

The School Trustee

Provincial Executive Meets

The SSBA Provincial Executive met in Saskatoon on Sept. 28-29.

Items discussed at the meeting included the report of the Association's Board Development Committee, proposed SSBA 2012 Budget, performance management based compensation for SSBA staff, the SSBA's public awareness media campaign, Employee Benefits Plan Advisory Group, Fall General Assembly Resolutions and Policy Development, and the report of the Education Equity Working Advisory Group.

Delegations to the meeting included Kevin Waugh and John McAuliffe (SSBA/LEADS Instructional Time Committee) and Mike Kaminski and Al Kildaw (Saskatchewan Emergency Planners Association).

A summary of the meeting highlights will be sent to boards from the constituency representatives serving on the SSBA Executive.



Mike Kaminski and Al Kildaw from the Saskatchewan Emergency Planners Association (left) met with the SSBA Provincial Executive in September. The Education Equity WAG co-chairs Eldon Van Den Bossche and Scott Sander (centre) presented the WAG's recommendations to the Executive and delegates attending Members' Council. Instructional Time Committee members John McAuliffe, superintendent of education for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, and Kevin Waugh, Saskatoon Public Board of Education, (right) also met with the Executive.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Members' Council	2	Mosaic Extreme School	
Aboriginal Education Initiatives	2	Makeover Challenge	6
Education Equity WAG		Okicyapi Partnership:	
Presents Recommendations	3	Working Together	7
Public Engagement Workshops	3	Rural School Renovation Revitalizes	
Advance Nominations	4	Community	8
Award of Distinction	4	AutismPro	9
Premier's Board of Education		Know Your Neighbour	10
Award	4	Welcome to Darren McKee	11
Fall General Assembly:		Calendar of Events	12
Teach Our Children Well	5	CCSTA Tree Planting	12
Ads Reiterate Importance of			
Local Representation	6		

Members' Council

Board chairs, directors of Education and trustees met in Saskatoon Sept. 29-30 to discuss issues of importance to publicly funded education in Saskatchewan.

The agenda focused on the review of the SSBA Strategic Plan, the proposed SSBA 2012 budget, the work of the Education Equity and First Nations and Métis Working Advisory Groups, the Education Funding Distribution Model, a review of the Provincial Bargaining Agreement, and a Resolutions and Policy Development update.



Aboriginal Education Initiatives

National Gathering Report

As was promised at the National Aboriginal Trustees Gathering, a report will be made available later this fall.

The *National Aboriginal Trustees Gathering: A Summary of Strategies for Strengthening First Nations and Métis Student Achievement* resource document will provide a summary of the gathering, provincial perspectives and promising practices in jurisdictions across Canada, and an annotated bibliography outlining important research regarding Aboriginal education initiatives locally and abroad.

The document was prepared by Cheryl Hoftzyer, University of Saskatchewan, and was supported by the Ministry of Education in

recognition of the important work the SSBA does to improve the outcomes for First Nations and Métis students.

Horizon Webinar Project

In partnership with Horizon SD, the SSBA has begun phase two of a pilot project for Aboriginal awareness via webinar.

Last year, six modules were presented to the same group of schools throughout the school year.

This year, the SSBA is partnering with various organizations, including the Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre, the Office of the Treaty Commissioner and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, to present three repeat sessions to Horizon SD school staffs. The sessions focus on the residential school era and its implications for

today's population.

This initiative is in support of teaching treaties in the classroom and will help staff and students become comfortable in generating a dialogue on a topic that has rarely been explored in publicly funded education in Saskatchewan.

The SSBA has developed a video "trailer" to summarize the content of the webinars and to encourage other school divisions to contact Jamie Lerat, Coordinator, First Nations and Métis Education Services (jlerat@saskschoolboards.ca) to explore options for presenting sessions to school staffs across the province.



Education Equity WAG Presents Recommendations

The Education Equity Working Advisory Group (WAG) presented its final report to the SSBA Executive at their September meeting.

