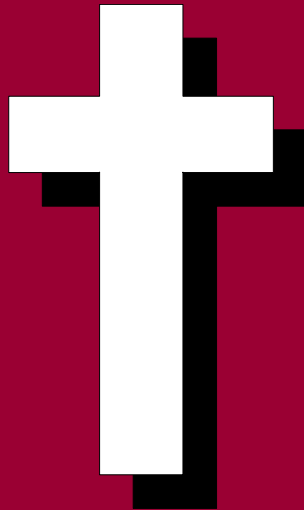


Medicine Hat Catholic
Separate Regional Division No. 20

"SHOWING THE FACE OF CHRIST TO ALL"



PUBLIC AGENDA

March 10, 2009 – 6:00 p.m

Catholic Education Centre – 1251 – 1st Avenue SW

Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

ACTION AGENDA

DATE: March 10, 2009

Place: Catholic Education Centre

Time: 6:00 P.M.

1.	<i>Opening Prayer</i> WE ARE CALLED TO WALK HUMBL Y	PG	
2.	<i>Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting</i> ◆Recommendation: THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 10, 2009 be approved as circulated.	JC	
3.	<i>Approval of the Action Agenda</i> ◆Recommendation: THAT the Action Agenda dated March 10, 2009 be approved as circulated.	JC	<i>1 - 3</i>
4.	<i>Approval of the Non-Action Agenda</i> ◆Recommendation: THAT the Non-Action Agenda dated March 10, 2009 be approved as circulated.	JC	<i>4</i>
5.	<i>7:00 PM.</i> <i>Presentation – CanWest Canspell Spelling Bee – Regional Championships</i> Miss Willow Hordos-Goyer, a student from St. Michael’s School in Medicine Hat will be recognized by the Board of Trustees and presented with recognition as an <i>Ambassador for Catholic Education</i> . Willow competed in the Regional Spelling Bee championships in Lethbridge on February 28, 2009. Willow placed 22 nd overall out of 4,000 students. Mrs. Sarah Kukurudza, a teacher from St. Michael’s School will be in attendance to introduce Willow and provide the background leading up to the competition. Congratulations Willow.	SA	
6.	<i>7:00 PM</i> <i>Presentation – Edwin Parr Nominations</i> Three first year teachers are nominated for the ASBA Edwin Parr Award. Principals will introduce teachers; JJ Fedor from Mother Teresa School, Amie Baker from St. Mary’s School and Sandra MacGregor from St. Patrick’s School. Our school division is able to nominate one teacher for from our Division for the provincial award; an internal committee will choose a candidate that will be announced March 18 th . That candidates name will be forward to the ASBA Edwin Parr Committee by March 17, 2009. The Board wishes the best of luck to the nominees. Congratulations.	WS/SA	
7.	<i>6:00 PM</i> <i>Presentation – Wellness Conference</i> 7.1 Mrs. Denise Dirk-Feininger, Coordinator of Curriculum and Religious Studies will present an overview of the Wellness Conference held March 6, 2009. 7.2 An update of the research and background to restore the <i>Cupola</i> from the former <i>St. Theresa’s Academy</i> .	DL	
8.	<i>Corporate Communications</i> 8.1 Two letters were forwarded to Alberta Education outlining our position on the recommendations to the <i>Off Campus Education Handbook</i> . One letter is written	SA/DL	<i>Hyperlink Encl. 5 6 - 11</i>

	<p>from the Board of Trustees to Alberta Education; the second letter is written from the Superintendent of Schools to Alberta Education.</p> <p>8.2 A letter was forwarded to all School Boards in the province of Alberta from the Board of Trustees outlining the Board's position with regards to the ASBA Fair Bargaining Report.</p> <p>8.3 Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week - A "thank you" card is posted on the division website; the division has mailed a <i>personal thank you card</i> to each Substitute Teachers. We appreciate their work and value their contribution they make to our classrooms.</p>		
9.	<p><i>Policy 11 – Board Delegation of Authority</i></p> <p>◆Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve 2nd reading of Policy 11 – Board Delegation of Authority.</p>	SA	Hyperlink Encl. 12 - 13
10.	<p><i>Policy 8 – Committees of the Board</i></p> <p>The Board will review Policy 8 - Committees of the Board – Article 6 (Audit Committee)</p>	SA/KA	Hyperlink Encl. 14 - 16
11.	<p><i>School Year Calendar 2009 -2010</i></p> <p>◆Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the 2009 – 2010 School Year Calendar as presented.</p>	SA/WS	Hyperlink Encl. 17
12.	<p><i>Administrative Procedure AP 505 – School Fees</i></p> <p>Note: There is no change to the general school fees outline from the 2008 -2009 school year. The Superintendent of Schools did approve fee increases to the Academy Programs at both St. Mary's School and Notre Dame Academy.</p> <p>◆Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the General School Fees for the 2009 – 2010 school year.</p>	DL	Hyperlink Encl. 18 - 20
13.	<p><i>Superintendent's Report</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Student Students • Coordinator of Religious Education • St. Michael's School Principalship • Principal Evaluation • Budget Assumptions - Teacher Induction Program and Leadership Enhancement Program 	DL	Hyperlink Encl. 21 - 30
14.	<p><i>Partnership Agreement – Board Ratification</i></p> <p>Note: The Center for Learning @ Home will be our primary service provider of virtual education as well as providing on-line education to grandfathered "gifted" students. The Center for Learning @ Home encompasses St. Paul's Academy. The Center for Learning @ Home also coordinate Christ the Redeemer's Home schooling program, as well as its traditional distance learning program.</p> <p>◆Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education ratify the agreement between the Medicine Hat Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 20 and Christ the Redeemer Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 3 for the use of the Centre for Learning @ Home.</p>	WS/GM	Hyperlink Encl. 31 - 32
15.	<p><i>Central Office Review</i></p> <p>As part of the Central Office Review, Mr. Greg MacPherson, Secretary-Treasurer will speak to the restructuring within the Business Services Department.</p>	GM	

