



MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76

REGULAR MEETING

A G E N D A

Tuesday, September 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, June 16, 2015** and Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, June 16, 2015 and September 1, 2015.**

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III. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Copy of letter, dated July 8, 2015, from Brian Mason, Minister of Infrastructure, re: thanks**

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2. **Copy of email from Minister of Education, David Eggen re: meet with Board in Fall 2015**

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3. **Thank you cards re: Appreciation Dinner**

Judy Coate
Sandie Dalton

Shelley Lukasiewich
Louise Hermanson

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4. **Thank you cards from District students for being awarded the Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship**

Marcus Caparini
Sam Dolter
Erica Lei
Abigael Haney
Carly Stegen
Jenna Spruyt
Brigham Hill
Samin Dolatabadi

Vanessa MacGregor
Kiana Laduke
Taelynn Boschee
Logan Spruyt
Austyn Rowat
Blake Wright
Lawrene Wu

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IV. **RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

1. **Susan Nelson**

Congratulations to Susan Nelson, teacher at Elm Street School, who had her Tower Garden Explorations project included in the Center for Student Work run by Harvard University and Expeditionary Learning.

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2. **Elm Street School Students**

Congratulations to students at Elm Street School who had their clay art sculptures featured in the Medicine Hat Community Housing Society booklet "Journey Home". In their sculptures the students reflected on, "What does 'home' mean to you?"

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V. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Regional Collaborative Service Delivery**

The purpose of Regional Collaborative Service Delivery is to enable aligned, coordinated, integrated and enhanced access to supports and services that improve a child or youth's ability to participate and to be successful in their educational program, home and community. This is accomplished through collaborative partnerships between school authorities, Alberta Health Services, Human Services, including Child and Family Services, Family Support for Children with Disabilities, and Persons with Developmental Disabilities. An update will be provided regarding the work being done in the region.

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VI. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

1. **Conflicting Board Meeting Dates**

There are a couple regularly scheduled Board Meetings that we may want to consider changing the dates due to conflicting events.

- 1) Mr. Massini is requesting that the Regular Board Meeting scheduled for October 20, 2015 be held on October 13, 2015. Mr. Massini has a conflicting meeting on the

- originally scheduled date.
- 2) November 17, 2015 conflicts with ASBA FGM in Edmonton. The Regular Board Meeting could be held on November 24, 2015.
 - 3) June 7, 2016 meeting conflicts with ASBA SGM in Red Deer. The Closed Conference/Committee of the Whole Board Meetings could be cancelled.

It is recommended that the Board approve these changes in meeting dates.

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2. **Critical Milestones**

Enclosed is a poster of the Critical Milestones for the 2015-2016 school year.

It is recommended the Board approve this plan for the upcoming year.

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Separate Enclosure

3. **World Teachers' Day**

October 5th is celebrated annually as World Teachers' Day. Our practice the past couple of years has been to place the District's recognition in the Medicine Hat News and send a card and fruit basket to the schools in appreciation.

It is recommended that the Board approve a recognition advertisement in the Medicine Hat News and send a card and fruit basket to each school.

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4. **Policy Review**

Policy 212 identifies a process for the regular review of policies. At the June 16 Closed Conference meeting it was indicated a change in this process was desirable. The Board Chair and Superintendent were requested to review and amend Policy 212. Attached is a draft of the amended policy.

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5. **Improved Learning Presentations to the Board**

The Board has determined one of the goals to be "improving learning through enhanced instruction". A schedule of school sharing presentations and structure is enclosed. The Board had previously determined the schedule for the presentations and now the format should be established.

It is recommended that the Board approve the schedule and content as presented.

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6. PSBAA Community Representative for Fall Meeting

PSBAA has requested that the Board consider sending two community representatives to the Fall Annual General Meeting. The registration will be covered by PSBAA but the Board would be responsible for travel and subsistence.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Board Chair to send up to two representatives and approve this expense.

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VII. 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.

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2. MHHS Field Trip to Havre

In June the Board approved out-of-country field trips for Medicine Hat High School football team to travel to Havre, Montana on September 5 and 26, 2015. Conditions of approval in principle have been met. For the Board's information, the team travelled to Havre on September 5th, but the September 26th trip has been changed to September 19th.

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3. Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 6 Meeting

The ASBA Zone 6 General Meeting was held on September 9, 2015. An update will be provided at the meeting.

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4. Quad-School Student Council Meetings

Quad-School Student Council Meetings for the 2015-2016 school year have been scheduled for October 7, 2015 and March 16, 2016 from 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. at Crescent Heights High School.

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5. Enrollment Update

The District has reviewed the student numbers and will provide an update at the meeting.

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VIII. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

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- IX. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING
- X. ACTION ARISING OUT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
- XI. ADJOURNMENT