

MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR MEETING** OF THE MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD IN THE **BOARD ROOM** IN THE **SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE** ON **TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022** AT 3:00 P.M.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Catherine Wilson, Pat Grisonich, Deborah Forbes, Rick Massini, Yvonne Sissons

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mark Davidson, Superintendent of Schools
Lyle Cunningham, Deputy Superintendent
Tracy Hensel, Associate Superintendent
Jerry Labossiere, Secretary Treasurer
Jason Peters, Assistant Superintendent
Corey Sadlemyer, Assistant Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Ricky Hildebrand, Teacher, MHHS
Jen Karpiuk, Teacher, CHHS
Lee Krasilowez, Communications Coordinator

CHAIR: Catherine Wilson

RECORDING SECRETARY: Marley Steinwandt

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

66. D. Forbes

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

CARRIED

The Board moved to Committee of the Whole at 3:01 p.m.

III. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened to the open board meeting at 5:31 p.m.

IV. TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy and the people of Treaty 7 Region in Southern Alberta. We honour and acknowledge the homeland of the Métis people. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

67. Y. Sissons

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

VI. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board meetings held on **Tuesday, February 8, 2022**, and **Tuesday, March 8, 2022** and the Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, February 8, 2022**, and **Tuesday, March 8, 2022** and the Special Meeting held on **Thursday, February 17, 2022**.

68. P. Grisonich

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meetings held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, and Tuesday, March 8, 2022, the Committee of the Whole meetings held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, and Tuesday, March 8, 2022 and the Special Meeting held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

VII. PRESENTATION

1. Student Senate

Georgia Bull, Ricky Hildebrand and Jen Karpiuk presented to the Board on their process and work completed to develop a student senate.

At the request of the Board, this group has been tasked with developing a model to engage students with and provide feedback at the regular board meeting. Members will provide input and insight into bring topics that are of interest to the student population. The goal is to have teachers recommend a diverse group of students who represent a variety of interests and identities. Students may also have the opportunity to self-nominate if they would like to become involved.

Students will represent both MHHS and CHHS with the possibility of representation from Coulee Collegiate. Scheduling will be decided by the teacher advisor, but R. Hildebrand suggested that MHHS have meetings twice a month before school. Students will have the opportunity to engage with their peers and bring concerns or feedback to the regular board meetings.

The Board expressed their gratitude for the work and time dedicated to bringing this project to life.

5:52 p.m. R. Hildebrand & J. Karpiuk left the meeting.

2. Provincial Budget Update

A summary was presented of the Provincial Budget and the impact on the School Division.

Provincially \$700M has been added to the education budget. Divisionally we will see an increase of 1% to both Base Grants and Operations and Maintenance. Transportation will also see an increase of 4.6%. However, due to our declining enrollment, and Hold Harmless funding it is unlikely the Division will receive a net increase in funding.

Additional funding has been designated to support professional learning and resources for the new curriculum, as well as for student well-being. Specific information is not yet available, more information will follow.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank You Cards from MHPSD Students

Thank you cards have been received from Division students that have been awarded scholarships.

Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship

Easton Nugent
Ethan McClain
Aryndina Scott-Stretch
Corbin Netolitzky

Alexandra/St. Theresa Academy Homecoming

Easton Nugent

The Hub Fish Scholarship

Easton Nugent

IX. RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Edwin Parr Nominee

Medicine Hat Public School Division is fortunate to have an outstanding group of first year teachers. In recognition of our outstanding teachers we recognize our Edwin Parr nominee. This nomination is for a first-year teacher who is demonstrating outstanding instructional practice and modeling outstanding professionalism. Our Division has selected **Dalyce Mumma** who teaches at Crestwood School as our 2022 nominee for the Edwin Parr Award. Congratulations Dalyce!

X. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Capital Plan

The Three-Year Capital Plan for 2023-2026 was presented to the Board for approval.

Presented during the March 8, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting, Mr. Labossiere is looking for board approval. The priority projects are:

- 2023-2024 - Hamptons Elementary (New School)
- 2024-2025 - Connaught Modernization & Addition
- 2025-2026 - AMS Modernization & Addition

69. R. Massini

THAT the Three-Year Capital Plan for 2023-2026 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

The motion is carried with Trustee Grisonich, Massini, Sissons and Wilson voting in favour and Trustee Forbes voting against.

XI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Coordinating Committee

The Coordinating Committee held their meeting on Monday, February 7, 2022. The meeting minutes were enclosed for information.

2. Division Council of School Councils

The Division Council of School Councils held their meeting on Thursday, March 10, 2022. The meeting minutes were enclosed for information.

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

No action arising.

V. ADJOURNMENT

70. Y. Sissons

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

CHAIR

SECRETARY TREASURER