

GREATER SASKATOON CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD

Monday, August 24, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.
Board Room

AGENDA

1. Call to Order - D. Boyko
2. Opening Prayer - Trustee Risling
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Approval of the Minutes of the June 22, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Board
5. Delegations and Special Presentations
6. Post Meeting Assignments
7. 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.

8. Discussion/Decision
 - ★ 8.1 Accounts Paid May 1 - May 31, 2009 and June 1 - June 30, 2009 and Financial Statements for Periods Ended May 31, 2009 and June 30, 2009
 - 8.2 Humboldt Collegiate Institute - Final Design
 - 8.3 Humboldt Collegiate Institute - Land Purchase Agreement
 - 8.4 Tender of Annual Audit Services
 - 8.5 Approval of Operating Budget 2009 - 2010
 - 8.6 Continuous Agenda of the Board
 - 8.7 Catholic School Community Councils: Board Liaison

- 8.8 Julian Paslawski Meritorious Award Nomination
- 8.9 Opening Day Institute 2009
- 9. Correspondence
 - 9.1 Copies Enclosed
 - . Expressions of Gratitude - posted on Bulletin Board
 - 9.2 Reading File
- 10. Reports and Good News
 - 10.1 Report of the Director of Education
 - 10.2 Board Activity
 - 10.3 Board Linkage
 - 10.4 Convention Reports
 - 10.5 Joint Operations Committee Report - Trustees Berscheid and Stus
 - 10.6 Catholic Faith Committee Report - Trustee Lambert
 - 10.7 Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association - Trustee Fortosky
 - 10.8 Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation - Trustees Lambert and Risling
 - 10.9 Saskatchewan School Boards Association
- 11. Committee of the Whole
- 12. Closing Prayer -Trustee Risling
- 13. Adjournment and Sign of Peace

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ST. PAUL'S R.C.S.S.D. #20 HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM AT 7:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2009

PRESENT: Chair Boyko, Trustees Berscheid, Carriere, Carruthers, Fortosky, Lambert, Risling, Stus, Wesolowski

ALSO: Director of Education Hanson
Superintendent of Administrative Services Dr. Lloyd
Superintendents of Education Bitz, Chatlain, Martell, Weninger
Assistant Superintendent of Education Coffin
Communications Consultant Hoffman
Assistant Secretary to the Board Stone

ABSENT WITH PERMISSION:
Trustee Boechler

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boyko at 7:00 p.m.

The opening prayer was led by Trustee Lambert.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Trustees Risling and Lambert that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Moved by Trustees Berscheid and Carruthers that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of June 1, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

D. Hall, from YAS Basketball Saskatchewan, spoke to the Board requesting the use of the gym at Bethlehem Catholic High School.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion: Moved by Trustees Lambert and Fortosky that the following consent agenda item be received and recommendations be approved as presented:

- . Accounts Paid April 1 - April 30, 2009 and Financial Statements for Period Ended April 30, 2009

CARRIED

8. Discussion/Decision

8.2 Fall Election

Motion: Moved by Trustees Berscheid and Risling that

Be it resolved that the Returning Officer for the October 28, 2009 School Board Election pertaining to Subdivision 1, Subdivision 2 and Subdivision 3 for the St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 of Saskatchewan be Ronald W. Walter; in accordance with section 28 of the Local Government Election Act.

Be it resolved that the Returning Officer be authorized to make the necessary decisions required to conduct the election in accordance with section 28 of the Local Government Election Act.

Be it resolved that the Polling Stations for Subdivision 1, Subdivision 2 and Subdivision 3 for the October 28, 2009 School Board Election pertaining to St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 of Saskatchewan be accepted as set out in Schedule "A" attached; and in accordance with Section 17 of the Local Government Election Act.

CARRIED

8.3 Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits

Motion: Moved by Trustees Fortosky and Stus that that the Board of Education approve the following amendments to the Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits as outlined.

Amendment A - Additional Clause 10.1

- 10.1 A deposit submitted by a candidate for a member of the Board pursuant to section 46.1 of The Local Government Election Act shall not be returned to the candidate unless the candidate and the candidate's business manager have complied with the provisions of this Bylaw.

