

Board of Education
Regular Meeting of the Board
Monday, September 8, 2025 - 1:30 p.m.
Boardroom (420 22nd Street East)

AGENDA

1.0 Welcome

- 1.1 Call to Order – Chair
- 1.2 Land Acknowledgement
- 1.3 Opening Prayer – Trustee R. Boechler
- 1.4 Adoption of the Agenda
- 1.5 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

2.0 Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the June 23, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

3.0 Delegations and Special Presentations

4.0 Post Meeting Assignments

5.0 Consent Items

The Chair will ask for a motion to receive the items, which are starred, and to approve all recommendations contained therein. Prior to approving the motion, any trustee may request a star(s) be removed.

6.0 Discussion/Decision

- 6.1 Building Intercultural Resiliency Mentorship (BIRM) Program MOU between Oskāyak High School and the University of Saskatchewan (1:30-1:50 p.m.)
 - 6.1.1 BIRM DRAFT MOU
- 6.2 Financial Statements (1:50-2:00 p.m.)
 - 6.2.1 Statement of Financial Position
 - 6.2.2 Statement of Operations
 - 6.2.3 Financial Statements at June 30, 2025 – Variance Analysis
- 6.3 Grand Opening of awâsisak kâ-nîmîhtocik St. Francis School (2:00-2:10 p.m.)
- 6.4 Brighton and Aspen Ridge Joint Use Elementary Schools – Design Services (2:10-2:20 p.m.)

7.0 Correspondence

- 7.1 Expressions of Gratitude – posted on Bulletin Board
- 7.2 Reading File – copies circulated at meeting

8.0 Reports and Good News

- 8.1 Report of the Director of Education
- 8.2 Board Activity
- 8.3 Board Linkage
- 8.4 Board Linkage – Catholic School Community Councils
- 8.5 Convention Reports
- 8.6 Committee/Partnership Reports
 - Joint Operations – Trustees F. Possberg and T. Jelinski
 - Together in Faith and Action – Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and M. Christopher
 - Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation – Trustees B. Elliott and T. Jelinski
 - māmawohkamātowin Partnership (Saskatoon Tribal Council) – Chair D. Boyko and Trustees O. Fortosky and S. Zakreski-Werbicki
 - nākatēyimitowin Educational Partnership (CUMFI) – Chair D. Boyko and Trustees K. Day and R. Boechler
 - Division Committee on Reconciliation and Healing – Chair D. Boyko and Trustee K. Day
 - Columbus Bosco Homes – Trustee M. Raney
- 8.7 Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association (SCSBA) - Trustee B. Elliott
- 8.8 Saskatchewan School Boards Association (SSBA)

9.0 Committee of the Whole

10.0 Closing Prayer – Trustee R. Boechler

11.0 Adjournment

12.0 Sign of Peace



**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education for St. Paul's RCSSD #20 held in
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, June 23, 2025.**

Board Office - 420 22nd Street East – Boardroom A and B.

Present In-person: Chair D. Boyko, Vice-Chair R. Boechler, Trustees M. Christopher, K. Day, B. Elliott, O. Fortosky, T. Jelinski, F. Possberg, M. Raney, and S. Zakreski-Werbicki.

Executive In-person: Director of Education F. Rivard; Secretary to the Board, Superintendent T. Shircliff; Chief Financial Officer J. Lloyd; Superintendents K. Cardinal, L. Giocoli Clark, T. Hickey, K. Kowal, J. Vangool, S. Gessler, and Assistant Superintendent R. Martin.

Regrets: Superintendant T. Fradette

Resources: D. Kunz, Communications Consultant, K. Holmes, Manager – Financial Services

Invited Guests In-person: Victor Schwab, Deputy Provincial Auditor, Office of the Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan, Rahat Tahir, Senior Manager, Office of the Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan

Invited Guests Virtual: MNP LLP: Jarrett Walter, Auditor and Daneil Lai, Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boyko at 1:34 p.m. and began by acknowledging that we are on Treaty 6 Territory—traditional territories of First Nations including Cree, Dene, Nakota, Lakota, Dakota and Saulteaux—and homeland of the Métis Nation. We pay our respect to the First Nation and Métis ancestors of this place, and we reaffirm our relationship with one another in the spirit of Reconciliation.

