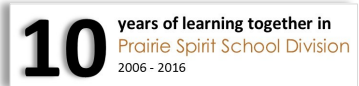




Board of Education Highlights

Prairie Spirit officials had a tour of the new Traditions Elementary School in Warman on September 13. Left to right: John Kuzbik, Director of Education; Gary Philipchuk, Vice-Principal of Warman High School and Warman City Councillor; Amber Moar, Prairie Spirit Facilities Technologist; Larry Pavloff, Board Chair; Sam Dyck, Board Vice-Chair; and Noel Roche, Learning Superintendent

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Board elections - Wednesday, October 26

Board of Education elections will be held on Wednesday, October 26. Trustees will be elected for a four-year term (2016-2020). Prairie Spirit has [12 Trustees](#) representing voters and ratepayers across the school division. The Board meets regularly to oversee and govern the work of the school division. In addition, the Board actively advocates to local and provincial levels of government on behalf of the school division.

Nominations for the upcoming elections closed on Wednesday, September 21. Please go to the following [link](#) to view the list of candidates for the upcoming election. There will be elections in Subdivisions 1 and 2, while the candidates in the remaining Subdivisions have been acclaimed.

Because no nominations were filed for Subdivision 11 (Muskeg Lake) by the nomination deadline, a second call for nominations will be open until Wednesday, October 5.

For more information on Board elections in Saskatchewan, go to the [Saskatchewan School Boards Association](#).

Preventative Maintenance and Renewal plan approved

The Board approved the school division's three-year Preventative Maintenance and Renewal (PMR) plan at its meeting on June 6. The Ministry requires this plan to be approved each year by the Board of Education.

Each school division's PMR budget is announced annually as part of the provincial budget. The allocation is based solely on the square footage of the buildings in the school division.

Although the school division plan lists over \$50 million in needed maintenance projects, Prairie Spirit's PMR budget for 2016/17 is \$1.7 million. Projects that exceed this budget must be approved by the Ministry of Education.



A view from the second floor of the Traditions Elementary School in Warman

Aberdeen Composite presentation to Board

Donna Duriez and Deane Martin-Gray, Aberdeen Composite School administrators, presented a report to the Board during the June 6 meeting. They highlighted the school's garden in an inner courtyard which has become an outdoor classroom. The school grows seedlings in the spring which are transplanted to the garden and then harvested in the fall.

The garden has ties to various curricula for several grades. "It's a learning place. It's amazing and it's become an integral part of our school," said Duriez. "The garden has become a classroom." The school has supported the garden by holding an art gala fundraiser.

The administrators said the *My Prairie Spirit Classroom* document has been a good focus for teachers, with the Learning Facilitator providing effective support.

The Board thanked the Aberdeen administrators for their excellent work with their students.

Prairie Spirit Board of Education



Subdivision 1

Pam Wieler

*Blaine Lake
Laird
Leask
Waldheim
Green Leaf, Riverbend
and Leask Colonies*



Subdivision 2

Keith Wagner

*Duck Lake
Hague
Rosthern*



Subdivision 3

Ken Crush

*Borden
Langham*



Subdivision 4

George Janzen

*Dalmeny
Hepburn
Osler*



Subdivision 5

Larry Pavloff
Board Chair

*Asquith
Perdue
Eagle Creek Colony
Sunnydale Colony*



Subdivision 6

Bernie Howe

*Delisle
Pike Lake
Vanscoy
Willow Park Colony*



Subdivision 7

Dawne Badrock

*Clavet
Dundurn
Hanley
South Corman Park
Hillcrest Colony
Lost River Colony*



Subdivision 8

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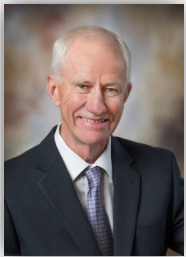
*Aberdeen
Allan
Colonsay
Riverview Colony*



Subdivision 9

Bonnie Hope

Martensville



Subdivision 10

Sam Dyck

Board Vice-Chair

Warman



Subdivision 11

Deanna Greyeyes

*Muskeg Lake
Cree Nation*



Subdivision 12

Shantelle Watson

*Mistawasis
First Nation*



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Next Board of Education meeting:

Monday, October 3, Division Office, Warman

The purpose of the **Board of Education Highlights** newsletter is to inform Prairie Spirit staff about the work of the Board of Education and its impact on student learning and staff supports.

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