

MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 24, 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**, **October 13**, **2015** and **Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday**, **October 13**, **2015** and **November 3**, **2015**.

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III. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank you cards from District students re: Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship

Brooklyn Kaczynski Alexis Robinson Kaelyn Steeves Shauna Jensen Tenille Rothwell

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2. Thank you card from Andrew Shannon re: Woollven Scholarship

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3. Thank you card to Terry Riley from PSBAA

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IV. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Sports Involvement

Congratulations are extended to the many students and staff who were involved in the sports programs this fall. These activities help students set goals, gain an understanding of teamwork and gain confidence. Thanks to all those involved!

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2. WE Day

A special thank you is extended to our staff for their commitment and support of WE Day on October 27th. The students had an incredible experience due to this commitment.

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3. ATA Inductees

Congratulations to all teachers inducted to the Alberta Teachers' Association Local No. 1 on November 5, 2015. We are very pleased to have these teachers in our District.

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4. Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Many of the schools held Remembrance Day ceremonies. We would like to extend our appreciation to the staff for helping the students recognize the importance of this day.

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V. PRESENTATIONS

1. Azeez Badrudeen

Azeez Badrudeen, Grade 9 student at Crescent Heights High School, will make a presentation to the Board on the highlights of his trip to Alabama to attend a Space Camp for blind and visually impaired students.

LC

2. Class Size Survey

The class size data for 2015-2016 has been compiled and submitted to Alberta Education. An overview of the results will be provided to the Board.

BG/RP

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3. <u>Early Learning Update</u>

This year MHSD 76 will bring together Early Learning, Kindergarten, Grade one teachers and Elementary Principals to gain a common understanding of the continuum within the Kindergarten/Grade One curriculum with a focus specifically on Language Arts and Mathematics.

JH

ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Annual Education Results Report and Education Plan

The District has the last few years been provided the flexibility to submit their Annual Education Results Report together with their Three-Year Education Plan (AERR and EP).

Attached is a document that is complete with the exception of the Audited Financial Statement information. Subject to the Board approving the Audited Financial Statements, also at this meeting, the AERR & EP will be amended accordingly.

It is recommended that the Board approved the AERR & EP subject to inclusion of the audited financial statements and related financial information.

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Separate Enclosure

2. Committee Appointments

Mr. Terry Riley, Board Chair, will present recommended appointments to the Board Standing Committees.

It is recommended that the Board approve Committee appointments as per the Chair's recommendation.

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3. <u>Audited Financial Statement</u>

An external audit is required on an annual basis. The Board's appointed auditors, JMH & Co., have completed their audit of the financial results for the year ending August 31, 2015.

The enclosed Audited Financial Statements are hereby presented to the Board for their review and adoption as the official financial results for the year ending August 31, 2015.

It is recommended that the Board officially approve the enclosed Audited Financial Statements for the year ending August 31, 2015.

JL/LD

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4. Budget 2015-2016 - Fall Update

As required by Alberta Education, a fall update to the Budget is presented to the Board. This update is intended to reflect any changes from the Spring Budget including changes to student enrollments, grants and other pertinent information.

It should be noted that the Budget reflects a balanced budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

JL

Separate Enclosure to Follow

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. Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 6 Meeting

The ASBA Zone 6 General Meeting was held on November 4, 2015. An update will be provided at the meeting.

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3. Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Conference

The ASBA Conference and FGM was held on November 15-17, 2015. An overview will be shared at the meeting.

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4. National School Boards Association (NSBA) Conference

The annual NSBA conference will be held on April 9-11, 2016 in Boston. The Conference Schedule is available on the website - http://www.nsba.org/conference. Registration is now open and accommodations can be arranged only after registration is completed.

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5. Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Congress

The annual CSBA Congress will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba on July 7-9, 2016. The CSBA Congress is a chance to meet and share with other trustees from across the country. As further information becomes available, conference details will be posted on the CSBA website www.cdnsba.org.

6. Public School Boards Council

The PSBC was held on November 13 & 14, 2015. An overview will be shared at the meeting.

CWF

7. <u>Drama/Musical Presentations</u>

a) Crescent Heights High School

Crescent Heights High School has planned one musical/drama production this school year.

 The Addams Family February 2-12, 2016

b) Medicine Hat High School

Medicine Hat High School has planned two musical/drama productions this school year.

- The Wedding Singer: The Musical Comedy February 4-7 and 9-12, 2016
- 2016 Pilot Lights Theatre Festival April 19-21, 2016

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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. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>