

## DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

Attendees:	Ammy Blenner-Hassett	Mark Davidson
	Carolyn Freeman	Callie Fichter
	Mike Flieger	Elizabeth Gebhardt
	Sarah Gregory	Shade Holmes
	Karen Johnson	Amanda Kenny
	Lee Krasilowez	Jamie Lobert
	Gina Miller	Brigitte Pinter
	Rebeca Rothfus	Karen Saffran
	Taneill Selinger	Jennifer Stang
	ATA Representative	Shannon Welsh
	Tracy Wemyss	

Date and Time: Thursday, October 1, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Location: Central Office - Grant Henderson Learning Centre

### 1. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS

### 2. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

M. Davidson: Election of Chair  
Appointment of Recording Secretary  
Representative for Coordinating Committee (4 More meetings 1-3:00 p.m.)

### 3. ALBERTA SCHOOL COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

M. Davidson: **ASCA General Meeting & Feedback on Resolutions**

The [Alberta School Council Association](#) will host a VIRTUAL **Regular General Meeting on Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm** for consideration of the *2020 Proposed Advocacy Resolutions* and other business deemed essential by the Board. **REGISTER** by using the link above.

The final draft Agenda and Order Paper will be posted by end of day **Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.

\*Please explore the ASCA webpage for resources, workshops, enews etc.  
Here is a link to update [Current School Council Contact Information](#)

### 4. COVID UPDATE

M. Davidson: **Transportation**

Adhering to Policy 804 – Transportation of Students to try to limit riders to approximately 44 due to pandemic. The guidelines to be eligible for transportation are outlined in AP [804 P 001 - Transportation of Students](#)

### **Federal Funding**

The Division retained 1.1 million to support potential central expenses such as PPE, substitute teachers, educational assistants and additional caretaking.

1.4 million has been allocated to schools based on categories such as staffing, custodial, and PPE requests.

### **School Re-Entry**

Discussion on how school re-entry has gone thus far.

### **Wellness, Mental Health and Community Supports**

- Wellness supports
- Both high schools were staffed to help accommodate extra work with online / in class learning
- Can we still have fun during a pandemic?

### **Substitute Teachers**

Current shortages – discussion on non-certificated subs

Recalling EA layoffs

Release time for teachers

## **5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

M. Davidson:

### **Print Centre**

New printers are being provided to all schools (estimated end of October).

The OHS guideline for paper handling: to be stored for 72 hours before use. Mark has reached out to AHS to see if this may be relaxed/changed.

### **Richard E. Taylor Science Centre**

There was a plaque with Dr. Taylors' name and a small photo in the previous science wing at Medicine Hat High School. During the modernization, the plaque could not be removed without damaging it, so it was disposed of.

Dr. Taylor was from Medicine Hat and went on to win a Nobel Prize for physics and became a professor at Berkeley University.

The Board requested to have the new science wing at Medicine Hat High School renamed the Richard E. Taylor Science Centre. (Photos below!)



## 6. COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Chair: School Councils from each school are to submit an Annual Report. If your school has not submitted a report, please do so as the deadline was September 30. [Template](#) is on the MHPSD website.

## 7. POLICY UPDATES AND REVISIONS

M. Davidson: **Policy 210: School and Facility Naming**

It is recommended to provide the addition of a policy *or* administrative procedure to include the naming of a team or mascot.

Policy 210.2 School Team / Mascot Naming or

AP 210 P 001 School Team / Mascot Naming

## 8. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

C. Freeman:

## 9. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

M. Davidson:

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

Future Meeting Dates: Thursday, January 14, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 25, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

ASCA Annual Conference: April 23 to 25, 2021 @ the Delta Marriot  
Edmonton South

Thursday, May 13, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.