



**Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board**  
**Monday, March 15, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

**1.0 Welcome.**

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- 1.1 Call to Order – Chair D. Boyko
  - 1.2 Land Acknowledgement
  - 1.3 Opening Prayer – Trustee T. Jelinski
  - 1.4 Adoption of the Agenda
  - 1.5 Declaration of Conflict of Interest
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**2.0 Approval of Minutes.**

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**3.0 Delegations and Special Presentations**

- University of Saskatchewan: College of Nursing and College of Pharmacy  
REACH Team
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**4.0 Post Meeting Assignments**

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**5.0 Consent Items**

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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.

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**6.0 Discussion/Decision**

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- 6.1 Pandemic Response Update
  - 6.2 Prime Consultant Services: NRFP 7905 - St. Frances Replacement School Project
  - 6.3 Transportation Monitoring Report
  - 6.4 Modular Classroom Construction and Relocation 2021
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## **7.0 Correspondence**

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- 7.1 Expressions of Gratitude – posted on Bulletin Board
  - 7.2 Reading File – copies circulated at meeting
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## **8.0 Reports and Good News**

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- 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 D. Berscheid and W. Stus
    - Together in Faith and Action – Trustees T. Jelinski and H. Byblow
    - Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation – Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and B. Elliott
    - māmawohkamātowin/Saskatoon Tribal Council – Chair D. Boyko, Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and D. Case
    - CUMFI and GSCS Educational Alliance – Chair D. Boyko, Trustees J. Carriere and W. Stus
  - 8.7 Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association – Trustee T. Jelinski
  - 8.8 Saskatchewan School Boards Association
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## **9.0 Committee of the Whole**

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

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## **11.0 Adjournment**

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## **12.0 Sign of Peace**

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**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education for St. Paul's RCSSD #20 held in the Boardroom/Microsoft Teams at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021.**

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**Present:** Chair Boyko, Vice-chair Boechler, Trustees Berscheid (Phone in), Byblow (Teams), Carriere, Case (Teams), Elliott (Teams), Jelinski (Teams), Stus (Teams), Zakreski-Werbicki

**Also:** Director of Education Chatlain  
Superintendent of Education Bazylak (Secretary to the Board)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boyko at 12:00 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 D. Case.

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### **Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion:** Moved by Trustees D. Berscheid and S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

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### **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Moved by Trustees R. Boechler and W. Stus that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

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### **Discussion/Decision**

#### **6.1 OurSCHOOL Survey**

**Motion:** Moved by Trustees T. Jelinski and J. Carriere that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the OurSCHOOL Survey Results report.

**CARRIED**

#### **6.2 Student Health and Fitness Monitoring Report**

**Motion:** Moved by Trustees J. Carriere and D. Case that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Student Health and Fitness Monitoring Report.

**CARRIED**

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### 6.3 Financial Statements

Motion: Moved by Trustees D. Case and B. Elliott that the Board of Education approve the accounts paid for the period November 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020 and December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and receive the financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020.

**CARRIED**

### 6.4 Pandemic Response Update

Motion: Moved by Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and H. Byblow that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Pandemic Response Update.

**CARRIED**

### 6.5 2021-2022 Designation of French Immersion Programming

Motion: Moved by Trustees R. Boechler and S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the 2021-2022 Designation of French Immersion Programming.

**CARRIED**

### 6.6 Major Capital Requests

Motion: Moved by Trustees D. Berscheid and W. Stus that the Board of Education approve a new Joint Use Catholic high school in the Holmwood Suburban Centre, a new Catholic middle/high school within the Martensville/Warman region of Corman Park and a new Joint Use Catholic elementary school in Brighton as the priority projects for our Major Capital Plan for the 2022-2023 submission to the Ministry of Education.

**CARRIED**

### 6.7 2020-2021 Education Leave Priorities

Motion: Moved by Trustees B. Elliott and R. Boechler that the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the 2021 Education Leave Priorities report.

**CARRIED**

### 6.8 2021-2022 Academic School Year Approval

Motion: Moved by Trustees S. Zakreski-Werbicki and D. Berscheid that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Academic School Year Calendar as presented.

**CARRIED**

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[Motion: Moved by Trustee R. Boechler that the Board move into committee.]

**CARRIED**

[Motion: Moved by Trustee H. Byblow that the Board move out of committee.]

