

# Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Board

Monday, December 11, 2023 - 12:30 p.m. Boardroom (420 22<sup>nd</sup> Street East)

# AGENDA

### 1.0 Welcome

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

#### 2.0 Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the November 27, 2023 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 Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity
- 6.2 Improving Student Learning and Achievement: Part 2 Graduation Rates
- 6.3 Financial Statements
- 6.4 Planning for Anticipated Growth: Implementation Plan
- 6.5 Out of Province Student Learning Activities
- 6.6 St. Frances Cree Bilingual School Update
- 6.7 Board Policy Manual Review

#### 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 W. Stus and S. Zakreski-Werbicki
  - > Together in Faith and Action Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and T. Jelinski
  - Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation Trustees H. Byblow and B. Elliott
  - māmawohkamātowin Partnership (Saskatoon Tribal Council) Chair D. Boyko and Trustees D. Case and W. Stus
  - nākatēyimitowin Educational Partnership (CUMFI) Chair D. Boyko and Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and R. Boechler
  - Division Committee on Reconciliation and Healing Chair D. Boyko and Trustee T. Jelinski
- 8.7 Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association Trustee B. Elliott
- 8.8 Saskatchewan School Boards Association

#### 9.0 Committee of the Whole

#### 10.0 Closing Prayer – Trustee T. Jelinski

#### 11.0 Adjournment

12.0 Sign of Peace

GREATER SASKATOON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS	Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education for St. Paul's RCSSD #20 held in the Boardroom at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, November 27, 2023.
Present:	Chair Boyko, Vice-chair Boechler, Trustees Byblow, Elliott, Jelinski, Stus, Zakreski-Werbicki
Absent:	Trustee Case (with notification)
Also:	Director of Education Rivard Superintendent of Education Shircliff (Acting-Secretary to the Board)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boyko at 1:33 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 B. Elliott.

Adoption	Adoption of Agenda					
Motion:	Moved by Trustees W. Stus and T. Jelinski that the agenda be approved as circulated.					

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Moved by Trustees R. Boechler and S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 16, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

#### CARRIED

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Motion: Moved by Trustees W. Stus and R. Boechler that the minutes of the organizational meeting of November 6, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

#### CARRIED

#### Discussion/Decision

- 6.1 First Nations, Métis and Inuit Monitoring Report
  - Motion: Moved by Trustees B. Elliott and S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Monitoring Report.

CARRIED

- 6.2 2022-2023 Audited Financial Statements
  - Motion: Moved by Trustees T. Jelinski and R. Boechler that subject to Ministry approval and minor formatting changes, the Board of Education approves the Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2023 as presented.

#### CARRIED

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- 6.3 2022-2023 Annual Report to the Ministry
  - Motion: Moved by Trustees W. Stus and B. Elliott that the Board of Education review and approve the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools 2022-2023 Annual Report pending minor changes made after format review and approval is received from the Ministries of Education and Finance.

#### 6.4 Facilities 2022-2023 Monitoring Report

Motion: Moved by Trustees R. Boechler and S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Facilities 2022-2023 Monitoring Report.

# CARRIED

CARRIED

- 6.5 Transportation Monitoring Report
  - Motion: Moved by Trustees T. Jelinski and B. Elliott that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Transportation Monitoring Report.

#### CARRIED

- 6.6 Staff Monitoring Report
  - Motion: Moved by Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and R. Boechler that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Staffing Monitoring Report.

#### CARRIED

[Motion: Moved by Trustee W. Stus that the Board move into committee.]

#### CARRIED

[Motion: Moved by Trustee T. Jelinski that the Board move out of committee.]