Amendment B - Revision to Schedule A

3. That I intend to use the surplus as follows:
Personal Use
Charitable Donation - Specify:
Other - Specify:
N/A

CARRIED

- 8.4 Blairmore Operating Agreement

Motion: Moved by Trustees Risling and Lambert that the Board of Education approve the Blairmore Integrated Facility Operations Agreement as presented.

CARRIED

- 8.5 Saskatchewan Educational Technology Association (SETA)

Motion: Moved by Trustees Berscheid and Lambert that the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Board of Education join Saskatchewan Corporation No. 101143860 to be named the Saskatchewan Educational Technology Association Inc. as of September 1, 2009.

CARRIED

Motion: Moved by Trustees Carriere and Carruthers that the Director of Education, or another employee of the Board of Education named by the Director of Education, be the Representative Delegate of the Board of Education to the Saskatchewan Educational Technology Association Inc.

CARRIED

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

CARRIED

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

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Trustee Lambert that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Secretary

Chair

Unapproved



8. Discussion/Decision

8.1 Accounts Paid - May 1 - May 31, 2009

Accounts paid by cheque and electronic funds transfer for the period May 1 - May 31, 2009 are as detailed:

Operating Account	\$ 5,630,520.63
US Account	17,597.37
Payroll Account	<u>6,427,793.81</u>
	\$12,075,911.81

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

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

Accounts paid by cheque and electronic funds transfer for the period June 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009 are as detailed:

Operating Account	\$ 7,153,672.17
US Account	3,569.09
Payroll Account	<u>6,575,555.60</u>
	\$ 13,732,796.86

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approve the accounts paid for the period May 1, 2009 to May 31, 2009 and June 1, 2009 - June 30, 2009 and receive the financial statements for the periods ended May 31, 2009 and June 30, 2009.

St. Paul's R.C.S.S.D. No. 20
Statement of Financial Position

For the Period from September 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Other Funds	Current Period Total	Prior Period Total
Financial Assets					
Cash	3,699,445			3,699,445	7,400,653
Short Term Investments			56,100	56,100	56,100
Taxes Receivable	7,022,028			7,022,028	5,745,125
Provincial Grants Receivable		961,676		961,676	
Other Recievables	1,809,454		1,513	1,810,967	612,666
Prepaid Items	533,936			533,936	503,979
Inventories					
Long Term Investments					
Other Assets					
Interfund Debt Receivable			10,555,613	10,555,613	8,687,868
Total Financial Assets	13,064,863	961,676	10,613,226	24,639,765	23,006,391
Liabilities					
Bank Indebtedness					
Provincial Grant Overpayment	331,273			331,273	
Other Payables	6,803,096			6,803,096	6,075,850
Short Term Loans					
Debentures					
Capital Loans		7,918,000		7,918,000	8,780,000
Other Long Term Debt					
Other Liabilities	1,015,159			1,015,159	274,617
Interfund Debt Payable	7,927,437	2,628,175		10,555,612	8,687,868
Total Liabilities	16,076,966	10,546,175		26,623,141	23,818,334
Net Financial Assets	-3,012,103	-9,584,499	10,613,226	-1,983,376	-811,943
Physical Assets		148,858,827		148,858,827	144,339,657
Net Assets	-3,012,103	139,274,328	10,613,226	146,875,451	143,527,714
Equity in Physical Assets		140,290,826		140,290,826	134,933,417
Fund Balances	-3,012,103	-1,016,498	10,613,226	6,584,625	8,594,297
School Position	-3,012,103	139,274,328	10,613,226	146,875,451	143,527,714

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Statement of Financial Position

