Medicine Hat Catholic Schools Parent Association Annual General Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2011

- 1. Opening Prayer-lead by Mr. Leahy
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Centennial Celebration Presentation Stan Aberle Centennial Celebration will be held June 8-10, 2012. Centennial History book- looking for school councils, businesses and individuals to sponsor pages for \$100 each (tax receipt will be issued). Books will sell for \$40 each, hope to have them available for purchase prior to Christmas. Stan is also looking for pictures for submission to the book, especially from dates prior to 1960.
- 4. Reading and Approval of Minutes from AGM September 27, 2010 Approved by Corinne Hordos-Goyer/seconded by Barb Dolter
- Additions and Approval of Agenda Approved by Celena Gerl/seconded by Michele Plante
- 6. Election of the Executive
 - A. Chair- Candace Lambert
 - B. Vice-Chair-Laureen Getz
 - C. Secretary/Treasurer-Corinne Hordos-Goyer
 (Note-Signing authority for Parent Association bank Account # 600108215113 held at Servus Credit Union on 13th Ave Medicine Hat will move to this new executive)
 - D. Board Representative-Laureen Getz and Teresa Stark
- 7. Reading and Approval of Minutes from May 16, 2011 Meeting Error under Central Office Report- "rent for Cypress Center is going to be \$15,000" is incorrect. This line will be amended to "Estimated budget for the Centennial Celebration is \$20,000".
 Amended minutes approved by Corinne Hordos-Goyer/seconded by Laureen Getz.
- 8. Central Office Report-by Mr. Leahy
 - A. St. Patrick's Parent Survey-St. Patrick's school is currently at 127% utilization. A survey went out to parents last week and a meeting will be held at St.Patrick's to report the survey results to the parents. The results will then be forwarded to the Board.
 - B. Division Budget Currently we are projecting a \$1 million deficit.
 - C. Alberta Education Transformation Agenda-the province is working on the following initiatives: Action on Inclusion, Action on Curriculum and Tripartite talks.
 - D. Announcement –St. Mary's principal, Mr. Kukurudza resigned last Friday. The new principal at St.Mary's will be Mr. Chuck Hellman and vice-principal will be Mr. Pat Weisgerber. Acting principal at St.Patrick's will be Mr. Deydey and acting vice-principal will by Mrs. Sotropa.
 - E. Accountability Pillar Overall Summary-results were presented. The division was awarded "excellent" rating in many categories.
- Board Trustee Report-by Jodi Churla
 Welcome everyone back to Parent Association.
- 10. ATA Update-by Ray West

ATA is looking forward to Alberta Education Transformation Agenda meetings.

- 11. Committee Reports
 - A. Chair Report-Laureen Getz
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- B. Secretary/Treasurer- by Paula Lacher
 - Bank balance is \$1,068.54.

Paula Lacher made a motion to spend \$100.00 for Parent Association to sponsor a page in the Centennial History Book, seconded by Teresa Stark. Motion was approved.

- C. Board Representative-Laureen Getz
 - Next regular Board meeting will be Oct.11, 2011. There will be a special Board meeting at 6pm on Nov.24 to discuss Fall Budget and 3 year Education Plan.
 - Jodi reminded everyone if there is any group or individual that should be recognized as an Ambassador to forward that info to Mr. Leahy. The principals have forms for this.
 - Good Luck to Peter Grad –nominated to become the Vice President of Alberta Catholic Trustees Association.

12. School Reports

-Monsignor McCoy-Laureen Getz.

Red Day was held in September. Homelogic is up and running. Auditions are being held for musical "Singing in the Rain". A partnership with Medicine Hat College has been arranged to offer dual credits for a visual communications class at McCoy.

-St. Francis Xavier-Teresa Stark.

A corn roast was held in September. A Centennial flower bed is being done at the school. Thanks to the board for providing sprinklers for the soccer field. Centennial surprise box is being done at the school for a fundraiser. They are planning a Halloween bingo at St. Patrick's church.

- -St. Michael's (BI)- no report
- -Mother Teresa-Danny Fieldburg

New principal is Mrs.Bodnaruk. They are making a cookbook as a fund-raiser.

- -St. Louis- no report
- -St. Michael's (MH)- Barb Dolter

Their school is getting a new portable. Grade 5 soccer day was Sept.24.

- -Notre Dame Michele Plante. They have partnered with the Medicine Hat College to offer a welding class and a bike repair class. They had spirit week with a Blue/Gold Day at the Cypress Center. Parent council will hold a cheque writing campaign as a fundraiser.
- -St. Mary's- Laureen Getz. Terry Fox Run at the school raised \$530. A cheer-leading group has been started at the school. A book fair will be held Oct.24-27th. Alvin Law will be presenting at their school. They will be having a cheque writing campaign as a fund-raiser.
- -St. Patrick's- no report.

Please go to http://www.majestatreesofknowledge.ca to vote for St. Patrick's school to receive an outdoor classroom

-Ecole St. Thomas d'Aquin-Celena Gerl.

They have planted trees in their school yard. In January they will be have a bedding plant fund-raiser.

13. Old Business- None

- 14. New Business-None
 - 15. Next Meeting Date-Monday, November 28, 2011 at 7:00pm. (Wine and Cheeze event)
- 16. Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.