The opening prayer was led by Trustee O. Fortosky

Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Moved by Trustees T. Jelinski and R. Boechler that the agenda be approved as circulated.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

- The Chair called for any declaration of conflict of interest based on the materials provided for this meeting. Trustee K. Day declared a conflict of interest related to the In-Committee presentation by the GSCS Foundation Inc., of which a family member is an employee.

- Trustees collectively discussed the conflict of interest and came to agreement with the process for this situation. Trustee K. Day remained for the GSCS Foundation presentation and then recused herself from the meeting. Trustee Day was therefore not present for the questions or discussions that occurred upon conclusion of the presentation.
- Hearing no other conflicts of interest declared, the meeting proceeded.
- Trustee Day returned to the meeting room.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Moved by Trustees O. Fortosky and M. Raney that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 9, 2025, be adopted as presented.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Discussion/Decision

6.0 Discussion/Decision

6.1 Public Request: City of Warman Presentation to the Board

- Spokesperson, Mayor Gary Philipchuk, outlined the City of Warman's position on the proposed joint-use high school application and their concerns with the provincial government's location for this new high school which is intended to serve Warman, Martensville and the surrounding community.
- Attending the meeting from Warman City Council along with the mayor were Councillor Richard Beck, Councillor Marshall Seed, and City Manager Amanda Rosenthal-Hiebert.
- The Chair thanked the City of Warman for their presentation and noted that a letter will be provided following this meeting.

Motion: Moved by Trustees B. Elliot and K. Day That the Board of Education receive the information and presentation provided on behalf of the City of Warman.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

6.2 Public Request: K. Pasloski

- Speaking as a former employee and concerned community member, K. Pasloski provided his perspective on how the Student Representative Council (SRC) funds are allocated in Saskatoon high schools and how the funds affect each school and their ability to deliver programs, based on his past experience working for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools.
- The Chair thanked the K. Pasloski for his presentation and noted that a letter will be provided following this meeting.

Motion: Moved by Trustees R. Boechler and M. Christopher That the Board of Education receive the information and presentation provided by K. Pasloski.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

6.3 2025-2026 Budget Approval

Motion: Moved by Trustees B. Elliot and F. Possberg, that the Board of Education approves the 2025-2026 Operating and Capital Budget including minor changes made after Ministry of Education's review and approval.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Motion: Moved by Trustee B. Elliot that the Board move into committee.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Motion: Moved by Trustee M. Raney that the Board move out of committee.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Motion: Moved by Trustee K. Day that the Board move into committee.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Motion: Moved by Trustee M. Raney that the Board move out of committee.

All in favour/none opposed/no abstention

CARRIED

UNANIMOUS

Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Trustee S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the meeting be adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

The closing prayer was led by Trustee O. Fortosky.

Secretary

Chair

Date of approval and signing:

6.1 Building Intercultural Resiliency Mentorship (BIRM) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)



Board Priority:

- Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- Building Relationships and Partnerships

Presented by: Superintendents T. Hickey and K. Cardinal

Background Information:

The Building Intercultural Resilience Mentorship program (BIRM) is a University of Saskatchewan initiative that connects post-secondary students from the University, Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI), and the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies (SIIT) with Indigenous high school students. BIRM is currently running programming in four (4) Saskatoon Public Schools and has connected with GSCS to expand to Oskāyak High School.

BIRM is structured as a wrap-around network of inspiration and support for the participants, through which they can develop mentor-mentee relationships that will be intercultural on many levels (e.g., education, age, race/ethnicity/culture). One of the central goals of BIRM is to create an environment of opportunity that will increase the number of Indigenous youths selecting post-secondary pathways after graduating high school.

The BIRM program is also in alignment with Saskatchewan's Provincial Education Plan (PEP) strategic initiatives and GSCS's Inspiring Success Areas of Focus, which supports First Nations, Métis, and Inuit (FNMI) education by ensuring FNMI voices are heard and felt within the system, striving for reconciliation, and developing measures to track progress and implement effective practices.