Included in its report, the WAG made seven recommendations:

1. That boards of education and the Saskatchewan School Boards Association advocate for adequate education funding that is fairly distributed.
2. That the Saskatchewan School Boards Association work with the Ministry of Education to adopt a shared definition and principles of education equity for Saskatchewan.
3. That boards of education and the Ministry of Education be

encouraged to work jointly within the established funding model with no side deals or “one offs.”

4. That the Ministry of Education be encouraged to establish funding using identified student needs rather than centrally defined programs.
5. That boards of education and the Saskatchewan School Boards Association ensure that school board autonomy is strengthened.
6. That the Saskatchewan School Boards Association work with the Ministry of Education to identify, collect and analyze data, and to monitor and annually report on the adequacy of funding and education equity

in Saskatchewan.

7. That a statement of position regarding education equity be discussed with member boards and presented at an Association General Assembly for adoption. A resource document to support these recommendations was also developed by this committee.

Responding to Diversity: Examining Education Equity in Saskatchewan was written by Lorraine Thompson.

This document will be officially presented at the Fall General Assembly. It is currently on the SSBA website at www.saskschoolboards.ca.

Public Engagement Workshops

A series of SSBA Constituency-based workshops have been completed.

The workshops resulted from the recommendations of the Association’s Public Awareness and Engagement Working Advisory Group (WAG).

The WAG, co-chaired by trustees Larry Pavloff (Prairie Spirit SD) and Connie Bailey (Sun West SD), made several recommendations to the SSBA Executive and membership, including that every board of education and school community council (SCC) develop and implement a public engagement plan, and that the SSBA offer public engagement workshops to assist boards of

education and school community councils in this regard.

The workshops were attended by school division teams consisting of a broad range of leaders including board members, SCC members, directors of education, superintendents, principals, school division communications personnel, elders, school community coordinators, nutritionists and social workers.

The workshops were rated very positively by participants. Links to resources supporting public engagement have also been sent to all school divisions.



Participants in the Southern Constituency (above) and Northern Constituency public engagement workshops shared successful practices.



Advance Nominations

Thinking about running for a position on the SSBA Executive?

Advance nominations are now being accepted and interested trustees can choose to either complete an advance nomination form or be nominated at the SSBA Fall General Assembly being held in Saskatoon from Nov. 29-30.

The positions on the Executive which are eligible for nomination are:

- President (one-year term)
- Vice-President (one-year term)
- Southern Constituency (two-year term)

The terms of the Northern and Conseil scolaire fransaskois Constituency representatives expire this year. However, pursuant to Bylaw 4.1,7(4) the Northern and Conseil scolaire fransaskois Constituencies elect or select their representatives and alternates at a meeting held prior to the SSBA

Fall General Assembly.

Advance nomination forms can be found on the SSBA website at www.saskschoolboards.ca under “About Us / Nomination Procedures”. Advance nomination forms must be received by Nov. 1 at 4:30 p.m. in order to be included on the Association website and in the Fall General Assembly handbook.



Award of Distinction

How do you thank a school board trustee who has gone above and beyond his or her duties as a trustee?

Recognizing their hard work and dedication by nominating them for the Award of Distinction is a good place to start.

The Award of Distinction is presented annually to a school board member who has demonstrated outstanding service and made a significant contribution to enhance education. The award

recognizes current or former board of education members who have provided outstanding service to education on local or provincial levels.

The deadline for nominations is Oct. 31. The nomination form can be found on the SSBA website at www.saskschoolboards.ca under “About Us / Awards”.

Last year’s winner was Duane Favel of Ile-a-la Crosse SD.



SSBA President Sandi Urban-Hall presenting the 2010 award to Duane Favel.

Premier’s Board of Education Award

The Premier’s Board of Education Award for Innovation and Excellence in Education recognizes educational innovations and improvements focused on student achievement which have been advanced or directed by boards of education.

