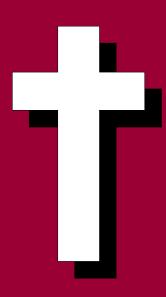
Medicine Hat Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 20

"SHOWING THE FACE OF CHRIST TO ALL"



PUBLIC AGENDA

October 14, 2008 – 6:00 p.m

St. Michael's School MH - 865 Black Blvd NW



Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

ACTION AGENDA

DATE: October 14, 2008 Place: Catholic Education Centre Time: 6:00 P.M.

The Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will follow the Organizational Meeting

1.	Opening Prayer WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE GENEROUSLY	DL	
2.	Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting ◆Recommendation: THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 09, 2008 be approved as circulated.		
3.	Approval of the Action Agenda ◆ Recommendation: THAT the Action Agenda dated October 14, 2008 be approved as circulated.		Hyperlink Encl. 1 - 3
4.	Approval of the Non-Action Agenda ◆ Recommendation: THAT the Non-Action Agenda dated October 14, 2008 be approved as circulated.		Hyperlink Encl. 4
5.	Presentation – St. Michael's School St. Michael's School is hosting the regularly scheduled October Meeting of the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education. The general public is welcome to attend. St. Michael's School Parents and Staff are invited to attend the Board meeting. St. Michael's will highlight their school programming.		
6.	 Corporate Communications 6.1 Letter to Catholic community stakeholders including Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary, Parish Teams, Priests, Central Office Senior Administration and Trustees. Meeting scheduled for October 21, 2008. Invitations are being sent. A report on the meeting will be presented at the November Board Meeting. 6.2 Alberta Education Minister request to School Boards across the province to consider starting the 2009/2010 school year on August 27, 2009 to accommodate the WorldSkills Competition in September 2009. 6.3 Alberta Government Heritage Division evaluated the former Montreal Street School site now St. Louis School on its historical and architectural significance in relation to a Provincial Historial Site. 6.4 MERLA Awards - Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education was presented with two MERLA Awards in 2007 for School Improvement. This year's awards will be presented in November 2008. Our community is invited to view the Division's report card at www.education.gov.ab.ca/accountability. 6.5 Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Parent Association and Alberta School Councils' Association are presenting a workshop for Parents, School Council Members and Community Members who want a better understanding of the purpose and work of school councils are invited. Saturday, October 18, 2008 from 9 – 4. 	SA/DL	Hyperlink Encl. 5 Hyperlink Encl. 7 - 8 Hyperlink Encl. 9 Hyperlink Encl. 10

	Mrs. Jill Wilkinson, AISI Coordinator will review the AISI Project – Assessment for Learning. Mrs. Wilkinson will present the report of year two of the project.		Encl. 11 - 20
8.	Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal (IMR) Mr. Greg MacPherson, Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. Jim Schafer, Facilities and Operations Supervisor will present the IMR Projects for 2008 − 2009 and 2009 − 2010. ◆Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the 2008 − 2009 proposed Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal Projects presented using the 2008 − 2009 IMR allocation of \$503,964 plus a portion of the remaining \$74,180 from 2007 − 2008.		Hyperlink Encl. 21 - 24
9.	Student Enrolment Mr. Greg MacPherson, Secretary-Treasurer will present the Board with the September 30, 2008 Student Enrolment Report.	GM	Hyperlink Encl. 25 - 27
10.	Administrative Procedure #401 Mr. David Leahy will review the revisions to Administrative Procedure 401 – Criminal Records Checks – Child Welfare Information Services Checks. A number of changes including the titles of the checks have changed: Police Information Check and Children Service's Intervention Record Check.	DL	Hyperlink Encl. 28 - 30
11.	Transportation Mr. Greg MacPherson will review the letter from Totem Transportation regarding the Totem School Bus Journey Prices. Totem Transportation is a division of TRAXX. There will be a general discussion regarding transportation.	GM	Hyperlink Encl. 31
12.	Borrowing Resolution Alberta Treasury Branch ◆ Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education approve the Borrowing Resolution with the Alberta Treasury Branch in the amount of \$1,156,000.		Hyperlink Encl. 32
13.	Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Vacinne ◆ Recommendation: THAT the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education uphold the directive from the Bishops of Alberta to not allow the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine to be administered in our Catholic schools and further, that the "Statement of the Alberta Bishops – October 2, 2008" be distributed to parents and guardians.	SA	Hyperlink Encl. 33- 35
14.	Catholic Education Sunday Catholic Education Sunday is October 26, 2008. Division personnel will be sharing a message on Catholic Education Sunday at Mass in our parishes on October 25 th and October 26 th .	DL	Hyperlink Encl. 36 – 37
15.	2008 Staff Appreciation Board Dinner & Dance – September 26, 2008 A review of the September 26, 2008 Staff Appreciation Board Dinner and Dance.	SA	
16.	ACSTA and ASBA AGM Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association AGM is scheduled for November 14 – 16, 2008 and the Alberta School Boards Association AGM is scheduled for November 17 – 19, 2008. Trustees and Senior Administration will be registered to attend.	SA	

17.	Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams Results- Powerpoint Presentation Mr. Wayne Schlosser, Deputy Superintendent will present the 2007 – 2008 results.	WS	
18.	Class Size Initiative Reporting It should be noted that the class size guidelines recommended by Alberta's Commission on Learning are averages across a jurisdiction. When it comes to class sizes, schools and school boards need to have flexibility in classroom organization that supports parent and student educational choice. This means that some classes will be higher and some will be lower than the recommended averages. The Class Size Report is due to AB Education October 30, 2008.	DL	
19.	Mentorship Mr. David Leahy will report on the proposed Mentorship Program for Senior Administration.	DL	
20.	United Way and Medicine Hat Catholic Schools Support Mr. David Leahy will review the ways in which we support the United Way and the opportunities that exist for our staff to be involved in the United Way.	DL	
21.	Facilities Alberta Government is engaging a Regional Facilities Study to determine the facility needs for our region. Mr. David Purdy has been contracted to conduct the study.	DL	
22.	COMMITTEE REPORTS 22.1 Medicine Hat Catholic Schools' Education Foundation - Kelly Van Ham 22.2 Representative to ACSTA - Peter Grad 22.3 Representative to Teacher Board Advisory Committee - Stan Aberle 22.4 Representative to ASBA Zone 6 - Ken Arthur 22.5 Representative to Spiritual Leadership Scholarship Awards - Stan Aberle 22.6 Representative to Support Staff Board Advisory Committee - Jodi Churla 22.7 Representative to Parent Association - Jodi Churla 22.8 Salary Negotiations		
	a. ATA – Ken Arthur b. CUPE – Peter Grad		

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1.	INFORMATION ITEMS			
	1.1	AB Government commits \$4 million to send students to WorldSkills 2009	Hyperlink Encl. 38 – 39	
	1.2	Alberta School Councils' Association Newsletter Sept/Oct 2008	Hyperlink Encl. 40 - 45	

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 2^{nd} Tuesday of each month held at the Catholic Education Centre located at $1251 - 1^{st}$ Avenue SW unless otherwise posted as follows:

Tues, October 14, 2008 - St. Michael's School (Medicine Hat)
Wed, November 12, 2008 - McCoy High School
Tues, February 10, 2009 - St. Louis School
Tues, April 7, 2009 - St. Patrick's School

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