For the Period from September 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Other Funds	Current Period Total	Prior Period Total
Financial Assets					
Cash	11,925,202			11,925,202	2,657,984
Short Term Investments			56,100	56,100	56,100
Taxes Receivable					9,890,963
Provincial Grants Receivable		961,676		961,676	
Other Receivables	1,854,744		1,513	1,856,257	1,664,038
Prepaid Items	481,772			481,772	463,573
Inventories					
Long Term Investments					
Other Assets					
Interfund Debt Receivable			10,555,613	10,555,613	8,687,868
Total Financial Assets	14,261,717	961,676	10,613,226	25,836,620	23,420,526
Liabilities					
Bank Indebtedness					
Provincial Grant Overpayment	331,273			331,273	
Other Payables	10,907,971			10,907,971	6,230,657
Short Term Loans					
Debentures					
Capital Loans		7,918,000		7,918,000	8,780,000
Other Long Term Debt					
Other Liabilities	1,023,328			1,023,328	274,617
Interfund Debt Payable	7,927,437	2,628,175		10,555,612	8,687,868
Total Liabilities	20,190,009	10,546,175		30,736,184	23,973,141
Net Financial Assets	-5,928,292	-9,584,499	10,613,226	-4,899,565	-552,615
Physical Assets		148,858,827		148,858,827	144,339,657
Net Assets	-5,928,292	139,274,328	10,613,226	143,959,262	143,787,041
Equity in Physical Assets		140,290,826		140,290,826	134,933,417
Fund Balances	-5,928,792	-1,016,498	10,613,726	3,668,436	8,853,625
School Position	-5,928,792	139,274,328	10,613,726	143,959,262	143,787,041

St. Paul's R.C.S.S.D. No. 20
Statement of Financial Activities and Fund Balances

For the Period from September 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Other Funds	Current Pd Consolidated	Current Pd Budget	Budget Remaining
Revenue						
Property Taxation	37,512,312			37,512,312	51,397,540	13,885,228
Grants	69,777,749	14,464		69,792,213	73,486,777	3,694,563
Tuition and Related Fees	897,731			897,731	1,345,969	448,238
School Based	3,907,637			3,907,637	3,347,190	-560,447
Other	658,691		49,128	707,819	577,319	-130,500
Complementary Services	2,728,863			2,728,863	2,453,803	-275,060
External Services	4,534,762			4,534,762	4,457,427	-77,335
Total Revenues	120,017,746	14,464	49,128	120,081,338	137,066,025	16,984,687
Expenditures						
Governance	529,499			529,499	728,900	199,402
Administration	1,109,777		810,978	1,920,755	1,365,806	-554,949
Instruction	99,170,632	131,511		99,302,143	97,004,370	-2,297,773
Plant	10,526,148	2,532,131		13,058,279	26,843,807	13,785,528
Transportation	3,582,507			3,582,507	3,374,055	-208,452
Tuition and Related Fees	5,686			5,686	228,145	222,459
School Based	3,546,557			3,546,557	3,314,777	-231,780
Interest and Bank Charges	6,188	211,295		217,483	509,436	291,953
Complementary Services	1,263,153			1,263,153	3,375,839	2,112,686
External Services	4,564,796	44,024		4,608,819	4,630,134	21,314
Total Expenditures	124,304,943	2,918,960	810,978	128,034,881	141,375,269	13,340,388
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenditure	-4,287,197	-2,904,496	-761,850	-7,953,543	-4,309,244	3,644,299
Interfund Transfers to (from)						
for Capital Expenditures	-1,887,997	1,887,997			5,204,480	5,204,480
for Debt Repayment						
for Reserves						
for Trust Funds	-762,350		762,350		-23,236	-23,236
Excess (Deficiency) after Interfund Transfers	-6,937,544	-1,016,499	500	-7,953,543	872,000	8,825,543
Long Term Capital Debt Issued						
Long Term Capital Debt Repaid					-872,000	-872,000
Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	-6,937,544	-1,016,499	500	-7,953,543	0	7,953,543
Opening Fund Balances	1,008,752		10,613,226	11,621,979		-11,621,979
Closing Fund Balances	-5,928,792	-1,016,499	10,613,726	3,668,435	0	-3,668,435

8.2 Humboldt Collegiate Institute - Final Design

Board Priority:

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

Presented By: Director B. Hanson, Superintendents B. Bitz and D. Lloyd

Background Information:

At the August 7, 2009 meeting of the Humboldt Landowners Committee the final design colors, site parking and access plan and a revised construction schedule were reviewed in detail with the committee. Of the site parking options presented and appended to this report the consensus of the Committee was to revise Option 4 to include bus parking and parent parking in reverse order.