The sponsor, Xerox Canada, is providing a \$3,000 prize to the winning recipient of this award.

School boards interested in applying for this award must have their application submitted no later than Nov. 11, 2011. Nominations are to be sent electronically to admin@saskschoolboards.ca.

Last year’s winner was Horizon SD for their Punnichy Career Transitions Initiative.



Horizon Board of Education accepting the 2010 Premier’s Award.

Fall General Assembly

“Teach Our Children Well”

November 28-29, 2011
Saskatoon Radisson Hotel

The SSBA’s Fall General Assembly is just a couple of months away and plans are underway to bring an exciting lineup of events to delegates.

Teach Our Children Well is the 2011 Fall General Assembly theme. Participants will gather at the Radisson Hotel in Saskatoon on Nov. 28-29 to focus on student achievement.

Keynote Speaker:
Raymond J. McNulty

President of the International Center for Leadership in Education, Raymond McNulty is this year’s keynote speaker. McNulty, an educator since 1973, was a senior fellow at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, working alongside leading educators from across the United States to improve the nation’s high schools. McNulty was also past president of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum



Raymond McNulty

Development (ASCD).

McNulty is the author of *It’s Not Us Against Them: Creating the Schools We Need*, published in 2009.

Student Panel

This year delegates will hear a group of Saskatchewan students tell us about their positive experiences, as well as their challenges, in the Saskatchewan school system. A diverse group of students from Grades 10-12, and a few recent graduates, will share with delegates

how they feel improvements could be made to make it even better for future generations of Saskatchewan students.

Entertainment:
Ovide Pilon and Liverpool

Ovide Pilon, from tribute band Ovide Pilon and Liverpool, has had the opportunity to be the opening act for a number of musical groups including Nazareth, Powder Blues Band, Chubby Checker, Billy-Joe Royal, Southern Pacific and Prism, as well as performing as “The Band” for Buddy Knox and Paul Revere and the Raiders. He has performed at Craven and Echo Valley Jamboree in the Battle of the Bands and was judged the number one band. For the last 13 years he has been involved in CCR and Beatles tribute bands traveling throughout Western Canada.



Liverpool

Fall General Assembly Agenda

Monday, November 28

- Registration
- Annual General Meeting
- Resolutions and Board Discussions
- Section Meetings
- Banquet and Awards
- Entertainment

Tuesday, November 29

- Networking and Aboriginal Constituency Election
- Keynote Speaker Ray McNulty
- Annual General Meeting
- Student Panel
- Minister of Education and Advocacy Session

Ads Reiterate Importance of Local Representation

To explain the importance of locally-elected school boards and to help engage the public in the publicly funded school system, the SSBA embarked on a print, radio and TV ad campaign this fall.

The ads ran province-wide and asked people to, “Speak up for a strong education system in your community.”

With 70 percent of taxpayers not having children in the publicly funded education system, it’s

vital that we engage our publics and make sure everyone’s voice is heard to improve outcomes for Saskatchewan’s children and youth. As the Provincial Panel on Student Achievement said, 80 percent of a child’s learning happens outside of a classroom.

To access the TV and radio ads please refer to the scrolling news at www.saskschoolboards.ca.



Mosaic Extreme School Makeover Challenge

The fifth annual Mosaic Extreme School Makeover Challenge recipients were celebrated on Sept. 9 with a Walk to Breakfast occurring simultaneously at each of the two winning schools.

The Challenge and Walk to Breakfast events result from a partnership between the Saskatchewan School Boards Association, the Saskatchewan Nutrition Advisory Council for Kids (SNACK) and the Mosaic Company with participation from both the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. Participants are required to submit action plans that identify areas in need of improvement, provide strategies for healthy change, and display a commitment to implement the improvements by the new school year. Plans must contain a nutrition component in order to be eligible for cash prizes.

“Schools are doing some truly amazing work in this area,” states



Students provide Lt. Gov. Gordon Barnhart with a tour of St. Mary School’s “Cool Place.”