#### CARRIED

#### Adjournment

Motion: Moved by Trustee R. Boechler that the meeting be adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

CARRIED

Secretary

Chair

# 6.1 Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity Monitoring Report



## Board Priority:

- Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity
- > Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- > Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Superintendent T. Hickey and Coordinator Darcie Lich

Background Information:

Goals within these Board Priorities are described as follows:

- To strengthen the Catholic dimension of our school division as we support the faith journey of each individual.
- To nurture staff members as they seek to deepen their faith so they may authentically fulfill their vocations of service and ministry in Catholic education.
- To provide shared experiences, learning opportunities and closer connections between parish, home, and school – to enrich the faith lives of students, families and all school community members.
- To be proactive, supportive, and intentional in enhancing Catholic education.
- To develop and deepen relationships with parents/caregivers, Catholic School Community Councils, the diocese and the eparchy.
- To support and nurture all of God's people who minister in Catholic education within Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools.

The following report outlines some of the work in Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools (GSCS) during the period of November 2022 through to November 2023. This area of priority has been moved forward in the following key areas:

# **Staff Formation and Evangelization**

- Ongoing development and delivery of staff retreats.
- Opening Day liturgical celebrations.
- Development and distribution of weekly staff prayer.
- Peer Faith Mentorship program.
- Provision and recommendation of faith-based resources, including periodicals, online material, mobile applications, etc.
- Subscription to FORMED.org for all GSCS staff.
- Redevelopment of OneStop site with updated resources including personal faith enrichment and mental and spiritual wellness.
- Presentations and liturgies for various occasions such as Administrator Mentorship, Principals' Fall Seminar, Administrative Forum, etc.

# **Staff Professional Development**

- Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools' Understanding Your Faith Program
- Job-embedded instructional support
- Support of Master of Religious Education (MRE) program, Indigenous Pastoral Lay Ministry Education (IPL) program

- Delivery of synchronous and asynchronous online in-services, workshops, videos, etc.
- Support for Indigenous Pastoral and Lay Leadership Program through Diocese of Saskatoon.

#### Student Learning/Programming

- Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ elementary religion program
- Catholic Studies and Études Catholiques
- Byzantine Rite resources and support
- SCSBA Revealing Christ in All We Teach resources
- Fully Alive family life education program
- Catholic HIV/AIDS Program

#### **Student Formation**

- High School Teacher Chaplaincy; Elementary Faith Formation Facilitators
- Seasonal and special occasion liturgies and prayer services
- Ongoing development of student resources in English, French, and Ukrainian
- Student retreats
- Faith permeation in environment, curriculum, assessment, instruction, wellness initiatives
- Play-based and activity-based kits and workshops (e.g. Mass Kits, Pysanky, Icon Writing)
- World Catholic Education Day, Catholic Education Week resource development

#### **Trustee and Division-Level Support**

- Creation of resources and prayers for annual Board Retreat.
- Assistance and resource development for special functions (e.g. Director Chatlain's retirement; Director Rivard's commissioning)
- Planning and facilitation of CCSTA Conference (e.g. securing keynote speakers, development of all liturgical celebrations and prayers)
- Consultation and review of Provincial Pastoral Care documents

#### Partnerships

- Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon
- Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon
- St. Thomas More College
- Ursuline Sisters of Prelate
- Community-based partners (e.g., Queen's House, Knights of Columbus, Gideons, Friendship Inn, etc.)

#### **Teams and Committees**

- Together in Faith and Action Committee
- Religion Area of Focus Committee
- Tragic Events Response Team

#### Recommendation:

# That the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity Monitoring Report.

# 6.2 Improving Student Learning and Achievement: Part 2 Graduation Rates



**Board Priority:** 

- > Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- > Building Relationships and Partnerships

Presented by: Superintendents S. Gay and T. Hickey

Background Information:

The Board of Education for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, in its declaration of Priorities and Goals, states:

Catholic education helps all children in our division develop their God-given talents as they strive to reach their full potential spiritually, academically, physically, socially, and emotionally. Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools combines academic excellence and spiritual development with support for the physical wellness of each student. A well-rounded Catholic education engenders a strong sense of belonging and identity that helps students become contributing citizens in their communities.

Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools believes a strong relationship is needed between parents, their church and their school to educate children and youth to their full potential. We are committed to working with many groups and organizations within our communities, because we all share responsibility for educating children and youth.

