



AGENDA

Lethbridge School District No. 51
School Board
Special Meeting

Monday, April 15, 2019

Board Room

3:00 p.m.

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| 3:00 p.m. | 1. | Approval of Agenda |
| 3:05 p.m. | 2. | Action Items |
| | 2.1 | Approval of International Trip |
| 3:10 p.m. | 3. | Adjournment |

MEMORANDUM

April 15, 2019

To: Board of Trustees

From: Morag Asquith, Associate Superintendent,
Division of Instructional Services

Re: Approval of International Trips

Background

Winston Churchill High School (WCHS) and Chinook High School (CHS) are requesting approval to take their Robotics Team to the FIRST Robotics Competition in Houston, Texas, USA from April 16th to April 21st, 2019. Information regarding the educational benefits of the trip and the proposed itinerary are attached. The estimated cost per student is \$1,300.00. Fundraising opportunities will be available to students to offset the cost of the trip.

Recommendation

That the WCHS FIRST Robotics Competition Trip to Houston, Texas, USA from April 16th to April 21st, 2019 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.

Respectfully submitted,
Morag Asquith

WCHS/CHS FIRST Robotics Competition – Houston, Texas USA

April 16 – 21, 2019

Educational Benefits

Students will participate in the FIRST Robotics Competition. Students will be competing with the Cerberus robot they have been building since January. Students are looking forward to collaborating with other teams, specifically learning from those more experienced, and seeing what ideas have come out of the creative process of building a robot. This trip will also be a great team builder, as students from our team will need to work well together, with limited supplies and time, to problem solve and achieve a common goal. The chance to compete in the Worlds Championship is an incredible opportunity.

During/after competition students will debrief their experience, sharing what they've learned with other members of the team, as well as interested members of the community. After competition students will build excitement about the Chinook Robotics program by providing demonstrations of the robot to feeder schools, community institutions, and the media.

The cost of the trip per student is \$1300.00. The hotel accommodations are being sponsored by a local business owned by the parent of one of the Churchill team members. Students have written to all current sponsors, and are actively approaching new sponsors in the community. They have started a bottle drive, and if necessary may be able to dip into a small amount of reserve funds carried over from previous years fundraising.

Nevin Morrison, WCHS
Stefanie Desrochers, CHS

FRC Team 6841 – Houston Worlds Itinerary

Tuesday, April 16th, 2019

4pm Bus to Calgary for flight to Houston
Flight overnight to Houston

Wednesday, April 17th, 2019

7:15am Continental breakfast at the hotel. Leave hotel at 7:45
8:00am Arrive at FRC Event
8:30am – 7:00pm FRC activities, Team members are responsible for their own lunch and dinner.
7:00pm Team dinner – restaurant TBD. Team members are responsible for the cost of their own dinner.
10:00pm Return to hotel.
10:00pm Supervised time.
11:00pm Lights out.

Thursday, April 18th, 2019

7:15am Continental breakfast at the hotel. Leave hotel at 7:45
8:00am Arrive at Genesis Centre
8:30am – 7:00pm FRC activities, Team members are responsible for their own lunch and dinner.
7:00pm Team dinner – restaurant TBD. Team members are responsible for the cost of their own dinner.
10:00pm Return to hotel.
10:00pm Supervised time.
11:00pm Lights out.

Friday, April 19th, 2019

7:15am Continental breakfast at the hotel. Leave hotel at 7:45
8:00am Arrive at FRC Event
8:30am – 7:00pm FRC activities, Team members are responsible for their own lunch and dinner.

7:00pm.....Team dinner – restaurant TBD. Team members are responsible for the cost of their own dinner.
10:00pm.....Return to hotel.
10:00pm.....Supervised time.
11:00pm.....Lights out.

Saturday, April 20th, 2019

7:15am..... Continental breakfast at the hotel. Leave hotel at 7:45
8:00am.....Arrive at FRC Event
8:30am – 7:00pm.....FRC activities, Team members are responsible for their own lunch and dinner.
7:00pm.....Team dinner – restaurant TBD. Team members are responsible for the cost of their own dinner.
10:00pm.....Return to hotel.
10:00pm.....Supervised time.
11:00pm.....Lights out.

Sunday, April 21st, 2019

Flight to Calgary (YYC)
Bus to Lethbridge
Pickup at Churchill