

Board Agenda

November 28, 2023



**Medicine Hat Public Board of Education
Operating as Medicine Hat Public School Division**



MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPERATING AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

I N D E X

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023

CENTRAL OFFICE – BOARD ROOM

SCHOOL DIVISION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

601 – First Avenue S.W.
Medicine Hat, Alberta
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- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- II. **MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
- III. **RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING**
- IV. **TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- V. **INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES**
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- VII. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
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 - 3. English as Additional Language (EAL)
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 - 4. Alberta Teachers' Association Inductees
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 - 6. Miss Canada, Emma Morrison
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MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION
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REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023 - 5:30 P.M.

CENTRAL OFFICE – BOARD ROOM

A G E N D A

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. 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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III. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

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.

CW

V. INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees welcomes Medicine Hat High School Teacher, Ricky Hildebrand, in attendance with Medicine Hat High School student delegates: Aryanna Rowinski, Dylan Tetteh-Ampofo and Madison Zilkie.

CW

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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VII. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Organizational meeting held on **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**, and the Regular Board meetings held on **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**, and **Tuesday, November 14, 2023**, and the Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**, and **Tuesday, November 14, 2023**.

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VIII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Congratulations to Remi Lemire

Medicine Hat Public School Division is incredibly proud of Crescent Heights High School student, Remi Lemire, who scored 100% on the Physics 30 Diploma Exam, in grade 11. Remi and his family are in attendance to receive this recognition.

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2. International Off-Site Activity: Honolulu, Hawaii

Medicine Hat High School Students on the Senior Girls Volleyball Team travelled to Hawaii, USA from Saturday, October 7, 2023, to Sunday, October 15, 2023.

Teachers and students that went on the trip, will present to the Board on their experiences and educational highlights.

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3. English as Additional Language (EAL)

The English as Additional Language (EAL) team works collaboratively with schools and families to support academic programming and serve as a resource to assist families new to Canada with system navigation. Emma, Tylene, and Ayman will provide a guided tour of our system EAL profile, the registration and intake process, the described stakeholder challenges, and the strategies to support students and families in these areas. Future team priorities include the ongoing capacity development of staff and finding new ways of connecting with our families to gather feedback, share information, and build relationships.

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IX. RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Alberta Teachers' Association Inductees

Medicine Hat Public School Division would like to extend congratulations to all our teachers that have been inducted to the Alberta Teachers' Association Local No.1.

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2. Remembrance Day Ceremonies

We extend our appreciation to Division staff for helping students understand our history and the importance of Remembrance Day, and for honouring and recognizing those who made great sacrifices to give us the freedoms that we have today.

MD

3. Miss Canada, Emma Morrison

Miss World Canada 2022, Emma Morrison visited most MHPSD schools as part of the First Nations Métis and Inuit Speaker series. Emma is a Mushkegowuk Cree woman from the Chapeau First Nation Reserve in Ontario. Emma is the first ever indigenous woman to wear the Miss World Canada crown. Emma is a fancy dancer, ribbon skirt maker, hunter, goose caller, beader and fisherperson, she encourages youth to find their pathway by taking risks and stepping outside of their comfort zone.

As Emma prepares to represent Canada on the Miss World stage in 2024, she is working with communities to inspire youth to find their passion and chase dreams. The theme of Emma's presentation is to encourage students to expand their boundaries and say yes to positive opportunities. Emma strongly believes that through passion, drive and determination, there is no limit to what people can achieve. Emma also touches on her struggles with anxiety and the pressure of coming from a small town, advocating that regardless of where a person comes from and what their limitations may be, their dreams are always within reach.

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X. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Audited Financial Statements 2022-2023

An external audit is required on an annual basis. The Board's external auditors, Avail LLP, have completed their audit of 2022-2023.

The attached 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, 2023.

It is recommended that the Board officially approve the enclosed Audited Financial Statements for the year ending August 31, 2023.

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[Enclosure No. 1](#)

[Enclosure No. 2](#)

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2. Annual Education Results Report (AERR)

The Division's Annual Education Results Report is enclosed. It is recommended that the Board approved the Annual Education Results Report as presented, including any recommendations for updates.

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[Enclosure No. 3](#)

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3. Board Committee Appointments

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed assignment to Board Committees for 2023-2024.

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[Enclosure No. 4](#)

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XI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Division Council of School Councils

The Division Council of School Council held a meeting on Thursday, October 12, 2023. The minutes from the meeting are enclosed for information.

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[Enclosure No. 5](#)

2. Alberta School Boards' Association Fall General Meeting

The ASBA Fall General Meeting was held on November 19 to 21, 2023. The Business Session was held on Monday, November 20, 2023, followed by a morning of professional development on Tuesday, November 21, 2023. An update will be provided.

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XII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. High School Drama Performances

Medicine Hat High School is performing A Christmas Story – The Musical

Dates: December 1-2, 8-9, 15-16

*All performances begin at 7:00 p.m.

Crescent Heights High School is performing - Mean Girls

Dates: January 31, February 1, 2, 3 and February 6 to 10.

*All performances begin at 7:00 p.m.

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