#### GOALS:

- To improve academic achievement for all students resulting in comparable outcomes in literacy and numeracy for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students.
- To support transitions for all students, from early learning through to high school graduation and beyond.
- To improve academic achievement for all students resulting in comparable outcomes in literacy and numeracy for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students.

This report will provide the board with information on the graduation rates from the 2022-2023 school year for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools. Information will be provided on the on-time and extended graduation rates for the division as well as information on credit completion. Actions of the Graduation Area of Focus will also be discussed.

# Recommendation:

That the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Improving Student Learning and Achievement: Part 2-Graduation Rates monitoring report.

# 6.3 Financial Statements



**Board Priority:** 

Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: CFO J. Lloyd

Background Information:

I certify the following data to be accurate for the period ending **October 31, 2023**:

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

- 1. <u>Reduce or liquidate fixed or restricted assets.</u> No fixed assets were disposed of.
- 2. <u>Cause the organization to become indebted in an amount greater than can be repaid by</u> <u>specified revenues.</u> - 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. <u>Allow cash to drop below the amount needed to settle debts in a timely manner.</u> 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. <u>Allow actual allocations to deviate substantially from approved budget expenditure.</u> Yearto-date actual allocations of funds to outcome areas are consistent with those previously approved as acceptable ranges by the board.
- 5. <u>Violates Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.</u> No such violation exists.

#### Accounts Paid

Accounts paid by cheque and electronic funds transfer for the period September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023 are as detailed:

Business Account	\$ 5,701,627.19
Payroll Account	9,986,635.24
	\$13,560,708.28

Accounts paid by cheque and electronic funds transfer for the period October 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023 are as detailed:

Business Account	\$ 6,718,294.01
Payroll Account	10,651,179.97
	\$16,960,718.27

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.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Board of Education approve the accounts paid for the period September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023 and October 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023 and receive the financial statements for the period ended October 31, 2023.

#### 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, 2023 to October 31, 2023

#### (Amounts are in CDN)

(Includes G/L Budget Name: MB2023/24)

Description	Current Year Actual	Prior Year Cu Actual	urrent Year Prior Year	
Assets				
Cash	24,097,514	27,718,080	-3,620,566	
Taxes Receivable	1,116,866	1,401,912	-285,046	
Provincial Grants Receivable	2,321,037	1,392,453	928,584	
Other Receivables	823,430	1,145,800	-322,370	
Total Assets	28,358,847	31,658,245	-3,299,398	
Liabilities				
Other Payables	14,175,468	12,398,870	1,776,599	
Capital Loans	23,552,321	25,537,573	-1,985,251	
Accrued Employee Future Benefits	6,454,000	6,326,800	127,200	
Other Liabilities	3,962,792	3,804,621	158,170	
Capital Lease	164,758	361,722	-196,965	
Total Liabilities	48,309,339	48,429,586	-120,247	
Net Financial Assets	-19,950,491	-16,771,341	-3,179,151	
Non-Financial Assets				
Physical Assets	274,956,719	269,979,135	4,977,585	
Prepaid Items	566,767	529,784	36,982	
Total Non Financial Assets	275,523,486	270,508,919	5,014,567	
Net Assets	255,572,995	253,737,578	1,835,416	
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)				
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Change in Accumulated Remeasurement Gains/Losses	200,000,004	258,550,354		
Earnings from Operations	-3,132,613	-4,812,775	1,680,163	
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Total Accumulated Surplus	255,417,741	253,737,578	1,680,163	

#### St. Paul's R.C.S.S.D. No. 20

Statement of Operations

Variance:Current Year/Previous Year:Current Year

For the Period from September 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023

#### (Amounts are in CDN)

(Includes G/L Budget Name: MB2023/24)