Kelly Berlinic, Saskatchewan Breakfast for Learning Coordinator. “The Challenge is about recognizing this work and then taking a moment to celebrate success with a Walk to Breakfast.”

This year’s recipients were St. Mary School in Moose Jaw and Humboldt Public School. Mark Corbin, Holy Trinity Catholic SD board chair, and James Kolbeck,

Horizon SD trustee, were both in attendance at their respective schools. Other dignitaries on hand to celebrate the remarkable achievements of the recipients were Lt. Gov. Gordon Barnhart, Minister of Education Donna Harpauer, Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport Bill Hutchinson, MP Brad Trost, MLAs Deb Higgins and Warren Michelson, and Mayors Glen Hagel and Malcolm Eaton.

“It’s such an honour for SNACK to celebrate with the schools and their communities at these events,” said Donna Ziegler, Chair of SNACK and trustee with the Regina Catholic Board of Education. “SNACK recognizes and supports the positive relationship between nutrition, physical activity and improved school outcomes. Our council continues to be committed to advocating for quality school nutrition programs for all students.”

Okicīyapi Partnership: Working Together

At the CSBA Congress in July, the Saskatoon Public Board of Education was honoured to present to the delegation their valuable partnership with Saskatoon Tribal Council (STC) and Central Urban Métis Federation Inc. (CUMFI) – formally known as the Okicīyapi Partnership.

“Partnerships are how we do our work at Saskatoon Public Schools. We can’t do it alone,” explained Patricia Prowse, superintendent of education for Saskatoon Public Schools (SPS), who supported the partnership during its formative years.

The first Memorandum of Understanding was signed between SPS and STC in 2004, and a renewal in 2007 saw CUMFI join the partnership.

“The focus of this partnership has always been about our students, and when I say ‘our’ students I mean everyone’s students,” stated Prowse.

Some of the initiatives that benefit all students are shared professional development opportunities that focus on student outcomes, such as Literacy for Life which has been a strategic priority for SPS since 2004.

The partnership is also aligned with the Continuous Improvement Framework in that it focuses on accountability and governance at its core, which is apparent in the translation of Okicīyapi.

Partnership representatives followed indigenous protocols and met with Dakota elders who gave the partnership its name Okicīyapi,



Patricia Prowse (left) and Brenda Green, superintendents of education for Saskatoon Public Schools, have supported the Okicīyapi Partnership for the division since its inception. The partnership includes the Saskatoon Tribal Council and Central Urban Métis Federation Inc.

or “working together for the better good for common purpose” in its literal English translation.

In other words, the partnership uses a shared governance model which allows the core values of treaty, learning, lifelong learning, unity, communication, respect, diversity and collaboration to be displayed through the partnership.

At both the board and administration levels there are high levels of participation, which ultimately helps the division achieve goals of higher literacy, equitable opportunities, smooth transitions and shared governance.

As the partnership moves forward, Brenda Green, superintendent of education for SPS who now oversees Okicīyapi,

said the mandate for Treaty education works well for this partnership for a “harmonious future.”

“It is through Treaty education that we can begin to understand Canada’s history which has benefitted all who live in Saskatchewan,” explained Green.

The division has also been proactive in cultural responsiveness to reinforce the goal of having everyone in the circle because “together is better.”

In 2007, the Saskatoon Public Board of Education was the recipient of the Premier’s Board of Education Award for the work done to create this partnership.



Rural School Renovation Revitalizes Community

All too often across our vast province, school boards must make the difficult decision to close rural schools as the trend towards urbanization continues.

But sometimes we hear of success stories when, not long ago, there seemed to be little to no light at the end of the tunnel. One of those stories comes from Hafford.

As long as Ron Kowalchuk, a board member in the Living Sky SD for nearly 30 years, can remember a school renovation project in Hafford has been discussed, but at times it didn't seem like it would become a reality.

