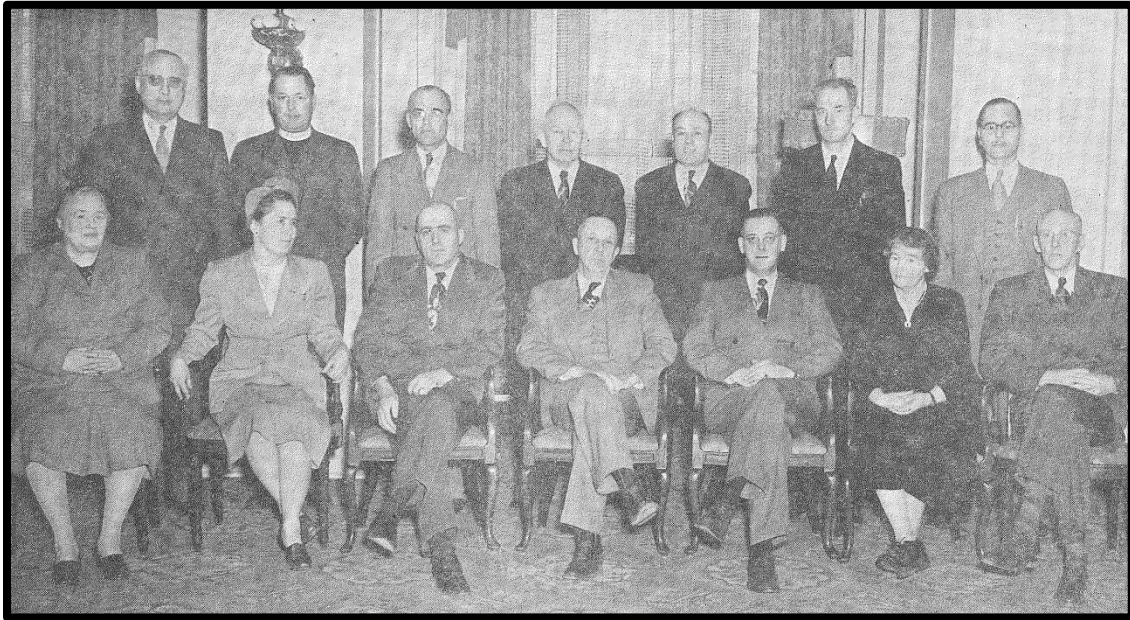




Looking Back: Act of Incorporation



The 1952 Executive of the Association

A very important milestone in the development of the Association occurred in 1952. The Association is considered to have “come of age” then, when it was incorporated by the passing of a special Act of the Legislature. The Association newsletter at the time described the legislation, and other education-related changes that year, as “of vital interest and importance to all trustees.”

The Act of Incorporation made the Association a legal entity and gave authority to set bylaws in a general meeting regarding, but not limited to, managing property and affairs, using revenues to benefit the membership and electing an Executive committee. Incorporation opened the way for leasing an Association office and employing a full-time staff. The newly incorporated organization proceeded at its 1952 convention to adopt various bylaws.

The legislation also reaffirmed the voluntary nature of the Association. Membership was nearly 100 per cent in 1953. (The Association newsletter in 1952 noted that all of the many Saskatchewan school boards at the time were to be mailed comprehensive details about the new legislation.) Now – as it has been for decades – all school boards in the province are members of the SSBA.