

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MEDICINE HAT
CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION held by Google Meet and recorded on
May 11, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.**

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS PRESENT

Dick Mastel	Trustee, Board Chair
Robert Risling	Trustee, Vice-Chair
Kathy Glasgo	Trustee
Peter Grad	Trustee
David Leahy	Trustee
Dwayne Zarichny	Superintendent of Schools
Chuck Hellman	Deputy Superintendent
Greg MacPherson	Secretary Treasurer
Hugh Lehr	Associate Superintendent Learning Services
Sandra Richard	Religious Education Coordinator
Terri Ball	Coordinator of Early Childhood Services
Derrian Hallas	Communications Coordinator
Sean Rooney	Communications Officer
Chelsey Lybbert	Executive Assistant to the Superintendent (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

Note: The meeting was chaired by Dick Mastel, Board Chair.

CONSECRATION

Note: Father Iqbal Yousaf, Father Rodel Abanto and Mrs. Shannon English joined the meeting for the consecration of the division to St. Joseph. Pope Francis declared December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021 the year of dedication to St. Joseph.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – April 13, 2021

3757 Motion. Peter Grad: "THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 13, 2021 be approved as circulated."

Carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – April 22, 2021

3758 Motion. Kathy Glasgo: "THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting held April 22, 2021 be approved as circulated."

Carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE ACTION AGENDA

3759 Motion. Robert Risling: "THAT the Action Agenda dated May 11, 2021 be approved as circulated."

Carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Retirement Dinner (Mastel)

3760 Motion. Kathy Glasgo: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education postpone the June 14, 2021 retiree banquet to September 23, 2021 due to current COVID restrictions."

Carried unanimously.

Edwin Parr Gift (Grad)

Note: The Edwin Parr banquet will be held virtually on May 19th due to COVID restrictions. ASBA is sending celebration baskets to each of the nominees to enjoy while they watch the virtual banquet. It is up to each board to determine what gift they would like to get their nominee in lieu of the in-person banquet.

3761 Motion: Peter Grad. "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education purchase a \$100.00 restaurant gift card for our Edwin Parr nominee, Taylyn Weisgerber, in lieu of the in-person banquet."

Carried unanimously.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

School Parish Relations (Risling)

Note: Although this committee has not met formally for months, relationships between the schools, Board and parish are very positive. Father Iqbal, Father Rodel and Father Roque have all done great things with our division and look forward to coming into the schools once COVID restrictions lift. Father Iqbal recently filmed all the administrators in the division speaking about the importance of Catholic education.

Religious Education Review (Richard)

Note: The Religious Education Review has been paused for a short time as our schools transition to online learning. Surveys have been sent to staff students and parents/guardians which should be completed by May 14th. Interviews will be set up in the coming weeks. Dr. Sarnecki would like to visit the schools in person but it is very difficult with the current COVID restrictions. We may need to wait until the fall to have the completed report once Dr. Sarnecki can visit the schools in person.

BOARD WORK PLAN

Locally Developed Courses (Hellman)

Note: Monsignor McCoy High School has requested to acquire 16 locally developed courses to implement at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.

3762 Motion. David Leahy: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education authorize Monsignor McCoy High School to offer the following locally developed courses:

- Forensic Studies 35-5 from Pembina Hills School Division (end date 8/31/2025)
- Forensic Studies 25-3 from Edmonton School Division (end date 8/31/2025)
- Forensic Studies 35-3 from Edmonton School Division (end date 8/31/2025)
- Psychology – Abnormal 35-3 from Pembina Hills School Division (end date, 8/31/2022)
- Technical Theatre – 15-3 from The Calgary School Division (end date, 8/31/2022)
- Technical Theatre – 15-5 from The Calgary School Division (end date, 8/31/2022)
- Technical Theatre – 25-3 from The Calgary School Division (end date, 8/31/2022)

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- Technical Theatre – 35-3 from The Calgary School Division (end date, 8/31/2022)
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- Performing Arts – 15-3 from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division No. 77 (end date, 8/31/2023)
- Performing Arts – 15-5 from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division No. 77 (end date, 8/31/2023)
- Performing Arts – 25-3 from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division No. 77 (end date, 8/31/2023)
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Carried unanimously. .

Staffing Update (Hellman)

Note: Two specialty positions are waiting to be filled (French teacher at École St. John Paul II and Baseball Academy Coach/Teacher at Notre Dame Academy).