"This school is near and dear to my heart," said Kowalchuk, who attended school in one of the wings that was removed during the renovation project.

As with many small towns in Saskatchewan, dwindling populations have seen enrolments plummet with school boards having to make the difficult decision to close schools. Hafford was no different.

In the 1970s approximately 250 students attended, in the 1980s approximately 200 students attended and in 1999 only 114 students were enrolled at Hafford School. It was a struggle to get the attention of government to help fund a renovation project with those trends.

But in recent years, the school community has seen increased enrolments and is now exceeding projections, explained John



Rebekah Lesko (left), Student Leadership Council (SLC) representative, Jason Collin, vice-principal, Martin Link, principal, Ron Kowalchuk, board member, Dennis Allchurch, MLA, Ken Arsenault, board chair, and Sarah Jones, SLC representative, took part in the ribbon cutting ceremony for the completion of the Hafford School renovations.

Kindrachuk, school community council president. Five years ago, the projected enrolment for Hafford School was 161 students, but at the completion of the renovation there were 178 students enrolled.

"We had people with vision, we had people with a plan and we had people who put the plan into action."

Rosthern-Shellbrook MLA Dennis Allchurch was on hand to bring greetings on behalf of Minister of Education Donna Harpauer. Allchurch commended Kowalchuk and the school community for their dedication to public education in the area and for their persistence in making sure Hafford School was on the

province's radar.

"You have a strong community here, and this school reflects that," stated Allchurch.

Martin Link, principal of Hafford School, exuded happiness at the completion of the renovation project and thanked the community, businesses, staff and, most importantly, students for their patience and commitment throughout the process.

"We had people with a vision, we had people with a plan and we had people who put the plan into action," explained Link.

Kowalchuk observed that there is a lot of pride in the community and the work done to the school exemplified that but had to add with a grin, "Maybe, just maybe, we'll be able to add some space for PreK."



AutismPro

It has been well-documented in medical research and in the media that the prevalence of people with autism spectrum disorder has increased over the past decade.

Schools across the province are recognizing this, and two school divisions in the province are taking a technological approach to assist employees in understanding and better serving students with autism.

Quintin Robertson, superintendent of student services in Good Spirit SD, said they began researching *AutismPro* last school year and piloted the online learning program with three students in the division.

“We wanted to increase capacity to work with these children, and we wanted to add some tools to our toolbox,” said Robertson.

The program offers professional development opportunities for school division staff as well as teaching resources, which are supported by research, to provide educators with the best opportunity to support students with autism.

Robertson explained that in student services they’ve identified “three Cs” for which they would like to focus their priorities: Capacity, communication and collaboration. He said *AutismPro* supports each of those focus areas.

Although it isn’t necessarily linked to the Saskatchewan curriculum, Robertson said it’s a good tool for what the curriculum is asking.

“It allows students to bridge the gap between where they are and

where the curriculum wants them to be,” he said.

Among staff it’s a great tool for collaboration and communication as the professional development resources are available to a variety of occupations throughout the division, from bus drivers to occupational therapists.

He added that the program is costly which is why the division undertook extensive research over the past year before committing to *AutismPro* this year.

“It’s a fairly expensive program, but that’s not to say that these students aren’t worth it. These students are absolutely worth it,” asserted Robertson.

Renee Stephan, supervisor for intensive supports in instruction and school services for Regina Public Schools, spoke with the



On the *AutismPro* website (www.autismpro.com), Good Spirit SD and Regina Public Schools are profiled for their commitment.

If viewing this document electronically you can click on the above screenshot to go directly to the webpage.

Regina Leader-Post in early September (bit.ly/qEW2Tq).

“Regina Public Schools’ goal is achievement for all students,” said Stephan to the *Leader-Post*. “In respect to the diagnosis of autism, our plan is to build capacity to support the students who require targeted or intensive supports by first creating a circle of care that includes an interdisciplinary team.