**CARRIED**

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**Adjournment**

Motion: Moved by Trustee S. Zakreski-Werbicki that the meeting be adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Secretary**

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**Chair**

## 6.1 Pandemic Response Update

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### Board Priority:

- Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Director G. Chatlain and Executive Council

### Background Information:

The COVID-19 pandemic continues at a high level in our communities and as such, the provincial restrictions that were set to finish on February 19 have been extended for another month. The following are comments related to various on-going or near-term issues we are addressing as the year moves along:

- At this time, there has been a slow overall decrease in daily cases... but very slight. The region of Saskatoon has seen a more significant drop from the high levels of recent weeks. Although, the level is quite variable from day to day.
- The vaccine roll-out is being hampered by supply. Vaccine supply is a federal responsibility.
- Rapid tests: preliminary conversations are happening regarding how these tests might be useful in our setting. These tests are suitable for youth. Discussions are on-going and we hope to know more soon.
- Vaccination for youth: a reminder that currently no vaccine is authorized for use in youth below age 16 and it will be a long while before our age-based vaccination plan reaches people below 20. It is anticipated that as more research is done, existing and new vaccines will be made available to younger children and youth. The timeline for this is unknown.
- Graduation guidelines: communication remains consistent from the CMHO regarding the need to plan for virtual graduations. Communication has gone out through all of our schools regarding graduation planning.
- Our high schools with enrolment of greater than 600 remain at level 3. Both the CMHO and our local MHO concur that with the current case rate, it is best to remain at level 3 for the time being. This will continue to be re-evaluated as schools are anxious to get back to level 2.
- We have not yet received the expected PPE supplies from the Ministry procurement. We anticipate those anytime.

The funding application for the third portion of the targeted pandemic funds closed on March 1. Administration projected out these costs to finish off the school year and the pandemic funding approved in past phases will offset any additional costs in these areas that will be above the normal budgetary figures.

In conclusion, we have some time yet with the current level of restrictions, although there are indications that restrictions may be changing. There remains much concern relative to the number of cases but also the potential emergence of one (or more) of the more communicable strains that could send us into another wave. However, that can be mitigated by vaccine arrivals and other mitigation efforts. So, this next month will again be a time of monitoring and adjusting.

Recommendation:

***That the Board of Education receive the information as presented in the Pandemic Response Update: March 15, 2021 report.***

## 6.2 Prime Consultant Services – NRFP 7905 St. Frances Replacement School Project

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### Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: CFO J. Lloyd and Superintendents G. Martell and F. Rivard

### Background Information:

During the last two months, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools' administration, Saskatoon Tribal Council (STC), the Project Management Team, the Ministry of Education, SaskBuilds and our project manager (Colliers Project Leaders) have been working on selecting a prime consultant for the St. Frances Cree Bilingual School capital project. This process has been a part of the provincial Negotiated Request for Proposals (NRFP) for all twelve educational capital projects in Saskatchewan that were announced last year.

A team made up of a representative from STC, the Ministry of Education, Colliers, and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools evaluated six proposals. The evaluation was based on a provincially determined rubric that all twelve capital projects used.

The results of the interview scoring, financial proposal, and the technical evaluations were combined, and the top ranked proponent was submitted to the Ministry of Education. The proposal that ranked the highest was the team of Kindrachuk Agrey Architecture and TAW Architecture (Wanda Dalla Costa). This consultant team is a collaboration between Kindrachuk Agrey Architecture as Prime Architect and TAW Architecture as Indigenous Design Lead.

### Recommendation:

***That the Board of Education enter into a contract with Kindrachuk Agrey Architecture for the detailed design and contract management of St. Frances Cree Bilingual School, pending Ministry of Education approval.***



## 6.3 Transportation Monitoring Report

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Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: CFO J. Lloyd

Background Information:

Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools (GSCS) offers transportation services to 4,419 students daily. Rural students who attend a GSCS school in the town of Biggar, and the cities of Humboldt, Warman, and Martensville are jointly transported with the public school divisions in each of the respective areas.

