

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, MAY 24, 2022** AT 3:31 P.M.

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Sara Scahill, Health and Wellness Manager
Desirea Agar, Health Promotions Coordinator, AHS
Carla Carrier, Principal, Dr. Ken Sauer School
Jennifer Nicoll, Vice Principal, Dr. Ken Sauer School
Rachel Dale, Classroom Support Teacher, Dr. Ken Sauer School
Andrew McFetridge, Principal, Vincent Massey School
Natosha Mastel, Principal, Ross Glen School
Ashton Weisgerber, Vice Principal, Ross Glen School
Jaymi Roth, Teacher, Ross Glen School

CHAIR: Catherine Wilson

RECORDING SECRETARY: Marley Steinwandt

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:31 p.m.

II. MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

84. P. Grisonich

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

CARRIED

The Board moved to Committee of the Whole at 3:31 p.m.

III. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened to the open board meeting at 5:34 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

85. D. Forbes

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, April 26, 2022**, and **Tuesday, May 10, 2022** and the Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, April 26, 2022**, and **Tuesday, May 10, 2022**.

A correction to the Committee of the Whole minutes on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 was noted.

86. R. Massini

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meetings held on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, and Tuesday, May 10, 2022, the Committee of the Whole meetings held on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, and Tuesday, May 10, 2022, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Comprehensive School Health

Comprehensive School Health (CSH) is a whole school approach that builds and supports healthy school communities. This framework focuses on four key areas: social and physical environments, teaching and learning, policy, and partnerships and services. It goes beyond “one-time” wellness activities and is intended to foster a culture of wellness through initiatives that are meaningful, effective, and likely to last. As part of our ongoing commitment to wellness in the division, we have created Comprehensive School Health Teams (CSHT) at each site. These teams are made up of health champions (student focus), wellness champions (staff focus), family school liaison workers, success coaches, administrators, and other members the school chooses to invite such as counsellors or additional team members. Each

team meets approximately every six weeks to do a “pulse-check” and plan wellness initiatives specific to their site. The work is supported through Student Services (Tracy Hensel), Human Resources (Sarah Scahill), and Alberta Health Services (Desirea Agar).

Desirea works with the division to promote system level change to create a culture of wellness. Comprehensive School Health Teams use an evidence-based framework to consider a broader picture of health and how it fits into all areas of education.

Members of the Comprehensive School Health Teams from Dr. Ken Sauer, Vincent Massey, and Ross Glen School shared their accomplishments with the Board. These included initiatives to build enriched school communities, encourage both staff & student wellbeing and belonging. It is important for each school to have the autonomy to create a unique plan for their needs.

6:24pm Comprehensive School Health Team left.

VIII. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Budget 2022-23 Spring Release

As per the Education Act the Board is presented in May with a budget proposal for the upcoming school year. The Spring Release is built on best estimates available at the time. An update will be provided in the fall on actual student numbers.

The budget is in a balanced position for 2022-23 fiscal year. The plan was presented to the Board for consideration and approval.

87. R. Massini

THAT the Board approve the Budget 2022-2023 Spring Release as presented.

CARRIED

2. Education Plan

The 2022-2026 Education Plan (EP) was shared for review. This is our school division’s new 4 Year Education Plan. Development process of the plan and how it fits into the overall assurance process will be shared. Highlights of the plan were provided.

Development of the Education Plan is a collaborative effort between the community, schools, division executives and the Board of Trustees. The Universal Goals identified are Optimal Learning, Thinking & Acting Inclusively, Wellness and Truth & Reconciliation. The Assurance portion of the plan provides stakeholders confidence that we are listening to their feedback and creating the best environment for student success. The 2022-2026 Education Plan was presented to the board for approval.

88. Y. Sissons

THAT the Board approve the 2022-2026 Education Plan as presented.

CARRIED

3. Locally Developed Course Authorization – Junior High / Middle School

The Board was asked to authorize the following acquired locally developed junior high school courses:

School Authority	Course Name	Start Date	End Date
The Medicine Hat School Division	History of Rock	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
The Medicine Hat School Division	Principles of Game Design	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
The Medicine Hat School Division	Strategic Board Games	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
The Medicine Hat School Division	Alberta Learners	9/1/2022	8/31/2026

89. D. Forbes

THAT the Board approve the authorization of these Junior High / Middle school courses.

CARRIED

4. Locally Developed Course Authorization – High School

The Board was asked to authorize the following acquired locally developed high school courses:

School Authority	Course Name	Start Date	End Date
The Medicine Hat School Division	Nutrition and Biochemistry 25-3	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
The Foothills School Division	Holocaust Studies 15-3	3/23/2022	8/31/2024
The Foothills School Division	Holocaust Studies 25-5	3/23/2022	8/31/2024
The Foothills School Division	Holocaust Studies 35-5	3/23/2022	8/31/2024
The Edmonton School Division	Audio (2019) 25-5	3/23/2022	8/31/2023
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It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the authorization of these high school courses.

90. R. Massini

THAT the Board authorize the acquired locally developed high school courses, as presented.

CARRIED

5. Reauthorization of Locally Developed Courses – High School

The Board was asked to reauthorize the following locally developed high school courses:

School Authority	Course Name	Start Date	End Date
The Red Deer School Division	Competencies in Math (2022) 15-5	3/23/2022	8/31/2026
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The Pembina Hills School Division	Psychology–Abnormal (2022) 35-3	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
Calgary Catholic School Division	Learning Strategies (2022) 15-3	9/1/2022	8/31/2026
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It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the reauthorization of these high school courses.

91. P. Grisonich

THAT the Board reauthorize the locally developed courses, as presented.

CARRIED

IX. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Division Council of School Council

The DCSC held their meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2022. The meeting minutes were enclosed for information.

2.

Coordinating Committee

The Coordinating Committee held their meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022. The meeting minutes were enclosed for information.

X. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Administrative Procedures: Employee Absence Reporting

The administrative procedures that support the new Policy 548: Employee Absence Reporting were enclosed for information.

XI. RETURN TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

92. P. Grisonich

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

CARRIED

The Board returned to Committee of the Whole at 6:58 p.m.

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

No action arising.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

93. P. Grisonich

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

CHAIR

SECRETARY TREASURER