“But in addition to that, we plan to support that student, the concerns of the parents and the needs of the teacher to deliver instruction by providing a web-based resource for professional development for any individuals who interact with that student.”

Like Good Spirit SD, Regina Public Schools is offering the professional development to a variety of staff members.



Education Week is taking place October 16-22. Many schools across the province will take the opportunity to celebrate all that is great in publicly funded education during that time!

CÉF – In December 2009 the school board decided to upgrade the playground equipment at école St-Isidore. By August 2010, \$14,000 was raised, thanks in large part to the efforts of Eileen Trumier, to build phase one. A number of additional fundraisers were held and in June 2011 the final pieces of the playground were put in place. Find out more at www.cefsk.ca.

Chinook – On Sept. 19, Maple Creek Composite School celebrated the completion of its renovations. Check out what else is happening at www.chinooksd.ca.

Christ the Teacher – Minister of Education Donna Harpauer announced funding targeted to upgrade PreK classrooms in the province at St. Mary's School in Yorkton on Sept. 21. Read more at www.christtheteacher.ca.

Good Spirit – A student awards program was introduced Sept. 6 to celebrate students who continually display community and school spirit, who exemplify the values of the division, and who are committed to their school

work. Each school nominates three to five students with a selection committee, including representatives from SCCs, determining the winner at each of the division's 28 schools. For more information visit www.gssd.ca.

Greater Saskatoon Catholic – The division celebrated its centennial on Sept. 5. In honour of the event, each school received a tree to plant with each tree receiving a mixture of soil from each of the 44 schools in the division. For more information on these celebrations visit www.scs.sk.ca.

Holy Trinity – Five SMART tables arrived and are set up at elementary schools in the division. For more *Tech Bytes* visit www.htcsd.ca.

Ile-a-la Crosse – A completely revamped website can now be viewed at www.icsd112.ca. When visiting the site you are greeted with a touch of the Métis culture as fiddle music plays upon entering!

Light of Christ – The division established a Legacy Fund through the Battlefords and District Community Fund. Find out what else is happening at www.loccsd.ca.

Lloydminster Public – There are new *Beyond the Classroom* videos for you to check out at www.lpsd.ca.

Northern Lights – John Ulsifer is the new director of education. For more information visit www.nlsd113.com.

Northwest – More than 400 teachers and staff attended the Northwest Teachers' Association conference in Lashburn Aug. 25-26. Keynote speakers were Tom Hierck, the executive director of the B.C. Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association, and Jim Kyte, former NHL player and the first and only legally deaf NHL player. Check out the news release at <http://bit.ly/mnQpCy>. Find out what else is going on in Northwest SD at www.nwsd.ca.

Prairie South – In honour of National Tree Planting Day on Sept. 21, Lindale School students received a lesson on how to properly plant a tree. Check out the video at www.prairiesouth.ca.

Prairie Valley – The division received a \$40,000 grant from the Ministry of Education to hold summer literacy camps in Grenfell and Fort Qu'Appelle. The camps provide programming for more than 40 children, ages five to 12 years. Read more *Celebration Items* at www.pvsd.ca – and check out the new look to its website!

Saskatoon Public – The Newcomer Student Centre celebrated its grand opening on Sept. 23. Serving students and families who are new to Canada, the centre introduces them to public schools, helps assess students' language and mathematics skills, registers students in schools and recommends support and programming for students requiring English as an additional language (EAL) services. As of Sept. 23,

approximately five to eight families access the centre daily with more than 200 students assessed since Aug. 15.

Beyond a Little Stone School, a 25-year historical book of Saskatoon Public Schools between 1982-2007, was presented to trustees at their Sept. 20 board meeting. The book is available in exchange for a donation to the Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation.

Check out an inspiring video from Saskatoon Public Schools on its website at www.spsd.sk.ca.

South East Cornerstone – McLeod Elementary School principal Devona Putland participated in a four-week teaching trip in Mongolia. She worked with a team of five other Canadian teachers and 120 Mongolian teachers through Project Overseas, which was sponsored by the Canadian Teachers' Federation. An article regarding her experiences appeared in *The World Spectator* newspaper based in Moosomin.

