

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- **The Board meeting started with a prayer and reflection led by Trustee Patricia Gottselig. The reading from James focused our attention on our need to put our trust and reliance on God; persevere when we are tested; and seek God’s Wisdom when making important decisions.**
- **February 13th to 18th was Staff Appreciation Week ... it gives employers an opportunity to let all staff know just how valued they are and how needed they are in order to contribute to the success of the Organization. Board members delivered fruit trays to each of our schools during the week as a small token of the Board’s appreciation.**
- **Our Trustee and Administration Team will be meeting with our counterparts from Prairie South School Division in May. This is an annual occurrence which gives us an opportunity to discuss issues both school divisions are facing, as well as an opportunity to renew friendships and network.**
- **Chairperson Mark Corbin was pleased to report that a new Local Agreement with the Holy Trinity Teachers’ Association has been ratified by both the Board and the Teachers. The agreement covers things such as special allowances, substitute rates, various leave entitlements, etc. It is a two year agreement expiring in July of 2013.**
- **The Board approved the school calendars for the 2012-2013 school year. Due to the change in Provincial Legislation, students cannot begin the new school year until after the long weekend in September. This means that Vanier will return to a balanced school year in September. The calendars which have been approved following discussions with teaching staff have been able to meet the requirements of the Ministry and at the same time provide teachers and students with the mid-winter week off in February.**
- **The highlight of the meeting was the unveiling and adoption of the name for our new school in Swift Current. After a lengthy process of soliciting, screening, short listing and eventually choosing a name; the Board is pleased to announce that our brand new facility scheduled to be opened Sept. of 2014 will be called “ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL”**