

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING OF THE MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION held at the Catholic Education Centre and livestreamed on MHCBE YouTube Channel on December 14, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS PRESENT

Kathy Glasgo	Board Chair	
Robert Risling	Vice-Chair	
Bernie Kinch	Trustee	
David Leahy	Trustee	
Dick Mastel	Trustee	ABSENT
Dwayne Zarichny	Superintendent of Schools	
Chuck Hellman	Deputy Superintendent	
Greg MacPherson	Secretary Treasurer	
Hugh Lehr	Associate Superintendent Learning Services	
Terri Ball	Early Childhood Coordinator	ABSENT
Heather Irvine	Coordinator of Early Childhood Services	
Derrian Hallas	Communications Officer	
Chelsey Lybbert	Executive Assistant to the Superintendent (Recorder)	

GUESTS

Tom Coffey
Yvonne Nickel

CALL TO ORDER

Note: The meeting was chaired by Kathy Glasgo, Board Chair.

OPENING PRAYER

Note: The opening prayer was led by Rev. Robert Risling.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Note: Dr. Zarichny read the land acknowledgement.

PRESENTATION

Note: Mr. Coffey and Ms. Nickel gave a presentation to the board regarding concerns about COVID-19 vaccination status (AP 492) and the mask mandate in the division.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – November 2, 2021

3835 Motion. Leahy: “THAT the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 2, 2021 as circulated.”

Carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC (FINANCIAL) BOARD MEETING – November 24, 2021

3836 Motion. Leahy: “THAT the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on November 24, 2021 as circulated.”

Carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE ACTION AGENDA

3837 Motion. Kinch: “THAT the Agenda dated December 14, 2021 be approved with one additional item: Terms of Reference - Religious Education Committee.”

Carried unanimously.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

School Parish Relations Committee

Note: Nothing to report.

Religious Education Coordinator Report

Note: Report attached in board package.

Note: Accolades given to Mrs. Irvine for her work in the schools throughout the season of advent.

BOARD WORK PLAN

Capital Maintenance Renewal Plan

Note: Mr. MacPherson presented the Capital Maintenance Renewal Plan to the board.

3838 Motion. Risling: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the 2021-22 CMR plan as presented."

Carried unanimously.

Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal Plan

Note: Mr. MacPherson presented the Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal Plan to the board.

3839 Motion. Risling "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the 2021-22 IMR plan as presented."

Carried unanimously.

First Quarter 2021-22 Financial Update

Note: Mr. MacPherson presented the First Quarter 2021-2022 Financial Update to the board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Strategic Priorities Update

Note: Report attached in board package.

AERR Update

Note: The Alberta Education Results Report was approved by the board at the November 24th meeting and submitted to Alberta Education on November 30th. Alberta Education met with senior administration about the report on December 6th. A couple graphs needed to be included as well as some short commentary to update the plan but overall the Education Manager was very pleased with the report. The report is being used as an example for other jurisdictions in the province.

International Education Update

Note: Change to board agenda report: there are now 53 international students anticipated for February.

Note: Rev. Risling asked about the process for selecting homestay families. Dr. Zarichny gave an overview of what is required to become a homestay family and the process involved.

COVID Vaccination Status AP 492 Update

Note: Mr. Hellman updated his report to let the trustees know that 97% of all MHCBE staff will be fully vaccinated by Christmas.

Communications Report

Note: Report attached in board package.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Terms of Reference – Religious Education Committee (additional item)

Note: Terms of Reference presented in the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

3840 Motion. Leahy: "THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education establish an ad hoc committee titled "Religious Education Committee" and approve the terms of reference presented in the Committee of the Whole Meeting."

Carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) Negotiation Committee

Note: Nothing to report.

Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Negotiation Committee

Note: Nothing to report.

Teacher Board Advisory Committee

Note: Nothing to report. Next meeting is on December 15, 2021.

Support Staff Board Advisory Committee

Note: Nothing to report. Next meeting to be scheduled in January 2022.

CUPE Support Staff Advisory Committee

Note: Nothing to report. Next meeting is December 16, 2021.

Student Board Advisory Committee

Note: Nothing to report.

Audit Committee

Note: Nothing to report.

SCSL Centre Committee

Note: Meeting on December 20, 2021 to review three proposals from construction companies. There will be a presentation from a consultant regarding being a district representative.

Alberta School Boards' Association - Zone 6 Representative

Note: Report attached in board package.

Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association Representative

Note: ACSTA President and Vice-President will present at the January 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation Representative

Note: Mr. Kinch has attended two Education Foundation meetings (one regular and one sub-committee meeting). The Foundation has deferred the request for funds to the SCSL Centre until their AGM (January 18th).

Parent Association Representative

Note: Minutes were distributed by Ms. Glasgo to all trustees.

Spiritual Leadership Scholarship Committee Representative

Note: Nothing to report.

Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA) Representative

Note: Report given in the Committee of the Whole.

CLOSING PRAYER

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

Note: The meeting adjourned at 5:29 PM.

Kathy Glasgo, Board Chair

Greg MacPherson, Secretary Treasurer