

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION held at Catholic School Board Office, 1251 – 1st Avenue S.W., Medicine Hat, Alberta on January 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS PRESENT

Peter Grad	Trustee	<i>Via Teleconference</i>
Dick Mastel	Trustee	
Kathy Glasgo	Trustee	
Robert Risling	Trustee	
David Leahy	Trustee	
Joe Colistro	Superintendent of Schools	
Chuck Hellman	Associate Superintendent Human Resources	
Greg MacPherson	Secretary Treasurer	
Hugh Lehr	Associate Superintendent Learning Services	
Jill Wilkinson	Religious Education Coordinator	
Terri Ball	Coordinator of Early Childhood Services	
Della Dewald	Executive Assistant & Corporate Communications	
Derrian Hallas	Communications Officer	

OPENING PRAYER

Note: The meeting was opened with prayer led by Kathy Glasgo. Thank you the Media for attending. The meeting is being recorded by the media. The Board Chair thanked the gallery for attending. It was noted approximately 30 people were in the gallery.

APPROVAL OF THE ACTION AGENDA

3325 Motion. Robert Risling: “THAT the Action Agenda dated January 30, 2018 be approved as circulated”.

Carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE NON-ACTION AGENDA

3326 Motion. Kathy Glasgo: “THAT the Non-Action Agenda dated January 30, 2018 be approved as circulated”.

Carried unanimously.

ÉCOLE ST. THOMAS D’AQUIN

Note: École St. Thomas d’Aquin School Closure Consideration – The Board will review the stakeholder engagement process undertaken relating to École St. Thomas d’Aquin:

Note: **At the December 12, 2017 Board Meeting, the Board made the following motion(s):**

- THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education give notice for the consideration of School Closure of École St. Thomas d’Aquin with the intention to move the program to St. John Paul II School.
- THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education schedule a Public Meeting for the purpose of providing and discussing information with stakeholders on the consideration of School Closure of École St. Thomas d’Aquin and that the meeting take place on Monday, January 8, 2018”. The Public Meeting will be held at École St. Thomas d’Aquin, 1970—19th Avenue S.E., Medicine Hat, AB at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is open to all stakeholders in our community.

Note: **A Public Information Meeting was held on January 08, 2018:**

- The purpose of the meeting was to provide information and to gather feedback from stakeholders. Approximately 80+ were in attendance. Thank you to all those that attended the meeting. Thank you to all stakeholders that have submitted feedback on an ongoing basis to Trustees.

Note: **At the January 09, 2018 Board Meeting the Board made the following motion:**

THAT the Board of Trustees for the MHCBE schedule a regular Board Meeting on

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 6 pm at the Catholic School Board Office for the purpose to discuss the proposed closure of Ecole St. Thomas d'Aquin and to move the program to St. John Paul II for the 2018-2019 school year.

SCHOOL CLOSURE - ÉCOLE ST. THOMAS D'AQUIN

3327 Motion. David Leahy: "“THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education close École St. Thomas d'Aquin and move the French Immersion Program to St. John Paul II School beginning with the 2018-2019 school year”.

Carried unanimously.

Note: Let the record show, the vote was unanimous.

Note: The Board further discussed the school Name, Grade Reconfiguration and Attendance Areas and Boundaries.

SCHOOL NAME – ST. JOHN PAUL II SCHOOL

3328 Motion. David Leahy: "“THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education change the School name to École St. John Paul II School”.

Carried unanimously.

DUAL TRACK ENGLISH/FRENCH IMMERSION – ÉCOLE ST. JOHN PAUL II SCHOOL

3329 Motion. Kathy Glasgo: "“THAT the programming for École St. John Paul II School be a dual track French Immersion/English Program”.

Carried unanimously.

GRADE CONFIGURATION – ÉCOLE ST. JOHN PAUL II SCHOOL

3330 Motion. Kathy Glasgo: "“THAT the grade configuration for École St. John Paul II School be K-6 for both French Immersion Program and the English Program”.

Carried unanimously.

ATTENDANCE AREAS AND BOUNDARIES – ÉCOLE ST. JOHN PAUL II SCHOOL

3331 Motion. David Leahy: "“THAT the Board of Trustees direct Administration engage in a public consultation process to review the Attendance Areas and Boundaries proposal for École St. John Paul II School in order to solicit feedback on the proposal and that administration bring back a summary for the feedback and recommendation to the Board in time for the February 13, 2018 Board Meeting”.

Carried unanimously.

Note: It is noted the Open House will be arranged at Holy Family Parish. Our parent community, district-wide will be informed of the Open House. A letter will be sent home and advertising the Open House will be arranged. It is critical we have the Open House as soon as possible to keep our stakeholders informed. We need to make the decision on boundaries as soon as possible with a final decision on February 13, 2018.

Note: A Media Release will be issued.

CLOSING PRAYER

Note: The meeting closed with prayer led by Kathy Glasgo.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Note: The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Dick Mastel, Board Chair

Della Dewald, Executive Assistant