Note: The interviews for the Coordinator of Religious Education had to be postponed due to the government’s announcement of the transition to online learning. The interviews will now take place on May 12th.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Strategic Priorities Update (Zarichny)

Note: Standing report included in the board package.

Note: Deacon Robert Risling asked that we include “annual reconcentration of our schools to Our Lady” in the strategic priorities.

COVID-19 and Education (Zarichny)

Note: Information for K-12 shift for at home learning was included in the board package. Schools have moved online May 7 – 25. Both St. Mary’s and NDA had previously moved online due to operational needs at the school. Over the weekend there were 6 positive cases at Monsignor McCoy High School which put a large portion of the school students and staff into quarantine as they were considered close contacts. The division would have had to request Monsignor McCoy High School to move online as well due to operational needs if the province didn’t announce the switch to online learning.

Note: All families have been provided a chromebook for online learning if they requested one.

Education Plan Update (Zarichny)

Note: The strategic priorities with accompanying goals were listed in the board package. These will be included in the Education plan which will be shared with the Board prior to the meeting on May 26th.

Communications Report (Hallas/Rooney)

Note: Mr. Leahy thanked Mrs. Hallas and Mr. Rooney for all the work they did to support the virtual concert for the Friends of McCoy Society.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

ERIPS (Hellman)

Note: Three ERIP's were presented.

3763 Motion. Peter Grad: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the ERIP application for employee #10329 for \$22,000."

Defeated 3-2.
In favour: Glasgo, Grad
Against: Leahy, Mastel, Risling

3764 Motion. Robert Risling: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the ERIP application for employee #10293 for \$20,000."

Defeated 4-1.
In favour: Glasgo
Against: Grad, Leahy, Mastel, Risling

3765 Motion. Peter Grad: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the ERIP application for employee #10522 for \$35,000."

Carried 3-2.
In favour: Glasgo, Grad, Leahy
Against: Mastel, Risling

School Parish Relations (MacPherson)

Note: Parish School Relations Committee was not included in Policy 8 when the policies were updated earlier this year which was an oversight.

3766 Motion. Robert Risling: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve for first reading the amended Policy 8 – Committees of the Board which establishes the School Parish Relations Committee with the terms of reference as presented in the proposed amended policy."

Carried unanimously.

Proceeds of International Education (Leahy)

Note: Notice of motion to be added to the June board meeting agenda:

Motion: David Leahy: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education stipulates that after all expenses are met in support of the International Education Program any remaining proceeds are to be split evening between the following:
1. The Division's Religious Education Program.
2. A capital reserve account to support the construction of the SCSL Center."

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) Negotiation Committee (Grad)

Note: Nothing to report.

Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Negotiation Committee (Mastel)

Note: Nothing to report.

Teacher Board Advisory Committee (Glasgo)

Note: Nothing to report.

Support Staff Board Advisory Committee (Risling)

Note: Report attached in board package.

CUPE Support Staff Board Advisory Committee (Leahy)

Note: Nothing to report.

Student Board Advisory Committee (Mastel)

Note: Nothing to report.

Audit Committee (TBD)

Note: The Audit Committee has not been constituted yet.

Sisters of Charity of St. Louis Center Committee (Leahy)

Note: Almost 40 former students as well as current students performed in a virtual concert April 30 – May 2 put on by the Friends of McCoy Society to raise funds for the SCSL Center. Special thanks to Mrs. Helen Snortland for doing a wonderful job to coordinate the concert. Spotlight on Shaw will be featuring parts of the concert in the coming weeks.

Alberta School Boards' Association – Zone 6 Representative (Grad)

Note: Report attached in board package.

Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA) Representative (Mastel)

Note: Nothing to report.

Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation Representative (Mastel)

Note: Nothing to report.

Parent Association Representative (Glasgo)

Note: Nothing to report.

Spiritual Leadership Scholarship Committee Representative (Leahy)

Note: Nothing to report.

Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA) Representative (Grad)

Note: Next meeting is on Thursday, May 13th.

CLOSING PRAYER

Note: The meeting closed with prayer led Deacon Robert Risling.

ADJOURNMENT

Note: The regular meeting was adjourned by the Board Chair.

Note: The meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Dick Mastel, Board Chair

Greg MacPherson, Secretary Treasurer