Wawota School received \$10,000 posthumously from Dorothy Haldenby, a former teacher who passed away this year at the age of 101. The money will be used to increase technological infrastructure in the school.

Check out the new website at www.cornerstonesd.ca.

Sun West – There's a new look to the division's website at www.sunwestsd.ca.

Welcome to Darren McKee

Ernie Cychmistruk left the ESSBA in September 2011. We thank Ernie for his outstanding service to education and trusteeship in Saskatchewan. His work has been valued, respected and appreciated by all boards.

We will miss you Ernie!

In March, the Provincial Executive hired Darren McKee as the next executive director of our Association.

We are excited about having Darren assume the helm. Darren is an Anishnabe originally from Manitoba and completed all of his formal education in Saskatchewan including a bachelor of education and master of education at the University of Saskatchewan.

Darren has worked as a teacher and administrator in various First Nation communities in Saskatchewan and began working with the province of Saskatchewan in 2005. Darren held various



Darren McKee

positions including superintendent, director and executive director before becoming the assistant deputy minister in 2007.

"I've had the opportunity to meet with staff, and many board chairs and directors of education," explained Darren. "I'm encouraged to be working in the organization and look forward to engage in ways that support boards moving forward."

EasySchoolFees

An easy tool for schools and teachers to promote any school related event and easily manage the collection of fees and permission slips... all on-line.

For teachers and administrators, EasySchoolFees.ca will:

- communicate details of fieldtrips and events to parents and guardians via email
- provide an easy way for the secretary to manage money without envelopes of coins
- provide parents with details and specific instructions related to the event (such as wear sunscreen and a hat)
- track parents who have paid and those who have not
- continue to remind parents who have not paid that a deadline is approaching
- easily reconcile the funds at the end of the project

For parents/guardians, they will now be able to:

- pay any school related fee on-line with a credit card or Paypal account (a massive time saver for every busy parent)
- receive notices via email of upcoming events and related fees and instructions
- continue to be prompted about the approaching deadline
- notify the teacher that the child will not be able to participate, thus avoiding further prompts
- receive a reminder the day before the event

To sign on visit www.easyschoolfees.ca

“To serve and provide leadership as the voice for elected boards of education, who are the accountable stewards of publicly funded education in Saskatchewan.”

President: Sandi Urban-Hall

Vice-President: Janet Foord

Northern Constituency: Joe Daigneault

Aboriginal Constituency: Duane Favel

Conseil scolaire fransaskois Constituency:
Élizabeth Perreault

Urban Public Constituency:
Dan Danielson

Catholic Constituency:
Glen Gantefoer

Central Constituency:
Eldon Van Den Bossche

Southern Constituency: Connie Bailey

Executive Director:
Darren McKee

School Board Development Services:
Lionel Diederichs, Director

Legal and Employee Relations Services:
Bonnie Ozirny, Director &
General Counsel

Communications Services:
Leslie Anderson, Director

Insurance and Risk Management:
Dave Jackson, Director

Employee Benefits Plan:
Jeff McNaughton, Director

The School Trustee is published
approximately five times per
year (September - June).

Saskatchewan School Boards Association
400-2222 13th Avenue
Regina, Sask.
S4P 3M7

Phone: (306) 569-0750

Fax: (306) 352-9633

Email: admin@saskschoolboards.ca

**If you would prefer to receive
The School Trustee by email, rather than
by hardcopy, please contact the
Association at the email address above.**

Calendar Update



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

EVENTS

FALL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

November 28-29, 2011

Radisson Hotel, Saskatoon

CCSTA Tree Planting



In honour of the host city of the Canadian Catholic School Trustees Association annual conference a tree is planted. To kick off the June conference in Regina, a tree was planted in front of the Regina Catholic Schools division office.