



CSNO Staff Day 2017

The 2017 CSNO Staff gathering was held August 31st at the Centre culturel de St-Isidore. The day's theme was « *Collaborer, Innover, Inspirer* » and included interactions, celebration of years of service and workshops.



The guest speaker, Dr. Gilberte Godin, shared her research on the influence of the linguistic and cultural experiences of teachers on their pedagogical practices and on the linguistic and cultural development of students in Francophone minority situations. Other workshops were also offered to staff members, including Monique Gravel's (ATA) workshop "How to Develop Student Resilience," and Eric Caron's (CPFPP) "Google" workshop.

Friends of Education – Zone 1

The School Board nominated the Grande Prairie Regional ACFA for the "2017 Zone 1 Friends of Education Award." This award recognizes organizations/businesses that have made a positive contribution to education in Zone 1. The award will be presented on September 13th at the ASBA Zone 1 meeting and banquet in Peace River.

2017-2018 School Fees

The Board received the Minister of Education's approval for the 2017-2018 school fees submitted in June. All the school fees for each school can be found on the school and Board websites. Parents were advised of school fees by Memo before the start of the school year.

2017-2018 Transportation Fees

In June, the CSNO made a request to Alberta Education to introduce fees for school transportation service outside of eligible areas (less than 2.4 km from school). The Minister approved a fee of \$ 100 / year / student, instead of \$ 350 / year / student, as requested. Parents were informed of this change by Memo before the start of the school year.

2018-2021 Capital Plan Modification

Alberta Education granted school boards a period from September 30 to October 15 to revise their 2018-2021 Capital Plan. The Board approved an amendment to Priority 1 of its 2018-2021 Capital Plan in order to change "New Construction" to "Modernization," for École des Quatre-Vents.

Trustee Elections 2017

The Returning Officer, Mrs. Rachelle Bergeron, reminded the Board that Nomination day is September 18, 2017. The Board stressed the importance of the role of School Trustees, both in the establishment of francophone education and in its development. The Board also indicated that this is an important opportunity for the Francophone community to demonstrate its commitment.

FNCSF

The Chair, Mrs. Sylvianne Maisonneuve, explained that the FNCSF (National Federation of Francophone School Boards) made significant gains for Canadian Francophone education in the last few months.

The annual FNCSF Symposium will be held in Ottawa on October 19, 20 and 21. The Chair will participate as a representative of the FCSFA and Mr. Roger Tremblay will represent the CSNO.



Superintendent's Report

Enrolment 2017-2018

The preliminary enrolment numbers for 2016-2017 show an increase in the overall count. Official data will be published on September 30.

Provincial Achievement Tests

This year, schools will be able to decide on the best time to offer Grade 6 and Grade 9 achievement tests. In addition, students will be permitted more time to complete their tests.

2017-2018 Agreement with the Provincial ACFA

The agreement with the ACFA to provide cultural coordination in the schools was renewed at École Nouvelle Frontière for a second year and a new agreement was established for École des Quatre-Vents.

Maintenance

Several major repairs were carried out in the schools. In addition, the administration reported that there was a lot of vandalism at École Nouvelle Frontière over the summer. These unforeseen

costs are quite high and include damage repair, temporary security service and a new camera surveillance system.

School Councils

The Annual General Meetings (AGMs) of the School Councils will be held:

- ♦ École Nouvelle Frontière - Septembre 13th at 6:30 pm.
- ♦ École Héritage - Septembre 13th at 6:30 pm.
- ♦ École des Quatre-Vents - Septembre 20th at 6:30 pm.

Invitation

The public is invited to attend Board meetings and may have an item placed on the agenda by communicating, one week in advance, with Rachelle Bergeron, Corporate Secretary, at 780-624-8855 or 1-866-624-8855.

NB - Please note that Board meetings are held in French. Highlights of the Board meetings may be found on the district website.

**The Organizational Meeting will be held
October 25, 2017 at 11 h
in St-Isidore.**

DATES to REMEMBER :

Septembre 25	PD Day – ÉQV
Septembre 29	PD Day – ÉNF / ÉH
Octobre 5	No School – ÉQV / ENF
Octobre 9	Thanksgiving - HOLIDAT
Octobre 23	PD Day – TOUS