

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- **The Board meeting started with a prayer and reflection taken from Psalm 139 ... phrases such as “*Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely*” and “*In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed*” point to the intimate relationship our God has with each and every one of us. A relationship we need to emulate with one another.**
- **Prior to the Regular Board meeting, the Board held its Organizational Meeting ... congratulations to Mark Corbin who will stay on as Chairperson for another year, as well as Debbie Olesen who will continue as Vice-Chairperson. The Board also set the dates for the Regular Meetings that will take place between now and next November. The dates will be included with the November Board minutes and appear on the Division web page once they are approved at the December meeting.**
- **Principal Shannon Pearce and a delegation of staff from St. Michael’s Developmental Centre attended the Board Meeting and provided an enthusiastic and comprehensive presentation about their program. The Development Centre program specifically attends to the educational needs of multiply disabled students. This very dedicated group including one member who joined the presentation from Mexico via SKYPE went over a variety of topics and examples including ... learning self-care & friendship; academic learning; communication; motor skills – to name a few.**
- **A number of Board members reported on attending a variety of school functions such as the Elementary Band Concert; Vanier’s Smart Risk rally where Mayor Hagel and Brad Hill were judges; and Phoenix students meeting the candidates running in the Provincial election. Congratulations to Vanier’s football team who won the District playoffs with an undefeated season. Many of the Board members will also be attending Remembrance Day ceremonies being held at the schools this week.**

- **Trustee Lucy Gehl provided the following interesting “Education Week” highlights that took place at St. Patrick school in Swift Current:**
 - ❖ **The focus was on “Technology”**
 - ❖ **A daily pedometer count for grades 1 thru 5 (Monday to Friday) logged 1.9 million steps!**
 - ❖ **A number of guests were invited to the school to talk about how technology affects them in their jobs ... following is a sampling of these presentations:**
 - ❖ **Darren Evian, Assistant Coach of the Swift Current Broncos showed students how they use lap tops and projectors to break down plays for the players.**
 - ❖ **Constable Cory Schultz from the RCMP talked to the students about internet safety.**
 - ❖ **Stephanie Kudak from the Swift Current Museum brought in a variety of old technology and had the students guess what they were used for.**
 - ❖ **Other presenters included: Daniel Johnson, CEO of Innovation Credit Union; Carla Cronan from the Cypress Health Region; and Lisa Knock from Public Health.**

- **Director of Education, Celeste York reported that on November 16th Stantec Architects will unveil preliminary designs for the new Swift Current School to staff of St. Joseph Middle School and St. Patrick Elementary School.**

- **Holy Trinity is pleased to make a joint submission with Prairie South school division of the “School In-Motion Project” for the Premier’s Board of Education Award 2011.**

- **Board members will be attending the Saskatchewan School Boards Association Annual Conference in Saskatoon on November 28th and 29th where a variety of Provincial resolutions will be discussed and voted on by Trustees from all across the 29 school divisions in Saskatchewan.**