



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

May 23, 2019

Central Office, St. Isidore

Moment of Contemplation

The School Board held a moment of silence in memory of Mrs. Pauline Johnson, who died May 22, 2019. Mrs. Johnson was a long-standing employee of the CSNO. Since her retirement in 2012 as a teacher at the École Heritage, madame Pauline continued to offer substitute teacher and contractual services. The Board wishes to offer its most sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Mrs. Johnson.

2019-2020 Budget

A draft 2019-2020 budget was presented to the Board. The administration explained that school boards must develop their budgets according to various funding assumptions, since the provincial budget will not be tabled until the fall. This adds to the complexity of making realistic budget forecasts. The final 2019-2020 budget will be presented and adopted at the regular meeting in June.

2019 By-election

The School Board begins a second round of nominations for a by-election to fill the position of Catholic Trustee for Ward 4.

Nomination Day is August 19, 2019, and the names of candidates to be elected to the following position may be submitted to the Board Office during the period commencing May 27, 2019, and ending at noon on Nomination Day.

MORE INFORMATION.

ÉQV Infrastructure

The Board awaits the new UCP government provincial budget announcement, as well as the Ministry of Education announcements for the funded school infrastructure projects.

Meetings with the new MLAs and the minister of Education have been requested to advocate for the infrastructure project, as well as the

Francophone Education needs in the Northwest Francophone Education Region.

Future orientation of the CSNO

A discussion took place on the future direction of the School Board to ensure success for all students and three school communities. The Board seeks optimal development of its educational projects and wishes to reassure its school communities with respect to the future and the development of its schools. The Board will ensure that the best possible scenarios will be put in place in each school for the next school year. Further, the Board recommended that the Superintendent review the staff assignment principles in order to be more flexible and allow better stability.

2019 CSNO Bursary

The 2019 CSNO Bursary was awarded to Nadia Sylvain, École Héritage graduate. The bursary, valued at \$ 800, was presented to her during the graduation celebration on May 25 in Falher.

The CSNO Bursary aims to recognize a grade 12 student, in one of the CSNO's schools, for his or her superior academic results, contribution to school life / francophone community and who is pursuing post-secondary education.

The CSNO will submit the 2019 Bursary recipient, Nadia Sylvain, for the national Paul-Charbonneau Bursary Award (Fondation Éduquer en Français).

Chair and Trustees Report

Trustees participated in several meetings over the past month, including: Conversations on French-language services (provincial ACFA); Grande Prairie School Site Planning, CSNO and ACFA Bursaries selection committees, ASBA Zone 1, Grande Prairie Chamber of Commerce (GPCC) meeting, and graduation ceremonies for École Heritage and École Nouvelle Frontière.



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Trustee Colin Gagnon will attend the ASBA 'Spring General Meeting' in Red Deer on June 3rd. The CSNO will second a motion by High Prairie School Division regarding proposed changes to the MELT (Mandatory Entry Level Training for Bus Driver) regulations.

Board members will attend the schools' year-end festivities:

- ÉNF - 20th Anniversary Celebration (June 7)
- EH - Celebration with the Falher 100th / Honey Festival (June 14)
- EQV - Nuit dans la Vallée (June 21)

ALL ARE WELCOME !!

NOTICE of a change in the schedule of regular meetings

The Board approved a modification to the schedule of regular Board meetings.

The Board meeting on June 20, 2019, will be held at 1:00 pm instead of 2:00 pm.

Superintendent's Report

Cultural Animation

Since the contracts with the provincial ACFA for cultural animation positions will not be renewed, the Superintendent will take the opportunity to revise the mandate of this position in order to update the expected outcomes in the schools.

Maintenance Work in Schools

A number of maintenance projects will be done in all three schools over the summer. One major project includes replacing the heating system at École des Quatre-Vents. The administration is working with the Ministry to receive support for this significant project.

INVITATION

The public is invited to attend the School Board meetings. Items may be added to the agenda by contacting Rachele Bergeron, Corporate Secretary, at 780-624-8855 or 1-866-624-8855.

NB - Please note that Board meetings are held in French.

**The next Board meeting will be held
June 20, 2019, at 1 p.m.
Central Office (St-Isidore)**

DATES to REMEMBER:

May 30	Last Day of Preschool - ÉQV / ÉH
May 31	Last Day of Preschool - ÉNF
June 14	Last Day of Kindergarten - ALL
June 20	CSNO Board Meeting (1:00 pm)
June 27	Last Day Grades 1-12
June 28	Last Day - CSNO School Staff