



ST. PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC
SEPARATE SCHOOL DIVISION No. 20

TREASURER'S REPORT
ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS
Twelve Month Period Ending August 31, 2011

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GREATER SASKATOON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INTRODUCTION

I am pleased to present the Audited Financial Statement on the financial operations of the school division for the fiscal period ended August 31, 2011 and to comment on the overall financial position of Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools.

The provincial government now determines the rate in mills to be levied for public school divisions by setting province-wide tax rates for each of the three major property classes – residential, commercial and agricultural. Minority faith school boards can still set different tax rates, as is their constitutional right, but if they choose to set a higher rate, any increased revenue will be subtracted from the provincial grant. If the rate is lower, the government will assume the board's funding requirements have decreased and it will adjust its grant accordingly.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments, as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA).

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they are earned and measurable; expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of the receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay. Expenses also include the amortization of tangible capital assets.

The budget approved by the Board of Education was developed to support provision of information for the provincial funding model for school divisions and is used to manage program spending within the guidelines of the funding model. Given differences between the funding model and generally accepted accounting principles established by PSAB, the budget figures presented have been adjusted to conform to the basis of accounting used to prepare the consolidated financial statements.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The school division ended the year with a consolidated surplus of \$8,271,436 which was realized on revenues of \$151,617,102 and expenditures of \$143,345,666.

Actual revenue was under budgeted revenue by \$18,345,636. The major factors contributing to the overall budget variance were in decreases in department grants of \$17,169,491, tax revenue of \$1,840,062, and tuition and related fees of \$269,820, with increases in other revenue of \$490,735, complementary services of \$332,032 school based funds of \$56,747, and external services of \$54,223.

Actual expenditure was over budgeted expenditure by \$2,940,001. The major factors contributing to the overall budget variance were in increases in plant operations and maintenance of \$2,384,591, instruction of \$442,027, transportation of \$164,916, complementary services of \$158,444, administration of \$95,881, external services of \$47,747, and tuition and related fees of \$22,207, with decreases in school based funds of \$189,243 interest and bank charges of \$181,841, and governance of \$4,728.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2011 be approved as presented.

OPERATING REVENUE

■ Property Taxation

Total tax revenue was under budget by \$1,840,062. The variance occurred as a result of the application of the provincial mill rate and property reassessment less discounts, cancellations and appeals.

■ Grants

Grants were under budget by \$17,169,491. The main reasons for the variance were in the decrease in capital grants of \$19,079,549 and increase in operating grants of \$1,910,058.

■ External Services Revenue

External Services revenue was over budget by \$54,223. The main reason for the variance was the increase of other grant revenue of \$111,863, other revenue and reimbursements of \$11,251, and decrease in food sales and rentals of \$68,891.

■ School-Based Funds Revenue

School based funds revenue was over budget by \$56,747. The main reason for the variance was in the level of revenue generated through school based activities.

■ Complementary Services Revenue

Complementary services revenue was over budget by \$332,032. The main reason for the variance was in additional grants approved for educational programs throughout the year.

■ Tuition Fees and Other Revenue

Tuition fee revenue was under budget by \$269,820. The main reason for the variance was the change in the provincial funding formula resulting in the redundancy of existing tuition agreements

■ Other Revenue

Other fee revenue was over budget by \$490,735. The main reason for the variance was the increase in reimbursements of \$844,327, materials \$3,031, rentals of \$33,774, and decrease in interest and dividends \$266,866, and other revenue \$123,531.

OPERATING EXPENDITURE

■ Governance

Governance expenditure was under budget by \$4,728 as a result of the decrease in convention expense of \$19,975, increase in other governance expense of \$13,355, and board members indemnity of \$1,892.

■ Administration

Total administration expenditure was over budget by \$95,881. The main factors contributing to the variance resulted from the increase in supplies and services of \$54,337, salaries and benefits of \$42,080, building operating expense of \$3,900, amortization of \$1,567, travel of \$1,558, and decrease in non-capital equipment of \$4,842, communication expense of \$1,860, and professional development of \$859.

■ Instructional Services

Total instructional services expenditure was over budget by \$442,027 as a result of the increase in program support salaries and benefits of \$1,066,755, and instructional aids of \$184,125, and decrease in professional development of \$389,569, instructional salaries and benefits of \$138,989 non-capital equipment of \$130,218 amortization of \$56,750, supplies and services of \$48,379, student related expense of \$23,665, travel of \$19,453, and communication of \$1,830.

■ Plant Operations And Maintenance

Total expenditure for all items in this category was over budget by \$2,384,591 as a result of the increase in building operating expense of \$2,588,705, travel of \$61,311, amortization of \$34,079, supplies and services of \$17,402, and decrease in plant salaries and benefits of \$207,015, non-capital equipment of \$106,357, and professional development of \$3,534.

■ Pupil Transportation

This category of expenditure was over budget by \$164,916. The main factor causing the variance was the increase in contracted transportation of \$168,130 and decrease in salaries and benefits of \$3,214.

■ Tuition And Related Expense

Total expenditure was over budget by \$22,207. The main reason for the variance was the change in the provincial funding formula resulting in the redundancy of existing tuition agreements.

■ Complementary Services

Total expenditure was over budget by \$158,444. The main reason for the variance was as a result of the increase in salaries and benefits of \$129,977, student related expense of \$48,397, supplies and services of \$12,306, amortization of \$2,410, travel of \$482, and decrease in instructional aids of \$30,465, and professional development of \$4,663.

■ External Services

Total expenditure was over budget by \$47,747. The main reason for the variance was as a result of the increase in contracted transportation \$57,835, amortization of \$57,246, student related expense \$52,558, travel of \$3,625, and communications of \$1,094, and decrease in salaries and benefits of \$36,343, instructional aids of \$28,710, supplies and services of \$23,669, professional development of \$14,309, non-capital equipment of \$13,639, and building operating expense of \$7,941.

■ School-Based Funds

Total expenditure was under budget by \$189,243. The main reason for the variance was in the level of fundraising expense generated through school-based activities.

■ Interest And Bank Charges

This category of expenditure was under budget by \$181,841. The main factor causing the variance was the increase in current interest and bank charges.

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