Description	Current Year Actual	Budget For Period Bu	udget Remaining	Budget % Remaining	Cur Prior Year Actual	rent Year Prior Year
Revenue						
Property Taxation	6,841,462	49,037,626	42,196,164	-86.05	6,694,509	146,953
Grants	27,919,859	178,827,823	150,907,964	-84.39	25,918,650	2,001,209
Tuition and Related Fees	574,763	2,233,582	1,658,819	-74.27	573,046	1,717
School Generated Funds	720,795	2,796,331	2,075,536	-74.22	-51,540	772,334
Complementary Services	383,687	2,458,434	2,074,747	-84.39	382,109	1,578
External Services	78,640	642,744	564,104	-87.76		78,640
Other	688,539	2,610,443	1,921,904	-73.62	330,653	357,886
Total Revenues	37,207,745	238,606,983	201,399,238	-84.41	33,847,428	3,360,317
Expenditures						
Governance	154,666	661,486	506,821	76.62	139,271	15,395
Administration	861,332	5,551,246	4,689,914	84.48	934,417	-73,085
Instruction	32,312,089	175,195,988	142,883,900	81.56	30,993,174	1,318,915
Plant	4,874,594	35,364,238	30,489,643	86.22	4,879,955	-5,360
Transportation	1,021,851	10,171,695	9,149,845	89.95	1,225,429	-203,578
Tuition and Related Fees	50,618	158,864	108,246	68.14	37,838	12,780
School Generated Funds	461,781	2,796,331	2,334,550	83.49	-63,513	525,295
Complementary Services	310,856	2,319,190	2,008,334	86.60	303,937	6,919
External Services	78,640	642,744	564,104	87.76		78,640
Interest and Bank Charges	213,931	1,228,685	1,014,754	82.59	209,698	4,233
Total Expenditures	40,340,358	234,090,468	193,750,110	82.77	38,660,204	1,680,154
Surplus (Deficit) for the Period	-3,132,613	4,516,515	7,649,128	-169.36	-4,812,775	1,680,163
Change in Accum. Remeas. Gains/Losses						
Opening Accumulated Surplus	258,550,354		-258,550,354		258,550,354	
Closing Accumulated Surplus	255,417,741	4,516,515	-250,901,226	5,555.20	253,737,578	1,680,163
Opening Physical Assets	275,335,625		-275,335,625		270,799,941	4,535,684
Current Year Fixed Asset Purchases	-378,906	2,294,777	2,673,683	116.51	-820,806	4,535,684 441,901
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Total Physical Assets	274,956,719	2,294,777	-272,661,942	-11,881.85	269,979,135	4,977,585

#### Variance Analysis

St. Pauls R.C.S.S.D. No. 20

Date Filter	23-09-0123-10-31
Budget Filter	MB2023/24

	Current Year Actual	Budget For Period	Budget Remaining	Budget % Remaining	Expected Budget % Remaining	Difference	Notes
Revenue							
Property Taxation	6,841,462	49,037,626	42,196,164	86.05%	83.33%	2.72%	
Grants	27,919,859	178,827,823	150,907,964	84.39%	83.33%	1.05%	
Tuition and Related Fees	574,763	2,233,582	1,658,819	74.27%	80.00%	-5.73%	1
School Generated Funds	720,795	2,796,331	2,075,536	74.22%	80.00%	-5.78%	2
Complementary Services	383,687	2,458,434	2,074,747	84.39%	80.00%	4.39%	
External Services	78,640	642,744	564,104	87.76%	80.00%	7.76%	3
Other	688,539	2,610,443	1,921,904	73.62%	83.33%	-9.71%	4
Total Revenues	37,207,745	238,606,983	201,399,238	84.41%			
Expenditures							
Governance	154,666	661,486	506,820	76.62%	83.33%	-6.71%	5
Administration	861,332	5,551,246	4,689,914	84.48%	83.33%	1.15%	
Instruction	32,312,089	175,195,988	142,883,899	81.56%	80.00%	1.56%	
Plant	4,874,594	35,364,238	30,489,644	86.22%	83.33%	2.88%	
Transportation	1,021,851	10,171,695	9,149,844	89.95%	83.33%	6.62%	6
Tuition and Related Fees	50,618	158,864	108,246	68.14%	83.33%	-15.20%	7
School Generated Funds	461,781	2,796,331	2,334,550	83.49%	80.00%	3.49%	
Complementary Services	310,856	2,319,190	2,008,334	86.60%	80.00%	6.60%	8
Interest and Bank Charges	213,931	1,228,685	1,014,754	82.59%	83.33%	-0.74%	
Total Expenditures	40,340,358	234,090,467	193,750,109	82.77%			
Surplus (Deficit) for the Period Change in Accum. Remeas. Gains/Losses	-3,132,613	4,516,516	7,649,129				
Opening Accumulated Surplus	121,433,929		-121,433,929				

#### Variance Analysis

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Closing Accumulated Surplus	118,301,316	4,516,516	-113,784,800	
Opening Physical Assets	146,803,823		-146,803,823	
Current Year Fixed Asset Purchases	-378,906	2,294,777	2,673,683	
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Total Physical Assets	146,424,917	2,294,777	-144,130,140	

#### Notes

1. Cyber school tuition is projecting to be over budget.

2. Higher proportion of school generated funds collected in high schools at the start of the school year.

3. Invitation Shared Services Initiative revenue has not been received for the year yet, nor has October driver education funding.

4. Cafeteria sales and interest revenue are projecting to be over budget.

5. SCSBA fees have been expensed for the entire school year.

6. Transportation invoices outstanding for the end of October period.

7. Tuition fees expense is not incurred evenly throughout the year.

8. Expected that complementary services will be on budget for the year.



## Board Priority:

- Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity
- > Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- > Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Superintendent L. Giocoli Clark, CFO J. Lloyd and Assistant Superintendent R. Martin

# Background Information:

Last May, after careful deliberation following a presentation by administration about future projections, utilization rates and space concerns, the Board of Education made the difficult decision to close boundaries to new out-of-area students, effective September 2023 at St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, and St. Nicholas Catholic Schools.

This school year, ongoing demand for our high-quality Catholic programming in Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools is continuing. With a year-over-year enrolment increase of more than 1,500 students, administration continues to monitor future enrolment growth in relation to the facility accommodations.

In examining enrolment trends at St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic School, it has become necessary to devise an updated plan to address the growth in this school community. The school's current utilization rate is 130%. With an in-depth analysis of the school's enrolment growth, using multi-year projections, rates could reach as high as 142% in the near future. While we will continue submit applications for relocatable classrooms from the Ministry of Education and converting the last breakout space to be used as a classroom will occur, the following solution intended to alleviate the enrolment stressor is suggested.

# Effective September 1, 2024

- Continue to apply for relocatable classrooms; convert the last breakout space while waiting for approval for relocatables classrooms; grandparent current families and close boundaries to all new students/families that reside outside of the neighbourhood. This means that the students who currently attend St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic School but do not live in Hampton Village would be permitted to continue attending St. Lorenzo Ruiz but future non-Hampton Village residing students would not. As the grandparented students graduate from St. Lorenzo Ruiz, the school would become a Hampton Village serving school only.
- Students Residing in Kensington: There are families who currently reside in Kensington and their students attend St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic School. These students would be offered the option of grandparenting and remaining at the school until the end of Grade 8. Students new to Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools who live in Kensington, would be offered bussing to Bishop Roborecki School for English education or continue the current arrangement of being bussed to École St. Gerard School for French education until a new school is approved by the Ministry and built in their neighbourhood. In the meantime, both Bishop Roborecki and École St. Gerard are able to accommodate growth at this time.

#### Next Steps:

- 1. Communication to school administrators that will be affected by this change (St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic School and Bishop Roborecki School.
- 2. Communication plan to the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic School community noting the change that will be effective September 1, 2024. This would include messaging to Catholic School Community Council, school newsletter, River of News (Edsby), public news release.

**Recommendation:** 

That the Board of Education receive the information as presented and approve the recommended plan in the Planning for Anticipated Growth: Implementation Plan.



Board Priority:

- > Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- > Building Relationships and Partnerships

Presented by: Superintendent S. Gay

Background Information:

Below is the list of the student learning activities **completed** outside of the province from April 1, 2023 through to December 30, 2023.

School:	Destination:	Purpose:	Dates:	Number of Students:
Holy Cross High School	Edmonton, AB	Band	April 17-19	145
Bethlehem High School	Edmonton, AB	Band	April 18-20	28
BJM	Edmonton, AB	Band	April 18-20	44
Holy Cross High School	Halifax, NS	Band	April 26-30	41
St. Joseph High School	Banff, AB	Band	April 29-May 2	72
St. Frances Bateman	Banff, AB	Eco-justice	May 1-5	20
St. Joseph High School	Burlington, ON	Football	Sept 7-9	40
Holy Cross High School	Edmonton, AB	Volleyball	Sept 21-24	12
St. Joseph High School	Kananaskis, AB	Outdoor Ed	Sept 22-25	14
Bethlehem High School	Lloydminster	Volleyball	Oct 27-28	10
St. Joseph High School	Edmonton, AB	Basketball	Nov 30-Dec 2	27

Below is the **pending** list of the student learning activities outside of the province from September 1, 2023 through to April, 2025.

School:	Destination:	Purpose:	Approximate Dates:	Number of Students:
Bethlehem High School	London/Paris	Easter	March 28-April 4, 2024	TBD
Holy Cross High School	NYC	Music	May 2024	TBD
All HS Japan Exchange	Japan	Exchange with Yamate	Summer 2024	40
Holy Cross High School	Ireland/Scotland	Easter	April 2025	40-50
St. Joseph High School	Italy	Easter	April 2025	TBD

**Recommendation:** 

That the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Out of Province Student Learning Activities report from April 1, 2023 to December 30, 2023.



Board Priority:

- > Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Assistant Superintendent R. Martin

Background Information:

Construction of the new St. Frances Cree Bilingual School continues to progress well. We have been blessed with a beautiful fall that has minimized weather risk to the project schedule. Completion remains scheduled for August 2025.

Although the project is currently on schedule, the board is reminded that this is subject to change due to events beyond the project team's control. The upcoming winter months may impact construction activities beyond what the schedule currently accommodates as well as unforeseen material or equipment delays.

The Ministry of Education provided a fully executed copy of the capital funding agreement (CFA) on October 30, 2023. This agreement provides the funding amounts for construction, unfixed furniture, project fees/expenses and contingency. The school division will now be reimbursed for any construction payments that have been made as well as future payments through to completion of the project.

The following summary provides an overview of construction activities completed in November with a look ahead to December:

#### **November Milestones Achieved**

- Stair 1 and 2 masonry complete.
- Gym open web steel joists (OWSJ) complete.
- SaskEnergy completed the new natural gas service installation on November 20.
- Hoarding for phase 1 south complete.
- Gym precast panels are complete and level 1 south precast complete.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> floor south concrete slab was poured on November 30.

#### **Planned Work Outstanding**

- Gym steel was scheduled to be completed by end of November. Metal decking remains outstanding.
- Phase 2 structural steel start date moved to December and is currently in progress.

#### **December Milestones Planned**

- Phase 2 structural steel.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> floor south concrete pour.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> floor south room layout with interior masonry and steel stud framing to follow.

#### **Potential Schedule Risks**

- Precast Panel shop drawing review timelines.
- Weather remains a risk to schedule as we approach the winter months.
- Structural steel installation currently 3 weeks behind schedule (2 weeks installation + 1 week delivery issues).

#### **Corrective Measures Being Implemented**

- Precast Panel shop drawing reviews continue to be treated as a high priority by all parties.
- Structural steel submittals continue to be treated as a high priority.
- Graham has assigned staff, including a journeyperson welder, to assist with the metal deck installation to maintain original structural steel completion schedule.
- Temporary hoardings will be utilized as required to minimize the impact of weather.

Site photos have been included for the board's reference as part of this report.

#### Recommendation:

That the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the St. Frances Cree Bilingual School: Construction Update.