The following summary is the transportation services provided to students who attend a school located in Saskatoon and one immersion bus to École Holy Mary Catholic School:

### 1. First Canada ULC Transportation Statistics as of Feb 28, 2021

- ❖ Total Students Transported (registered) – 3,028
- ❖ In-Town Students Transported – 2,860
- ❖ Transportation Routes – 110
- ❖ Average Age of Bus Fleet – 10.8 Years
- ❖ Capacity Utilized On Bus (Average) – 62.6%
- ❖ Average One-Way Ride Time By Route – 21 minutes
- ❖ Longest One-Way Ride Time By Route – 67 minutes (Saskatoon French)

### 2. Hertz Northern Bus Transportation Statistics as of Feb 28, 2021

- ❖ Total Students Transported (registered) -1,391
- ❖ In-Town Students Transported – 1,373
- ❖ Transportation routes – 42
- ❖ Average Age of Bus Fleet – 5 Years
- ❖ Capacity Utilized On Bus (Average) – 62.5%
- ❖ Average One-Way Ride Time By Route –20 minutes
- ❖ Longest One-Way Ride Time By Route – 60 minutes

### COVID Update

Our bus drivers continue to do a remarkable job supporting the pandemic efforts by sanitizing buses, enforcing masking protocols, and maintaining accurate seating plans.

Recommendation:

***That the Board of Education receive the information as presented and approve the Transportation Monitoring Report.***

## 6.4 Modular Classroom Construction and Relocation 2021



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### Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: CFO J. Lloyd and Superintendent F. Rivard

### Background Information:

On February 16, 2021, Edwards Edwards McEwen Architects, in partnership with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools issued three (3) Requests for Tenders (RFT). Two tenders for the construction of modular classrooms for the following locations:

- Holy Family Catholic School – Two (2) new modular classrooms with associated corridors and stairwells.
- St. Joseph High School – Two (2) new modular classrooms with associated corridors and stairwells.

One tender was issued for a modular relocation from Pope John Paul II School to Holy Cross High School.

These RFT's were posted on SaskTenders to satisfy the requirements of the New West Trade Partnership Agreement and the Canadian Free Trade Agreement. The RFT close date for the Holy Family Project was March 3, 2021 at which time Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools received four tender responses. The RFT close date for the St. Joseph tender was March 4, 2021 at which time Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools received three tender responses. The RFT close date for the Modular Relocation tender was March 4, 2021, at which time Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools received two tender responses.

For the Holy Family Catholic School project, the tender responses ranged from \$654,843.00 to \$703,711.59 plus PST and GST.

For the St. Joseph High School project, the tender responses ranged from \$651,659.00 to \$709,000 plus PST and GST.

For the Modular Relocation project, the tender responses ranged from \$122,440.00 to \$131,263.72 plus PST and GST.

Carmont Construction Ltd. was awarded all three (3) projects, based on the lowest tender price.

### Recommendation:

***That the Board of Education award the tenders for modular construction to Carmont Construction Ltd. for the tendered price of \$654,843 plus applicable taxes for Holy Family Catholic School, and \$651,659 plus applicable taxes for St. Joseph High School.***

***That the Board of Education award the tender for the modular relocation to Holy Cross High School to Carmont Construction Ltd. for the tendered price of \$122,440 plus applicable taxes.***

**Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation:**

Our Foundation has embarked upon a process to renew their strategic plan and overall focus for their work. They have engaged an outside facilitator to help with the process. Chair Boyko and I have met with Foundation leadership a few times lately to keep abreast of the work and help answer any questions they have. We look forward to the revised plan and how the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation and division can work closely together to support the needs of our communities.

**Provincial Education Plan – 1-Year Plan Development:**

Work continues on the development of areas for target in the education sector next year. A feedback process is under way to provide the Ministry with feedback on draft plans.

**Safe, Positive Schools:**

This principal-led group in the division continues to work diligently to help support our schools. One unique aspect of their support this year was to focus on our school-based leaders during Pink Shirt Day. Our school-based leaders have been shouldering a significant load this year and so the committee sought to provide them with an opportunity for support through special presentations and opportunities to share and learn. By all accounts, this was well received. Special thanks to the committee and Superintendent J. Vangool for your efforts in this regard.

**Lent 2021:**

While the pandemic and associated responses continue to dominate our minds and work, the season of Lent is well under way. Schools and parishes continue to strive to find ways to support our observances and preparations for the great feast of Easter. Challenging though this is, schools and parishes are finding ways to pray and prepare. Some of our usual process around service and almsgiving for example, need to look different; however, schools are finding ways. We thank them for their creativity in the face of these many challenges.