Through the Director of Education, oversight and accountability for this program will be delegated to Superintendent T. Hickey, as pertains to his portfolio leading high schools and Superintendent K. Cardinal, as pertains to her portfolio leading First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education. The program coordinator would be an Oskāyak staff member given half-time release for this work within Oskāyak's current staffing allocation and would be trained and supported by BIRM.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approves the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Saskatchewan and the Oskāyak Kitōtēminawak Council on the Building Intercultural Resilience Mentorship program (BIRM) initiative and supports the Building Intercultural Resilience Mentorship program (BIRM) to be implemented at Oskāyak High School.

6.2 Financial Statements



Board Priority:

- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Deputy Director / Chief Financial Officer, Joel Lloyd

Background Information:

I certify the following data to be accurate for the period ending June 30, 2025:

Board Policy prohibits the development of fiscal jeopardy or loss of allocation integrity further specified as five constraints:

1. Reduce or liquidate fixed or restricted assets. - No fixed assets were disposed of.
2. Cause the organization to become indebted in an amount greater than can be repaid by specified revenues. - Accounts payable and salaries payable have all been met in a timely manner by cash on hand. There have been no overdue accounts or late payments.
3. Allow cash to drop below the amount needed to settle debts in a timely manner. - Accounts payable and salaries payable have all been met in a timely manner by cash on hand. There have been no overdue accounts or late payments.
4. Allow actual allocations to deviate substantially from approved budget expenditure. - Year-to-date actual allocations of funds to outcome areas are consistent with those previously approved as acceptable ranges by the board.
5. Violates Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. - No such violation exists.

Accounts paid by cheque and electronic funds transfer for the following periods are as detailed:

May 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025

Business Account	\$ 8,515,040.85
Payroll Account	<u>17,208,792.76</u>
	\$25,723,833.61

June 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025

Business Account	\$ 8,045,981.83
Payroll Account	<u>12,593,423.52</u>
	\$19,199,263.39

It should be noted that full particulars of account payments are available for review at any time.

Financial Statements

The Statements of Financial Position and Operations have been prepared in accordance with The Education Act, 1995, using accounting principles prescribed by the Ministry of Education and are considered appropriate for Saskatchewan School Divisions.

Attachment 6.2.1	Statement of Financial Position
Attachment 6.2.2	Statement of Operations
Attachment 6.2.3	Variance Analysis

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approves the accounts paid for the periods May 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025 and June 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025;

AND

That the Board of Education receives the financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2025.

Attachment 6.2.1 Statement of Financial Position
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St. Paul's R.C.S.S.D. No. 20
Statement of Financial Position
Funds: Current Year/Previous Year
For the Period from September 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
(Amounts are in CDN)
(Includes G/L Budget Name: MB2024/25)

Description	Current Year Actual	Prior Year Actual	Current Year Prior Year
Assets			
Cash	28,655,109	21,340,878	7,314,230
Taxes Receivable	1,357,763	71,404	1,286,359
Provincial Grants Receivable	18,346,461	2,966,113	15,380,348
Other Receivables	2,414,766	1,617,438	797,328
Total Assets	50,774,099	25,995,833	24,778,266
Liabilities			
Other Payables	20,353,958	14,030,858	6,323,101
Capital Loans	20,171,046	22,231,824	-2,060,778
Accrued Employee Future Benefits	6,527,800	6,454,000	73,800
Other Liabilities	4,875,022	2,737,714	2,137,308
Capital Lease	164,758	-164,758	
Total Liabilities	51,927,827	45,619,153	6,308,674
Net Financial Assets	-1,153,728	-19,623,320	18,469,592
Non-Financial Assets			
Physical Assets	305,459,319	290,852,834	14,606,485
Prepaid Items	1,213,203	1,198,428	14,775
Total Non Financial Assets	306,672,522	292,051,262	14,621,260
Net Assets	305,518,794	272,427,941	33,090,852
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)			
Accumulated Surplus Previous Year	299,604,023	258,712,336	40,891,687
Change in Accumulated Remeasurement Gains/Losses	5,914,771	13,715,606	-7,800,835
Total Accumulated Surplus	305,518,794	272,427,941	33,090,852

