosure No. 8](#)
Page No. 41

3. **District Council of School Councils**

Minutes of the December 3, 2015 District Council of School Councils meeting are attached.

CF

[Enclosure No. 9](#)
Page No. 45

VIII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. School Visit Reports

As part of the Board's goal of "Putting the Public Back into Public Education" trustees were visiting one school each year for the next three years. This is a chance to share the governance perceptions from trustees in this goal.

TR

IX. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

TR

X. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT