

Board Agenda

February 27, 2018



Medicine Hat School District No. 76

601 - 1 Avenue SW, Medicine Hat, Alberta



MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

I N D E X

Tuesday, February 27, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

BOARD ROOM

SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

601 – First Avenue S.W.
Medicine Hat, Alberta
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MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76
REGULAR MEETING

CENTRAL OFFICE BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

A G E N D A

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on **Tuesday, January 23, 2018** and Committee of the Whole meeting held on **Tuesday, January 23, 2018**.

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III. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Musical Performances

Medicine Hat High School

Congratulations to director, Mr. Richard Grafton and some seriously talented MHHS students that performed in the production of Willy Wonka: The Musical.

Crescent Heights High School

Congratulations to the CHHS students and director, Ms. Jennifer Davies, for entertaining the community in the production of Bullets Over Broadway the Musical.

The amount of time, energy and commitment invested in these productions definitely shows. Great job to both Medicine Hat High and Crescent Heights High for showing off your talent!

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2. Edwin Parr Nominees

Medicine Hat School District is fortunate to have an outstanding group of first year teachers. In recognition of our outstanding teachers we recognize our Edwin Parr nominees. This nomination is for first year teachers who are demonstrating outstanding instructional practice and modeling outstanding professionalism. This year's five nominees are:

Mercedes Greeley

Dr. Ken Sauer School

Jared Schlenker

Medicine Hat Christian School

Michael Tschritter

George Davison School

Kylie Thorne

George Davison School

Hailey Gale

Dr. Ken Sauer School

RM/LC

3. **Medicine Hat and District Food Bank – Brown Bag Lunch Program**

During the Christmas Season the Social Committee established teams of Central Office staff to do some fundraising for the Brown Bag Lunch Program and our Local Food Bank. A donation totaling \$1,036.64 was made and delivered by the following staff that also volunteered to make lunches!

Mark Davidson	Angie Lesko
Lyle Cunningham	Tracy Burzminski
Tracy Hensel	Robert Olson
Joanne Pitman	Claire Petersen
Corey Sadlemyer	Nick Paquin
Stacey Hopper	Sherri-Dawn Lemoine

A special thank you to Susan Guerra who attended to capture some photos opportunities.

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IV. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. **THRIVE Presentation**

Thrive: Medicine Hat and Region Strategy to end Poverty and Increase Wellbeing. Karen Danielson will provide a presentation to the Board.

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Separate Enclosure

V. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

1. **Medicine Hat High School Final Approval Request: Field Trip to Myrtle Beach**

At the September 26, 2017 Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees a request was presented by Lyall Foran at Medicine Hat High School for an out-of-country field trip. The trip was approved, in principle, subject to various conditions. All conditions set out by the Board have now been met.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees give final approval for the Medicine Hat High School field trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, USA for the period April 2, 2018 to April 7, 2018.

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2. **Crescent Heights High School Final Approval Request: Field Trip to New York City**

At the September 26, 2017 Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees a request was presented by Jennifer Davies at Crescent Heights High School for an out-of-country field trip. The trip was approved, in principle, subject to various conditions. All conditions set out by the Board have now been met.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees give final approval for the Crescent Heights High School field trip to New York City, USA for the period April 3, 2018 to April 10, 2018.

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VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. District Council of School Council Meeting

Minutes of the February 1, 2018 District Council meeting are attached.

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VII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Alberta School Board – Zone 6 Meeting

The ASBA Zone 6 Meeting was held on February 20, 2018. An overview of this meeting will be provided at the meeting.

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2. Trustee Reports

As part of the Board's goal of "Putting the Public Back into Public Education" Trustee reports on their activities since the previous meeting are enclosed for information.

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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

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MEDICINE HAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76 HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Rick Massini, Ms. Catherine Wilson Fraser, Ms. Deborah Forbes, Mrs. Carolyn Freeman, Ms. Celina Symmonds

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mr. Mark Davidson, Superintendent
Mr. Lyle Cunningham, Deputy Superintendent
Mrs. Tracy Hensel, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Jerry Labossiere, Secretary Treasurer
Mrs. Joanne Pitman, Assistant Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Michelle Schneider, Teacher, Crescent Heights High School
Mrs. Claire Petersen, District Psychologist

CHAIR: Mr. Rick Massini

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. Angie Lesko

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Addition under:

V. ITEMS FOR ACTION

3. Musical Theatre 15, 25 and 35

VII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

3. Monsignor McCoy High School Modernization Grand Opening
4. Schuler School Grand Opening
5. State of the City Address
6. PSBC Meeting

40. Ms. Symmonds

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, and the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017.

41. Ms. Forbes

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, and the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

III. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank You Cards from District Students for Awards and Scholarships

Jake Lukasiewicz	Townsend Food Studies Award
Kelsi Kannekens	Peter Van Eerde Memorial Scholarship
Paige Callaghan	Canadian Parents for French Award
Rachel Hanson	Murray John Muirhead Award

IV. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Cardinal Energy at Southview School

Southview School was selected to receive Christmas gifts and lunch in December from Cardinal Energy. After all the generous gifts and lunch, Cardinal Energy also donated almost \$3,000 to the Southview School Sensory Room.

V. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Crescent Heights High School Field Trip to New York City

At the June 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees a request was presented by Michelle Schneider at Crescent Heights High School for an out-of-country field trip to New York City. The trip was approved, in principle, subject to various conditions. All conditions set out by the Board have now been met.

42. Ms. Forbes

THAT the Board of Trustees give final approval for Crescent Heights High School students to travel to New York City for the period Sunday, March 3, 2018 to Thursday, March 8, 2018.

CARRIED

6:20 p.m. Mrs. Schneider left the meeting

2. Locally Developed Courses – Dance 15, Dance 25, Dance 35

The Administration recommends Board approval of the following Medicine Hat High School Locally Developed Courses Dance 15, Dance 25, and Dance 35 for the 2017/2018, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 school years.

43. Ms. Wilson Fraser

THAT the Board approve Locally Developed Courses Dance 15, Dance 25 and Dance 35, for the 2017/2018, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 school years.

CARRIED

3. Locally Developed Courses - Musical Theatre 15, 25 and 35

The Board was asked to approve the name change of the MHHS Theatre Production Course 15, 25 and 35 to Musical Theatre 15, 25 and 35.

44. Mrs. Freeman

THAT the Board approve the name change of the MHHS Theatre Production Course 15, 25 and 35 to Musical Theatre 15, 25 and 35.

CARRIED

VI. PRESENTATIONS

1. Class Size Survey

The class size data for 2017-2018 has been compiled and submitted to Alberta Education. An overview of the results was provided.

2. B.E.S.T. Team Presentation

In order to better meet the needs of both our students and staff, the district has revised the existing framework for emotional and behavioural support services in the elementary years. Through a coordinated team approach, the goal is to build capacity within all members of a student's support team, including school staff and caregivers. This may involve observations, modeling, co-teaching, and consultation. The team is then able to coauthor a plan to address the social, emotional, and behavioural needs of the child to improve their functioning both inside and outside of the school community.

An overview of the work being done in this area was provided.

6:50 – Mrs. Petersen left the meeting

VII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Teachers' Convention

Tim Johnson, Chair of the Southeast Alberta Teachers' Convention, has sent an invitation for the upcoming Teachers' Convention on Thursday, February 22 and Friday, February 23, 2018.

2. Trustee Reports

As part of the Board's goal of "Putting the Public Back into Public Education" Trustees reported on their activities since the previous meeting.

Ms. Wilson Fraser attended Christmas events at a number of schools and also volunteered at the Education Foundation Casino.

Mrs. Freeman attended the Dr. Ken Sauer School Council meeting, as well as numerous Christmas events throughout the District.

Ms. Forbes attended Christmas activities at a number of schools.

Ms. Symmonds attended a number of Christmas events throughout the District, presented Staff Appreciation Awards, and volunteered at the Education Foundation Casino. She also attended the Hatterland Theatre "Jungle Book" production.

Mr. Massini attended a number of Christmas events at various schools, as well as the Crescent Heights High School Council meeting and a number of tournaments at Medicine Hat High School. He also volunteered at the Education Foundation Casino and coordinated all volunteers for the Casino.

3. Monsignor McCoy High School

The Board received an invitation from Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education to the Monsignor McCoy High School Modernization Grand Opening taking place on Thursday, March 1, 2018.

4. Schuler School Grand Opening

The Board received an invitation from Prairie Rose School Division re: Schuler School Grand Opening taking place on Wednesday, January 31, 2018.

5. State of the City Address

The Board received an invitation to the State of the City Address taking place on Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

6. PSBC Meeting

It was noted that the PSBC meeting will take place in Edmonton on February 8-10, 2018.

VIII. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

45. Mrs. Freeman

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

CARRIED

The Board moved to Committee of the Whole at 7:00 p.m.

IX. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened to the open board meeting at 7:41 p.m.

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

46. Mrs. Symmonds

THAT the Board approve Legal Matter #2018-01, as discussed.

CARRIED

XI. RETURN TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

47. Ms. Forbes

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

CARRIED

The Board returned to Committee of the Whole at 7:43 p.m.

XII. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened to the open board meeting at 8:40 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

48. Ms. Symmonds

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

CHAIR

SECRETARY TREASURER

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Enclosure No. 1

Medicine Hat School District No. 76

601-1st Avenue SW.

Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 4Y7

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FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM

EXIDBIT 770 E 001

Date Application Made: September 14th, 2017

Name of Group/team: Medicine Hat High School Baseball

School Applying: Medicine Hat High School

Place to be Visited: Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, USA

Depart on: April 2nd, 2018 at 8:00am
(date) (time)

Return on: April 7th, 2018 at 10:00am
(date) (time)

Transportation Arrangements: We will be utilizing the school bus to drive to and from the Calgary Airport. We will then fly from Calgary to Myrtle Beach and use 3, 7 passenger vans as means of transportation in the Myrtle Beach area.

Name(s) of Supervising Teachers: Lyla Folan

Name(s) of Supervising Teachers with Current First Aid Training: NIA

Board Financial Considerations

Date(s) Substitute Required: NA

Total Number of Sub Days NA X /day=\$ 0

Other Board costs: (x) D Yes D No

If yes, provide details:

Educational Guidelines Completed:
(x) Yes

Copy Attached:
(x) Yes

Safety Preparation
Completed: (x) Yes - Baseball
Class (Injury Management 1 module)


(signature or teacher in charge)

Educational Guidelines Examined and Approved by:


School Principal
(All field trips require Principal's approval)


Superintendent of Schools
(Trips outside city/province require Superintendent's approval)
(Trips outside country also require Board's approval)



Medicine Hat School District No. 76

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FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM

EXHIBIT 770 E 001

Date Application Made: August 31, 2017Name of Group/Team: CHHS DramaSchool Applying: CHHSPlace to be Visited: New York CityDepart on: April 3 at 6:00am
(date) (time)Return on: April 10 at 11:00pm
(date) (time)Transportation Arrangements: Bus, Air PlaneName(s) of Supervising Teachers: Jennifer DaviesName(s) of Supervising Teachers with Current First Aid Training: * Teachers can get their first aid.**Board Financial Considerations**

Date(s) Substitute Required: _____

Total Number of Sub Days _____ X _____ /day = \$ _____

Other Board costs: (x) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, provide details: _____

Educational Guidelines Completed: (x) ☒ Yes ☐ No Copy Attached: (x) ☒ Yes ☐ NoSafety Preparation Completed: (x) ☒ Yes ☐ No

(signature of teacher in charge)

Educational Guidelines Examined and Approved by:

School Principal

(All field trips require Principal's approval)

Superintendent of Schools

(Trips outside city/province require Superintendent's approval)
(Trips outside country also require Board's approval)Date approved: Sept. 7, 2017

Date approved: _____

NOTE:

Forward ONE copy of approved field trip form and guidelines, if within city limits, to Superintendent.

Forward TWO copies of field trip application and guidelines, if outside city limits, to Superintendent.

One copy will be returned to the school upon approval from the Superintendent.

EDUCATIONAL GUIDELINES

(To be completed and submitted to the Principal at least two weeks prior to activity)

Description of Objectives of Activity:

To effect labor shows in Jr. High
Activity fits into the ----- On "V" ----- curriculum.

Planned Lead-Up Activities:

Students on this trip will work together in the Drama production of "Bullets Over Broadway" to prepare.

Planned Follow-Up Activities:

We will use our skills refined and acquired at the Workshops.

Supervisors/Instructors: Number: 4-6

Names:

Qualifications:

Responsibilities:

Deanne Davis

teacher AA yes

Supervise

Duffy Aoki

teacher - CV/5

Supervise

CHHS Drama Parent

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(If more attach list)

Student Behavioural Expectations: It is expected that students will:

Number of Students Participating: 30 Grades: 8-12

Teacher Co-ordinator is: Deanne Davis Oa vi LJ

Number of Students per Supervisor: 7 or 8

Parent permission forms will be distributed on: September 18, 2017
(date)

To be returned on: September 25, 2017
(date)

Parents notified of risks involved: (x) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Crescent Heights High School

Theatre Arts Field Trip to New York City 2018

CHHS has found great success with trips where students participate in workshops and perform. The proposed trip would occur April 3, 2018 to return on April 10, 2018 to New York City. Dates may change based on flight availability. Students will receive training to work on their performance skills as well as attend multiple Broadway productions and tours related to theatre.

We will be staging the musical *"Bullets Over Broadway"* in February with these students. All of the CHHS shows have drawn record breaking crowds - almost 8,000 community citizens came to CHHS to watch our shows last year! There will be many fundraising activities related to the musical which will assist in raising money to help pay for the field trip.

The main focus for taking students to NYC is to attend the Broadway Student Summit (BSS). We have previously attended this summit and found everything to be outstanding. Students from CHHS have been accepted into top University performance programs and won numerous Provincial championships including also having a National finalist for Musical Theatre Singing last year. The (BSS) is designed to connect theatre students with the Broadway community through a series of workshops, master classes, and an unforgettable experience at a hit Broadway musical.

This year's BSS program includes an orchestra ticket to HAMILTON, 6 workshops in acting, voice, dance and a variety of arts disciplines with cast and creative team members from HAMILTON on Broadway. Every student will work directly with Broadway's best and brightest performers, choreographers, music directors and teaching artists.

There are opportunities to fundraise to reduce the final cost, but a student will only benefit from the work that his or her family contributes for fundraising. A parent group volunteers to chair the coordination of fundraising events. We are using the tour group STS Tours which is a Canadian based company out of Vancouver. The projected cost for the trip is between \$3,000 - \$3,300. This amount can increase or decrease based on choices made for activities and meals made by the parent group.

Several conditions must be met for participation in the trip. Families must ensure their child is able to legally enter the USA to leave Canada, as well as any requirements set by SD76 or CHHS.

- Students must be in good standing in the *"Bullets Over Broadway"* musical as a performer.
- Missed classes and rehearsals can and **will** result in removal from the trip.
- Passport, required travel documents, and SD 76 conditions must be met.

There are 2 Teachers from SD76 who will be chaperoning this trip: Jennifer Davies and a second male teacher. We also have many parents who would also be interested in supervising / chaperoning. Families will pay for travel fees, any passport fees, insurance and any medical preparations such as vaccinations required for travel.

It is sincerely felt that through fundraising efforts, we can bring the cost down as we have successfully been able to accomplish this in previous years. The parent group appears to be strong and willing to work on several projects to finance the trip. There is also a proven history from these same families working to support the drama program and our productions.

Jennifer Davies
CHHS Drama Director

Classes offered Broadway Student Summit

ACTING TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP : The art of creating believable, honest action on stage is one of the most exciting and challenging aspects of an actor's craft. This acting class will help the actor create the truth of an emotion, an environment, and a story with a fully engaged body, voice and imagination.

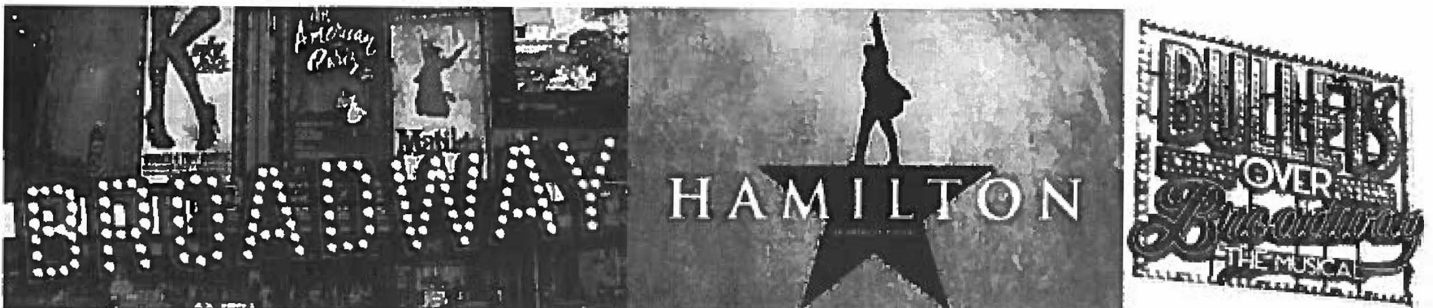
MUSICAL THEATRE AUDITION CLASS: Taught by a team of Broadway professionals who will break down the song interpretation process, volunteer students will have the opportunity to perform a song for your peers and receive constructive feedback. Also a guest Broadway performer will share their audition material with the group.

BROADWAY VOCAL CLASS: Working with a Broadway music director, learn a song from a Broadway show and work on warming-up, vocal production, vocal collaboration, acting through song, and musical theatre performance skills.

BROADWAY DANCE CLASS: Step Into the chorus line as a Broadway dance captain teaches you a combination from a Broadway show.

PATH TO BROADWAY: An intimate conversation with Broadway's best and brightest young stars, who talk about their journey from high school to Broadway. They will then perform the material they use to audition for their Broadway shows!

COMEDY IMPROV: Have a ton of fun while learning! Taught by Broadway's best comic performer/writers, this class helps students cultivate their creative brains through improvisation, invention, and story creation.



Director Approved: _____

Principal Approved: _____

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EDUCATIONAL GUIDELINES

(To be completed and submitted to the Principal at least two weeks prior to activity)

Description of Objectives of Activity: The MIU JS Baseball Team will be traveling to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina to take part in the Mingo Bay Classic Baseball Tournament. The purpose of this trip is to expose students to the opportunities of "High Caliber" baseball as well as post secondary opportunities through exposure to collegiate and professional scouts.

Activity fits into the Baseball Class curriculum.

Planned Lead-Up Activities: All players are taking part in the Baseball Class which provides practice and planning to lead up to potential scholarship opportunities. The Baseball Class also provides students with exposure to Injury Management I, which covers all aspects of safety and first aid preparation that is necessary when competing in baseball.