Attachment 6.2.2 Statement of Operations
St. Paul's R.C.S.S.D. No. 20 GSCS Regular Board Meeting September 8, 2025
 Statement of Operations
 Variance: Current Year/Previous Year: Current Year
 For the Period from September 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
 (Amounts are in CDN)
 (Includes G/L Budget Name: MB2024/25)

Description	Current Year Actual	Budget For Period	Budget Remaining	Budget % Remaining	Current Year Prior Year Actual	Current Year Prior Year Actual
Revenue						
Property Taxation	28,933,081	49,215,772	20,282,691	-41.21	30,299,515	-1,366,433
Grants	215,381,081	206,881,312	-8,499,770	4.11	189,562,566	25,818,515
Tuition and Related Fees	1,746,989	2,333,582	586,593	-25.14	2,386,024	-639,035
School Generated Funds	4,111,076	3,565,036	-546,040	15.32	3,371,130	739,946
Complementary Services	2,704,190	2,479,192	-224,998	9.08	2,458,434	245,756
External Services	965,276	1,013,879	48,603	-4.79	706,415	258,861
Other	3,570,495	3,417,173	-153,322	4.49	3,361,285	209,209
Total Revenues	257,412,188	268,905,946	11,493,757	-4.27	232,145,368	25,266,820
Expenditures						
Governance	777,847	884,637	106,790	12.07	521,576	256,271
Administration	4,683,763	5,619,933	936,170	16.66	4,506,088	177,675
Instruction	199,522,840	195,761,380	-3,761,459	-1.92	171,348,710	28,174,130
Plant	30,691,717	36,989,695	6,297,978	17.03	27,509,464	3,182,254
Transportation	8,422,737	10,131,566	1,708,829	16.87	7,958,027	464,710
Tuition and Related Fees	22,000	182,616	160,616	87.95	119,518	-97,518
School Generated Funds	3,494,852	3,565,036	70,184	1.97	3,063,040	431,812
Complementary Services	2,003,782	2,330,248	326,466	14.01	1,708,746	295,036
External Services	961,176	1,009,356	48,180	4.77	706,175	255,001
Interest and Bank Charges	916,704	1,131,054	214,350	18.95	988,420	-71,716
Total Expenditures	251,497,417	257,605,521	6,108,104	2.37	218,429,762	33,067,655
Surplus (Deficit) for the Period						
Change in Accum. Remeas. Gains/Losses	5,914,771	11,300,424	5,385,653	-47.66	13,715,606	-7,800,835
Opening Accumulated Surplus	299,604,023		-299,604,023		258,712,336	40,891,687
Closing Accumulated Surplus	305,518,794	11,300,424	-294,218,369	2,603.60	272,427,941	33,090,852
 Physical Assets						
Opening Physical Assets	296,465,669		-296,465,669		275,335,625	21,130,044
Current Year Fixed Asset Purchases	8,993,650	9,822,767	829,117	8.44	15,517,209	-6,523,559
Total Physical Assets	305,459,319	9,822,767	-295,636,552	-3,009.71	290,852,834	14,606,485

Variance Analysis

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Attachment 6.2.3 Variance Analysis
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	Current Year Actual	Budget For Period	Budget Remaining	Budget %		Expected	
				Remaining	Remaining	Difference	Notes
Revenue							
Property Taxation	28,933,081	49,215,772	20,282,691	41.21%	16.67%	24.55%	1
Grants	215,381,081	206,881,312	-8,499,769	-4.11%	16.67%	-20.78%	1
Tuition and Related Fees	1,746,989	2,333,582	586,593	25.14%	16.67%	8.47%	2
School Generated Funds	4,111,076	3,565,036	-546,040	-15.32%	0.00%	-15.32%	3
Complementary Services	2,704,190	2,479,192	-224,998	-9.08%	0.00%	-9.08%	4
External Services	965,276	1,013,879	48,603	4.79%	0.00%	4.79%	5
Other	3,570,495	3,417,173	-153,322	-4.49%	16.67%	-21.15%	6
Total Revenues	257,412,188	268,905,946	11,493,758	4.27%			
Expenditures							
Governance	777,847	884,637	106,790	12.07%	16.67%	-4.60%	
Administration	4,683,763	5,619,933	936,170	16.66%	16.67%	-0.01%	
Instruction	199,522,840	195,761,380	-3,761,460	-1.92%	0.00%	-1.92%	
Plant	30,691,717	36,989,695	6,297,978	17.03%	16.67%	0.36%	
Transportation	8,422,737	10,131,566	1,708,829	16.87%	16.67%	0.20%	
Tuition and Related Fees	22,000	182,616	160,616	87.95%	16.67%	71.29%	7
School Generated Funds	3,494,852	3,565,036	70,184	1.97%	0.00%	1.97%	8
Complementary Services	2,003,782	2,330,248	326,466	14.01%	0.00%	14.01%	9
Interest and Bank Charges	916,704	1,131,054	214,350	18.95%	16.67%	2.28%	
Total Expenditures	251,497,418	257,605,521	6,108,103	2.37%			
Surplus (Deficit) for the Period	5,914,770	11,300,425	5,385,655				
Change in Accum. Remeas. Gains/Losses							
Opening Accumulated Surplus	299,604,023		-299,604,023				