16.	<i>Facility Tours</i> The Board Work Plan reflects that; School Facility Tours be scheduled for September on an annual basis. The Board will set out a schedule for the fall.	SA	
17.	<i>Town Hall Meetings - “A continued conversation about Catholic education”</i> A date or dates(s) will be determined for the next Town Hall Meeting(s) for Medicine Hat. During the 2008 – 2009 school year Town Hall Meetings in Medicine Hat were held February 28, 2008 and May 20, 2008.	SA	
18.	<i>Policy Review</i> A schedule will be developed to review various Board Policies at each upcoming Board Meeting.	SA	
19.	<i>Quarterly Budget Update</i> The Secretary-Treasurer will distribute a Quarterly Budget update.	GM	
20.	<i>Student Enrolment</i> An update of the student enrolment numbers will be provided following the Division Wide Registration held in all Division schools in February 2009.	GM	
21.	<i>Three Year Education Plan Review – Powerpoint Annual Education Results Report Review</i> The Superintendent of Schools will present the Three Year Education Plan by powerpoint; and will review the Annual Education Results Report Review from Alberta Education.	DL	Hyperlink Encl. 33 - 43
22.	<i>Setting the Direction for Special Education - Alberta Education</i> An update of the <i>Setting the Direction for Special Education Initiative</i> will be provided by the Acting Director of Students Services.	HL	Hyperlink
23.	<i>ASBA Call for Bylaw Amendments (ASBA 2009 Spring General Meeting)</i> Boards are asked to submit any proposed bylaw amendments directly to ASBA by March 25, 2009. The ASBA Spring General Meeting is scheduled for June 01 – 02, 2009 in Red Deer, AB.	SA	Hyperlink Encl. 44 - 45
24.	<i>Minister’s Meeting with Board Chairs and Chief Superintendents</i> A meeting has been called for Thursday, March 26, 2009 in Calgary for school boards in zones 4, 5 and 6 from 8:30 – noon. The meeting will focus on the Ministry’s Business Plan for 2009 – 12, the fiscal situation, capital planning and regional collaboration. Attendance is limited to Board Chairs and Chief Superintendents.	SA	
25.	<i>Board Retreat</i> Mr. Leahy will review plans for a Board Retreat. A proposed date of October 2009 is planned.	DL	
26.	<i>Blueprints and SPICE</i> SPICE – April 23 to April 26 and BLUEPRINTS – April 28 to May 1	SA	Hyperlink
27.	<i>COMMITTEE REPORTS</i>		
	27.1 Medicine Hat Catholic Schools’ Education Foundation - Kelly Van Ham		
	27.2 Representative to ACSTA – Peter Grad		
	27.3 Representative to Teacher Board Advisory Committee – Stan Aberle		

27.4	Representative to ASBA Zone 6 - Ken Arthur		
27.5	Representative to Spiritual Leadership Scholarship Awards – Stan Aberle		
27.6	Representative to Support Staff Board Advisory Committee – Jodi Churla		
27.7	Representative to Parent Association – Jodi Churla		
27.8	Representative to the Audit Committee - TBA		
27.9	Salary Negotiations		
	a. ATA – Ken Arthur		
	b. CUPE – Peter Grad		

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1.	INFORMATION ITEMS		
1.1	St. Mary's School Fine Arts Academy Registration for 2009 – 2010. Monday, March 23, 2009		<i>Hyperlink 48 - 49</i>
1.2	APRIL 28 AND APRIL 29, 2009 - St. Mary's School Fine Arts Performance of "Willy Wonka Jr". Tickets at the Esplanade FOR \$10.		

Notice of Public Board Meetings

As of October 2008 Public Board Meetings for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education will begin at **6:00 PM** with **presentations** at **7:00 PM**

All regularly scheduled Public Board Meetings are the **2nd Tuesday** of each month held at the Catholic Education Centre located at 1251 – 1st Avenue SW unless otherwise advertised.

Public welcome to attend - Information @ www.mhce.ab.ca