We have asked the Architect to review with the Board of Education the final design colors and finishes at the August 24, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Board.

The final construction schedule and revised site plan will also be reviewed with the Board of Education.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education receive the report as information.

Humboldt Collegiate Institute, Carlton Trail Regional College and Humboldt Uniplex Addition

Project #08.052

April 24, 2009 (revised August 5, 2009)

Project Schedule Target Completion Dates:

1. Functional Programming Completion Completed
 - . Approval and agreement on the scope, requirements, characteristics and budget of the project
2. Schematic Design Completion Completed
 - . Approval of schematic plans which illustrate the scale and character of the project and how the parts functionally relate to each other
 - . Approval of Construction Budget based on above information
3. Preliminary Design Completion Completed
 - . Approval of preliminary documents which fix and describe the size and character of the entire project as to the architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical systems and materials to be used
 - . Approval of updated Construction Budget based on above information.
4. 33% Construction Documents Review Completed
 - . Review of progress tender documents consisting of drawings and specifications which describe in detail the requirements for the construction of the complete project
5. 66% Construction Documents Review Aug. 7, 2009
 - . Review of progress tender documents consisting of drawings and specifications which describe in detail the requirements for the construction of the complete project.
6. 95% Construction Documents Review Sept. 4, 2009
 - . Approval of tender documents consisting of drawings and specifications which set forth in final detail the requirements for the construction of the complete project
 - . Approval of updated Construction Budget based on above information
7. Tenders Called Sept. 12, 2009
8. Tenders Closed Oct. 8, 2009
9. Award/Construction Start Nov. 1, 2009
10. Substantial Completion/Ready for Occupancy/Commissioning Program Start April 1, 2011
11. Project Final Completion May 1, 2011
12. Warranty/Post-Occupancy Evaluation Feb. 1, 2012



8.3 Land Purchase Agreement - Humboldt Collegiate Institute

Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented By: Superintendent D. Lloyd

Background Information:

The agreement for the purchase of 7.02 acres from the City of Humboldt for the construction of the new Humboldt Collegiate Institute has now been completed. The agreement was reviewed in detail with the Landowners Committee on August 7, 2009 and recommended for presentation to the Horizon and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Boards of Education and the Ministry of Education.

The proposed property has been attached for the information of the Board of Education. Legal title will reference both the Horizon and Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Divisions as the legal owners of the property.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approve the Agreement of Purchase and Sale of 7.02 from the City of Humboldt for the new Humboldt Collegiate Institute at the stipulated price of \$556,250.00 or \$79,238 per acre.



8.4 Tender of Annual Audit Services

Board Priority:

- Building Relationships and Partnerships
- Promoting Stewardship

Presented By: Superintendent D. Lloyd

Background Information:

In May of this year a call for proposals for the provision of professional audit services was issued. Five local firms, Hergott Duval Stack, KPMG LLP, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Deloitte and Meyers Norris Penny were invited to submit proposals.

The call for proposals indicated that the Board was seeking proposals from qualified firms registered in Saskatchewan and who have demonstrated experience with the unique nature of school division holdings. A pre-proposal meeting was held and four of the invited firms attended the meeting. Proposals closed at 3:00 p.m. May 21, 2009. Three proposals were received.

A three person evaluation team consisting of the Manager of Corporate Services (Chair), the Manager of Financial Services and the Assistant Manager of Financial Services carried out the evaluation of the proposals. Evaluation was carried out in three stages:

Stage I:

This stage consisted of a review of each proposal to ensure that it complied with any mandatory conditions and conformed to the basic Terms and Conditions included in the RFP documents. Proposals not considered compliant would be rejected at this stage with no further effort applied to them by the evaluation team.