Variance Analysis

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Closing Accumulated Surplus	305,518,793	11,300,425	-294,218,368
Opening Physical Assets	296,465,669		296,465,669
Current Year Fixed Asset Purchases	8,993,650	9,822,767	829,117
Total Physical Assets	305,459,319	9,822,767	297,294,786

Notes

1. The combined total of property taxes and grants is expected to be over budget. GSCS was awarded 27 new relocatable classrooms and 7 relocatable moves during the year that capital grant was received for, as well as operating grant for being over projection at September 30.
2. Cyber school tuition is projecting to be on budget. International student tuition revenue is under review.
3. School generated funds activity varies based on activities planned at the school level.
4. Received additional funding for new specialized classroom spaces that was not in budget.
5. Driver education funding is received on a one month delay. Projecting to be on budget.
6. Cafeteria sales and interest revenue are projecting to be over budget.
7. Tuition fees expense is not incurred evenly throughout the year.
8. School generated funds activity varies based on activities planned at the school level.
9. Expected to be on budget for the year.

6.3 Grand Opening of awâsisak kâ-nîmîhtocik St. Francis School



Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Superintendent, K. Cardinal

Background Information:

The grand opening of awâsisak kâ-nîmîhtocik St. Francis School will take place on Friday, October 3, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. at 2010 7th Street East, Saskatoon. This celebration will be a significant moment for students, families, Elders, and the wider community, honouring both Cree and Catholic traditions.

The event has been co-created with the Elders' Advisory Committee, who envisioned the day to follow the spirit of a Grand Entry, much like a pow wow, ceremonial and rooted in cultural tradition. An Emcee from Treaty 6 will guide the day, offering reflections on the meaning of each part of the celebration.

The afternoon will begin with a pipe ceremony led by Senator Roddy Stonne, whose prayers also opened the school's construction with ceremony, bringing this project full circle. Following the ceremony, guests will gather outdoors for a Grand Entry procession, with Elders walking at the end in the spirit of watching over the children.

The program will include a joint blessing by an Elder and a representative from the Diocese, remarks from partners and dignitaries, student dancers offering a blessing of the school, and a ribbon cutting. Elder Harry Lafond recommended a keepsake Cree prayer paired with a quote from St. Francis which would allow guests to take home a meaningful memento of this journey.

Invitations will be extended to stakeholders, donors, Elders, community members, and longstanding friends of the school, including former administrators and trustees. Trustees will also receive a copy of the invitation list for their review to ensure no important guests have been overlooked.

Grand Opening Agenda:

12:00 p.m. – Pipe Ceremony (Senator Roddy Stonne)
1:00 p.m. – Opening remarks
1:10 p.m. – Prayer (Elder Mary Lee and Diocese representative)
1:15 p.m. – Drumming and Grand Entry procession
1:30 p.m. – Student dancers and school blessing
1:40 p.m. – Greetings from Ministry, Elders, Diocese, Parent Advocates, STC, and GSCS
2:40 p.m. – Ribbon cutting and photo
2:50 p.m. – Cree prayer keepsake
3:00 p.m. – Concluding remarks
3:15 p.m. – Media scrum and photos

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the plans for the grand opening of awâsisak kâ-nîmîhtocik St. Francis School.

