BOARD BULLETIN

March 2016 - MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION www.mhcbe.ab.ca

Southland School Designs Approved -

The Board of Trustees approved the design drawings of Sector 5



Elementary School (Southlands). Architects, Ferrari Westwood **Babits** presented the Board with drawings of the new elementary school. The design incorporates lots of natural light with an outdoor feel with meaningful multi-use

gathering spaces. The Board will begin the process for *naming our new 250 seat Catholic Elementary School*. The School is anticipated to open in the fall of 2017, located just south of Holy Family Parish.

MHCBE Response to Minister's Guidelines – The Board approved 3rd Reading of *Policy 1 – Division Foundation Statements* at a Special Board Meeting. The Policy along with Administrative Procedures were forwarded to the Minister of Education that address the Board's responsibility to ensure each *student in our schools* are provided with a *welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment*.

International Field Trips – The Board approved two trips: *Monsignor McCoy (Baseball) Great Falls May 17 – May 30, 2016; Monsignor McCoy (Education Tour) Portugal April 13-April 22, 2017.* It is noted the Board has the responsibility and right to cancel trips up to the date of departure.

French Immersion Enhanced at High School - The Board approved the allocation of necessary funds to have a single block French Immersion Teacher at the High School beginning with the 2016-2017 school. See the letter to parents on the division website. The Board is thankful to our families who continue to support our Catholic Schools.

School Year Calendar Approved for 2016-2017 – The School Year <u>Calendar</u> for the next school year was approved. The Calendar is posted on the division website under the PARENTS tab.

APRIL BOARD MEETING RE-SCHEDULED - The April Board meeting was moved from April 12, 2016 to *April* **19, 2016** due to scheduling conflicts. The Public Meeting will begin at its new regular start time of 6:00 p.m.

NUMBER OF TRUSTEES SERVING ON THE

BOARD – In the past, *5 Trustees served* on the Board for Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education; with the removal of the Bow Island Ward under Ministerial Order, there are *now 4 Trustees* serving. Trustee establishment may only be increased at the time of elections. The Board passed a motion for *MHCBE to engage in a process for the establishment of a fifth Trustee*; the Board authorized Senior Administration to engage the process with a Consultant from Alberta School Boards' Association.





Monsignor McCoy High School PRESENTS



Fee Fi Fo Fum! It's...Jack and the Beanstalk! Tickets at www.tixx.Ca

or at the \$Chool 403.527.8161 \$12.

April 14th - 16th Medicine Hat College Theatre. See you there!



St. Mary's School PRESENTS
Beauty & the Beast Jr!
Tickets at www.tixx.ca

Disney's classic love story awaits you! April 26th + 27th Esplanade \$12.

MONSIGNOR MCCOY FUNDRAISING – There is still time to make a donation to support the modernization at Monsignor McCoy!

To-date, we have raised \$126,705

THANK YOU, (DONORS from Jan 12, 2016–Mar 08, 2016)

- BRONZE DONOR Sisters of Charity of St. Louis-Calgary
- **BRICK DONOR** Lee Little & Tamara Little; Logan, Morgan & Chandler Little



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Upcoming Board Meeting:

Tuesday, April 19, 2016 @ 6:00 pm Catholic School Board Office 1251-1st AVE S.W. General Public Welcome.

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