Stage II:

Those submissions considered to be compliant were evaluated by the Evaluation Team using the following predetermined criteria and weighting:

Item	Criteria	Points
1	School Division Audit Experience	40
2	Firm's Audit Approach	5
3	Ability to Meet Proposed Deadlines	12
4	Local presence, level of involvement in Community	5
5	Professional Fee Structure	18
6	Value Added Extras	10
7	Quality of Presentation - both oral and written	5
8	References	5
TOTAL		100

Each evaluator first evaluated the proposals independently then together in committee.

The Financial Evaluation was completed by allocating the maximum points available to the lowest priced proposal. All other proposals were rated accordingly.

Stage III:

The evaluation team selected a short list of firms based on the three firms receiving the highest points in stage II. These firms were then asked to make an oral presentation.

Oral Presentation: No oral presentations were requested.

Evaluation Results:

All firms were scored according to their response to the criteria set out in the RFP. They were not compared one against the other with the exception of their stated fee structures. Year one fee structures submitted were: KPMG - \$28,000; Deloitte - \$17,800; Hergott Duval Stack - \$35,000. Increases in years two and three will be according to annual inflationary adjustments.

The point totals were averaged with the following results: Hergott Duval Stack - 64.33 points, Deloitte - 93.33 points and KPMG - 91.33 points.

Recommendation:

That the contract to provide audit services to the Board be awarded to Deloitte & Touche LLP. That the contract have a three year term with an option for a two year extension.



8.5 Approval of Operating Budget 2009 - 2010

Board Priority:

- > Building Relationships and Partnerships
- > Promoting Stewardship

Presented By: Executive Council

Background Information:

The Preliminary Budget for 2009-2010 was reviewed with the Board of Education at its April 20, 2009 regular meeting. At this time trustees were asked to provide further direction to the draft document in preparation for its approval at the August 24, 2009 regular meeting.

The 2009-10 provincial budget introduced significant changes for education funding and the property tax system. 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.

The Board of Education has continued to meet the challenge of adjusting to the realities of changed economic circumstances. These actions and decisions include allocations as contained within the budget document to support the Continuous Improvement Framework as an accountable system for best teaching, learning, and achievement results for Saskatchewan students.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education approve the 2009-2010 Operating Budget.



8.6 Continuous Agenda of the Board

Board Priority:

➤ Promoting Stewardship

Presented by: Board Chair D. Boyko and Director of Education B. Hanson

Background Information:

The Board Policy Manual stipulates that the Board of Education will develop a continuous agenda of the Board each year.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education review the continuous agenda.

CONTINUOUS AGENDA OF THE BOARD - PROPOSED AUGUST 24, 2009

<p>August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Board/Director Review . Continuous Agenda of the Board 	<p>September</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Liaison Health Region . SCSBA Resolutions . SCSBA Julian Paslawski Meritorious Service Award . SCSBA Nomination to Executive . Premier's Award for Innovation and Excellence in Education . Liaison with Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association . Continuous Improvement Framework Final Plan . Liaison with City Council from Saskatoon
<p>October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Catholic School Community Councils . Enrolment Monitoring Report . Provincial SCSBA Convention . SSBA Convention Resolutions . SSBA Voting Procedures . Auditor's Report . Public Accounts Statement . Liaison Chamber of Commerce . Improving Student Learning and Achievement Monitoring Report . Staff Monitoring Report . Catholic Faith Committee - Review Terms of Reference 	<p>November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Organizational Meeting of the Board . Liaison with Catholic School Divisions/SSBA Convention . Annual Meeting of Electors . Continuous Improvement Framework Report . First Nations and Métis Education Partnership Planning . Budget Consultation Format . Annual Schedule of Board Meetings . Five Year Capital and Building Program
<p>December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Liaison Diocese/Eparchy . Out-of-Province Student Learning Activities Report . Celebrating Catholic Identity Monitoring Report . Annual Meeting of Electors Summary 	<p>January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Board Faith Formation Retreat . Academic Year Approval . Liaison with Opposition MLAs . Liaison with Government MLAs . Program Tour . Liaison with Catholic School Community Councils
<p>February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Liaison with Public Board . GCS Foundation Annual Meeting . Education Leave Priorities . Promoting Stewardship Monitoring Report 	<p>March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Appointments to Foundation Board . Building Relationships and Partnerships Monitoring Report
<p>April</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Preliminary Budget . Catholic Education Day . School Reviews (School Closures/Grade Discontinuance) 	<p>May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Financial Statements . Facility Tour . Liaison with Catholic School Community Councils



<p>June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">. Financial Statements. Final Budget. HCI Final Budget. CCSTA Convention. Out-of-Province Student Learning Activities Report. Approval of Mill Rate. Out of Scope Salaries	<p>July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">. Canadian School Boards Association Convention
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8.7 Catholic School Community Councils: Board Liaison

Board Priority:

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

Presented by: Superintendent G. Chatlain

Background Information:

The legislative changes that created Catholic School Community Councils (CSCC) place these councils under the umbrella of the board of education. As such, it is important that there be opportunities for the board to liaise with CSCC members. Each year brings new CSCC members as well as emerging developments in their school community that make it important to have opportunities to liaise multiple times each year.

Each school division is developing its own process for these meetings that reflect the unique structure in their division. Upon reviewing like divisions, the following process for CSCC liaison meetings is proposed for discussion.

Outcomes: To strengthen understanding of the relationship of each CSCC as an official arm of the Board of Education.

To provide opportunity for contact/conversations with Trustees and CSCC members around an established, shared agenda.

To provide opportunity for CSCC members to network.

Location: 3 city-wide meetings over the course of the year. Representatives of each CSCC to be invited rather than the whole council. Location to rotate around the city.

Time: One meeting in the fall, one in January and one in May. Evening meetings.

Agenda: Agenda can be jointly developed, but the following might be broad areas of focus for each meeting.

Fall meeting: Orientation and networking.

January meeting: Learning Improvement Plan - networking

May meeting: Budget impact - networking

Meetings to be co-chaired by Board Chair (or designate) and a chair from the CSCCs. Agenda is set in collaboration by chairs.

Questions/Comments:

- Role of the principal? Do principals attend?
- AGM in November - this is too late for orientation, but too soon for other work. Due to the audit timelines, this date cannot move.
- Impact on Humboldt, Biggar and Viscount councils.
- This could be implemented for 2 years and then evaluated to see if it is meeting the needs.
- Other?

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education review the proposed liaison plan and recommend a course of action for this year.



8.8 Julian Paslawski Meritorious Award Nomination

Board Priority:

Presented by:

Background Information:

Each year the Saskatchewan Catholic Schools Boards Association presents the meritorious service award to deserving recipients who have displayed leadership in Catholic Education.

Nominations for this award will be accepted on or before September 11, 2009.

The Board of Directors will select the winner at the September 11/12 Board of Directors Meeting.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education consider nominating an individual for this award.



8.9 Opening Day Institute

Board Priority:

➤ Celebrating Catholic Identity

Presented by: Chair D. Boyko and Director of Education B. Hanson

Background Information:

The opening day institute is being held on:

Friday, August 28 at 9:00 a.m.
Circle Drive Alliance Church

A program brochure is enclosed for the Board's information.

Trustees are invited to attend and participate in the distribution of a gift to each school. An explanation of the ceremony will take place at the meeting.

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education attend the Operating Day Institute and participate in the distribution of the gifts.

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

1. Trustees Lambert, Risling and I attended the Canadian School Boards Association Conference which took place in Halifax in July.

The conference provided an opportunity to hear excellent speakers and to network with trustees from across Canada.

2. The Saskatoon Industry Education Council hosted a celebration luncheon for the Summer Youth Internship Program on August 14, 2009. Congratulations to Coordinator Lana Bauer who is the chairperson of the Council for this excellent program. Many participating companies in and around Saskatoon provide internship programs for our high school students. Thanks to Superintendent Joanne Weninger for her leadership in this area.