6.4 Brighton and Aspen Ridge Joint Use Elementary Schools Design Services



Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented By: Superintendent R. Martin

Background Information:

On June 20, 2025, the Ministry of Sask Builds and Procurement issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Design Services for the Joint Use Elementary Schools in the communities of Brighton and Aspen Ridge. The RFP was posted on Sask Tenders to satisfy the requirements of the New West Trade Partnership Agreement, the Canadian Free Trade Agreement, and the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement.

The RFP close date was July 18, 2025, at which time six (6) proposal responses were received.

The evaluation committee consisted of:

- Michael Stopanski, Senior Facilities Consultant – Ministry of Sask Builds;
- Camden Harkness, Procurement Business Partner – Ministry of Sask Builds;
- Tyson Robertson, Manager – Contract Services – Saskatoon Public Schools; and
- Ryan Martin, Superintendent – Facility Services, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools.

Each evaluator conducted individual evaluations on the six proposals that were received and the evaluation consensus meeting consisting of all evaluators was held on Monday July 28, 2025.

EVALUATION PROCESS:

The following weighted evaluation criteria were used in the evaluation process:

Item	Criteria	Points
1	Proposed Staffing Resources	20
2	Consultant Team	20
3	Proponent Experience and Qualifications	20
4	Local Knowledge	15
5	Proposed Project Approach	15
6	Project Schedule Delivery Approach	10
7	Financial	25
	Total Points	125

The following firms responded to the RFP:

- & Architecture and Interior Design
- Aodbt and Teeple Architects
- Kasian Architecture and Interior Design
- Kindrachuk Agrey Architects Ltd.
- Number TEN Architectural Group
- Stantec Architecture Ltd.

The evaluation process determined that the proposal from Kindrachuk Agrey Architects Ltd. scored the highest of the six proposals that were received.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approve the Contract for Design Services for the New Joint- Use Elementary Schools in Brighton and Aspen Ridge for \$13,360,532.00, inclusive of taxes.



Director's Report

September 8, 2025

Summer Success Program: This summer, in partnership with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, the United Way of Saskatoon and Area delivered the Summer Success Program in July 2025. Up to 104 children participated in a two-week summer program to ensure that their reading levels were maintained or improved over the summer months. A celebration of the program was held on July 25.

Michif Culture and Language Camp: From August 11-15, 2025, Batoche Festival Grounds were home to CUMFI's (Central Urban Métis Federation Inc.) 4th Annual Michif language camp. With the goals of promoting and revitalizing the Michif language, participants chose to learn either Heritage or Northern Michif through song, music, dance and lessons by language instructors. GSCS staff once again played an important leadership role in facilitating the camp.

Saskatoon Industry Education Council (SIEC) – Summer Youth Internship Program: The wrap-up celebration for this year's Summer Youth Internship Program took place on August 13th. Students apply to jobs in the trades with construction and manufacturing companies. There is an opportunity for high school credits to be earned over the six-week period. This year SIEC had 109 students enrolled in the program with 59 companies involved. A sincere thanks to these businesses for opening their doors to students as they learn many important skills for their future. This program is a partnership funded by the government of Saskatchewan along with support from WorkSafe Saskatchewan, Saskatoon Construction Association, Saskatoon Construction Safety Association, and the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trades Certification Commission.

Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation – Annual Share the Spirit Golf Tournament: August 18 was the annual Foundation Golf Tournament. Golfers enjoyed the tournament and the opportunity to get together to show their support for Catholic education in our community. We thank the Foundation and all their sponsors for their generosity in supporting the many activities happening at our schools thanks to their involvement. We look forward to new and exciting ventures with the Foundation this year.

New Teacher Welcome: Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools' annual gathering for our new teaching staff took place on August 22nd. The day brought our new teachers together to review the many supports that are available to help our new teachers through any challenges they may encounter. As well, foundational documents and perspectives to navigate through our online resources were reviewed. Thanks to all who were able to join the group for lunch. We look forward to getting to know our new teachers in the coming year.