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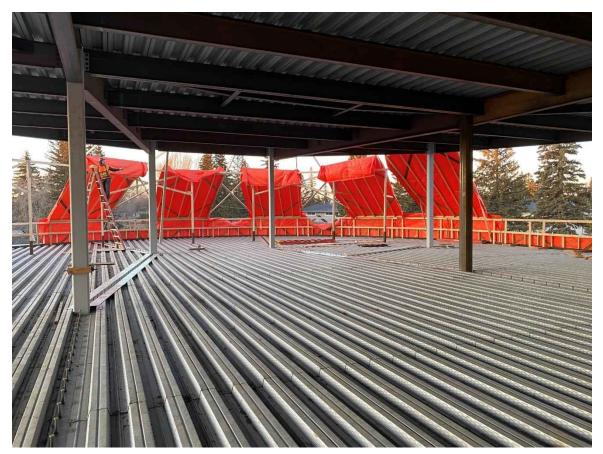


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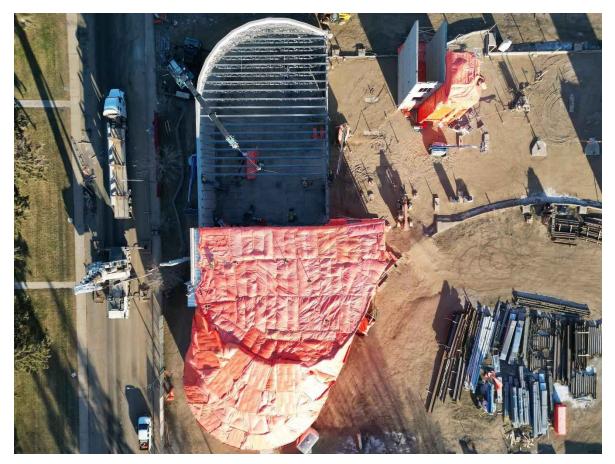
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Board Priority:

- > Celebrating and Promoting Catholic Identity
- > Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Chair D. Boyko

Background Information:

An important facet of board governance is the Board Policy Manual. Reviewing and refining the policies within this document is one of the required roles of the board. As was shared at the January 2023 board meeting, administration committed to lead the board in the review process of this document starting at the board retreat and every following board planning meeting.

Thanks to the input from the board over the last eleven months, the Board Policy Manual is attached with all of the suggested edits.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education receive the information as presented and approve the Board Policy Manual.



**Hope for Malawi:** The Hope for Malawi Foundation held its annual breakfast on December 3. It was good to hear what has been going on with the Foundation in the past year. The breakfast highlighted a new initiative "Project Starfish" that has a goal to provide electricity and internet to the schools that the Foundation has built. Several schools in our school division supported the work of the Foundation over this past year by raising awareness and funds for the work. Principal Paula Fortier from Ecole Sr. O'Brien School presented at the event regarding their work to develop relationship with students in Malawi.

**Knights of Columbus Carol Festival and TCU Place-Noon Festival of Carols:** A huge thanks to Coordinator Darcie Lich for her leadership and hard work to make both of these productions a great success. This is a very large and complex endeavour, and she has done a masterful job in bringing it together. Thank you to the staff and students for sharing of their time and talents with all of us. What a gift!

**Advent Celebrations:** Advent liturgies and celebrations are taking place in all of our schools. Special thanks to the staff and students for their hard work in preparing for these important gatherings as we mark this special season of waiting and preparation for the birth of Christ.

**Care & Share Holiday Lunch Program:** Care & Share is a long-standing community group that has supported specifically the work in our community schools for decades. As mentioned in the previous report, they again hosted the Care & Share Holiday Christmas Lunch Program, where they bring a Christmas supper-style lunch to each community school. This year between December 5 to 14, they will have provided over 2,200 meals in seven of our community schools. In these two weeks, they will have served almost 6,000 dinners in 18 community schools within Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools and Saskatoon Public Schools. We want to thank Care & Share along with all their business partners and school staff who helped prepare and serve the meals!