

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

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Tuesday, April 27, 2021

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SCHOOL DIVISION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

601 – First Avenue S.W. Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 4Y7

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REGULAR MEETING ZOOM

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021

AGENDA

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.

CW

III. RECONVENE TO OPEN BOARD MEETING - 5:30 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.

CW

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

VI. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on **Tuesday**, **March 23**, **2021** and **Tuesday**, **April 13**, **2021** the Committee of the Whole meeting held on **Tuesday**, **March 23**, **2021** and **Tuesday**, **April 13**, **2021**.

CW

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank You Cards from MHPSD Students Awarded Scholarships

Irelynd Rutley Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship
Josie Hoffarth Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship
Blake Douville Thelma Berkeley Robinson Scholarship

LaKenna Janke Woollven Family Scholarship

CW

VIII. RECOGNITIONS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. <u>2020 Terry Fox School Run Results</u>

It is during the most difficult of times that we see the human spirit shine and 10 schools in the Medicine Hat School District shined bright in 2020 raising an incredible \$3453.65 for cancer research. We are so honoured to know that our Terry Fox schools support Terry's mission of finding a cure for cancer come rain or shine.

CW

IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Policies Updated

At the March 22 Coordinating Committee, the following policies and administrative procedures were reviewed. It is recommended that the Board approve the updated policies as presented.

Policy 724 – School and Program Closure and Relocation was renumbered (was 812) to a more appropriate section of Policy; 700' 'Educational Program' vs. 800 'Facilities' section. The other updates were made to align with the Education Act.

Policy 812-724 – School and Program Closure and Relocation

812-724 P 001 – School Closure or Grade Relocation

812-724 P 002 – Program Relocation or Closure

Policy 814 – Disposal of Real Property

Enclosure No. 4

MD/JL

2. Policy 520 - Transfer of Professional Staff

This policy <u>520 Transfer of Professional Staff</u> has been renamed and updated to be a policy and a new administrative procedure 520 P 001 'Division Initiated Transfer of Professional Staff'. This policy will be reviewed by the Coordinating Committee at their next meeting May 17, 2021.

It is recommended that the Board review and approve the updates as presented.

LC

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Enclosure No. 6

3. <u>Medicine Hat High School Team Name</u>

Medicine Hat High School has chosen their new team name. As per Policy 210.2 – Team Names, Logos, Colours and Mascots once a selection has been made, the final committee recommendation is to be presented to the Board for final approval.

It is recommended that the Board approve Medicine Hat High School's Team name as *Hawks*.

MD

4. Letter to Premier Jason Kenney

The board proposes that a letter be drafted to the Premier to strongly urge that all school staff be placed on a priority list to receive Covid-19 vaccinations.

CW

5. Letter to Minister Adriana LaGrange

The board proposes that a letter be drafted to the Education Minister petitioning her to reconsider the new K-6 draft curriculum presented on March 29, 2021. Further we request that the current curriculum remain in effect until a new curriculum, developed by Alberta curriculum academics and Alberta teachers, with input from parents, students, Indigenous leaders and members of the broader communities can be brought forward.

CW

X. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. <u>Coordinating Committee</u>

Minutes of the March 22, 2021 Coordinating Committee meeting are attached for information.

CF/MD

Enclosure No. 7

2. Division Council of School Council

The Division Council of School Council held a meeting on Thursday, March 25, 2021. The minutes from the meeting are enclosed for information.

CW/MD

Enclosure No. 8

XI. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. <u>Updated Exhibits</u>

The following exhibits were updated to reflect current fees:

<u>628 E 002 – Secondary Schools' Fee Schedule</u>

628 E 003 – International Students' Fee Schedule

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