

# BOARD BULLETIN

**MAY 2015 – MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION - [www.mhcbe.ab.ca](http://www.mhcbe.ab.ca)**

**NORTHFLATS NEIGHBORHOOD** - The Board approved the *Northflats Neighborhood Association Summer Rental Agreement* from July 06, 2015 to August 14, 2015. The group utilizes our St. Louis School over the summer months to operate their community summer program.

**LETTERS TO THE PROVINCE** – In April, the Board of Trustees wrote two letters to the Minister of Education. The first letter *requested a meeting* to review funding for our High School Modernization Project and the second letter *expressed concerns over the Budget* shortfall. To date the Board has not received a response.

**MEDIA RELEASE** – The Board issued a media release on May 1, 2015 regarding the *2015-2016 Provincial Budget Implications* primarily the freeze on *School Board Reserves*; the *Non-Funding for New Students* and the *Grant Reductions*. The media release can be found on the division website at [www.mhcbe.ab.ca](http://www.mhcbe.ab.ca)

**STRATEGIC PLANNING** – A Board Strategic Planning Session was held on May 1<sup>st</sup> which included Trustees, and both Senior and School Based Administration. The group: *reflected on WHAT makes MH Catholic Schools Catholic*; *examined WHY students attend our Schools* and *completed a SWOT analysis* (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats). The Division Leadership Team and the Parent Association will now be engaged on the information gathered and resulting priorities for the Division.

**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) CONTRACT** – The Board approved the School Resource Officer Contract with the *MH Police Service* for the 2015–2016 school year in the amount of **\$59,319.07**. Our partnership with the MH Police Service employs a Police Officer also known as a *School Resource Officer* to work with students at *Monsignor McCoy High School, St. Mary's School* and *Notre Dame Academy*. This has been a very positive school program.

## SOD-TURNING YOU'RE INVITED!

Kick-off to the modernization of our High School. Join us for the Sod Turning Event at Monsignor McCoy!

- **Monday, June 8, 2015**  
Monsignor McCoy High School, 202 8<sup>th</sup> St NE  
9:30-10:30 Sod Turning Ceremony  
Dignitaries, Trustees, Staff, Students, Parents & General Public
- School BBQ to follow \$3



The modernization development plan, concept, design & phasing plan are well underway. Construction scheduled to start soon [www.mccoymodernization.ca](http://www.mccoymodernization.ca) 403.527.2292.



Monsignor McCoy High School  
– MODERNIZATION –  
MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION



*Invest in OUR KIDS, invest in OUR SCHOOLS!*

## Our Motto:

**"Showing the face of Christ to all."**

**APPOINTMENT** – Mr. Joe Colistro, Superintendent of Schools announced Mr. Chuck Hellman's "acting" designation has been removed following a successful evaluation. Chuck is now appointed the *Associate Superintendent Human Resources* for the Division. Congratulations Mr. Hellman.

**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL MOVE FOR MENTAL HEALTH FUN RUN / WALK** – Thank you to all those that participated in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Move for Mental Health Fun Run/Walk" both 2km & 4 km on Sunday, May 3, 2015. This event is coordinated by Community Coming Together (CCT) as part of the provincial *Mental Health Capacity Building Initiative* promoting mental health awareness. Free registration, refreshments, door prizes and swag bags for the participants. If you missed us this year, *we hope to see you next year.*



**A chance to walk  
& talk & learn  
about mental  
health...and of  
course, have fun!**

**A huge thank you  
to participants, donors & event sponsors!**

### Upcoming Board Meeting:

Tues. June 09, 2015 at 3:00 pm

Meetings are held at the Catholic School Board Office, 1251-1<sup>st</sup> AVE SW, Medicine Hat. Everyone is welcome.

**SCHOOL BOARD NEWS** – This Bulletin is published following monthly Catholic School Board Meetings. The Bulletin highlights just a few of the School Division's many activities & events. *We hope you find this publication of interest and value to you.*