Planned Follow-Up Activities: After participating on this trip, students will continue with Baseball Class and take part in the Southern Alberta High School Baseball League. This trip should prepare them for the season in which they will embark upon. We will also be using the connections made while on the trip to try to propel students to post secondary opportunities.

Supervisors/Instructors: Number: 3

Names:	Qualifications:	Responsibilities:
Lyall Foran	Teacher	Coach/ Supervisor
Tom Coffey	Medicine Hat Fire Chief	(First aid and Safety Head)
Brice Koenig	Volunteer Assistant	Coach/ Supervisor
_____ (if more attach list)		

Student Behavioural Expectations: It is expected that students will: Act with pride and honor while representing MHHS. Students will immerse themselves in the post secondary multicultural culture to hopefully build a dream or vision for their future.

Number of Students Participating: 12 Grades: 10-12

Teacher Co-ordinator is: Lyall Fournier

Number of Students *per* Supervisor: 4

Parent permission forms will be distributed on: September 14th, 2017
(date)

To be returned on: September 21st, 2017
(date)

Parents notified of risks involved: (x) Yes



MINUTES

District Council of School Councils

DATE: Thursday, February 1, 2018

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Grant Henderson Learning Centre @ Central Office: 601 – 1 Avenue S.W.
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Members: Mark Davidson; Deborah Forbes; Wes King-hunter; Nathan Gale; Rebeca Rothfus; Chelsey Cowan; Ken Jakubowsky; Heidi Mack; Nicole Liboiron; Amanda Kenny; Carla Jans; Karen Johnson; Tanya Buckshaw; Tracey Malcolm; Nicole McNaughton; Bob Burgess; Janice Romanuk; Katie Albers; Vanessa Bonneville; Alana Durbeniuk; Elizabeth Gebhardt; Teri Hamilton; Ashley Williams; Ammy Blenner-Hassett; Jane Poissant

1. Chair, Bob Burgess called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m.
2. Introductions
3. New Business: Mark Davidson reviewed the recently revised policies:

a) Policy 565 – Harassment

MHPSD's Human Resources Director was invited to examine the policy and administrative procedure, it was compared with other School Districts' and sent to our legal department for review. It is important to ensure that everyone has a direction to report any harassment.

This policy will be passed on to all employee groups via online video tutorials and student handbooks will include the policies.

Policy unanimously approved in principle by all attendees.

b) Policy 570 – Cyber Space and Technology Use Protocol

This policy was originally created in 2009 and recently updated as there was a need to increase MHPSD's social media presence and improve our websites. The policy outlines what should and should not be posted or shared keeping FOIP in mind. The School Council Chair is responsible for School Council media and, as such, liable for all content.

Policy unanimously approved in principle by all attendees.

c) Policy 650 – Student Fees

This policy was revised as a result of Bill 1 An Act to Reduce School Fees. Its basis is to remove financial barriers to education.

d) Policy 730 – First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education

The goal is that education is provided for everyone and that Alberta students have an understanding of and support First Nations. Includes the Basic and Extended Acknowledgement recommendations.

Policy unanimously approved in principle by all attendees.

4. Trustee Comments: Ms. Deborah Forbes

Ms. Forbes reported that the Trustees have discussed how they can best use their time within their school communities. Some of their ideas include: attending school council meetings (including unassigned schools), getting on the contact lists of school councils to receive meeting invites and minutes, dropping in to schools and attending various school events.

5. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Mark Davidson

a) Classroom Improvement Fund (CIF)

A Behaviour Support Team (BEST Team) has been implemented; this group attends schools to help with students who have self-regulation issues and to connect with the families of these students.

b) Embedded Collaboration

The MHPSD hired 7-8 full time teachers to help with strategies for students not on ISPs (Individual Support Plans). This includes a star literacy assessment and a math screen.

Both groups will be implemented more in the next few months.

Learning coaches are helping teachers in areas they want to increase their knowledge.

6. Future Meeting Date is Thursday, May 10, 2018.

7. Motion to Adjourn accepted.