

Delegation – Youth Voices

The director of Francophonie Jeunesse de l'Alberta, Casey Edmunds, shared the results of a brain-storming exercise held in October with eight youth from four francophone schools, students from Campus Saint-Jean, Youth Project Coordinators (RPJ), six school principals and the Chair and superintendent of Conseil scolaire. The youth proposed the establishment of an approach that would facilitate exchanges between youth and the Board, and with school administration. They asked for a \$6,000 donation to finance an initial conference in Spring 2016 for 40 youths.

Delegation from École Joseph-Moreau's school council

The matter of the infrastructure equivalency of École Joseph-Moreau and other francophone schools in Edmonton, was presented by the chair of the École Joseph-Moreau school council, Pierre Asselin. He suggested both the Government of Alberta and Centre-Nord haven't done enough to remediate the problem. He believes Conseil should follow the example of the parents of École Rose-des-Vents in Vancouver who won their case in the Supreme Court last April. Mr. Asselin says the inadequate condition of the school is a violation to sec. 23 of the *Charter*. He asked the Board to join right-holder parents and to file a case against the Government of Alberta. He has the Board to respond to his request within 30 days.

Delegation from École des Fondateurs' school council

The chair of École des Fondateurs' school council, Sébastien D'Eschambeault, asked the Board to manage the preschool program and to add grade 7 in 2016-2017.

Legal advice on high school study

The legal advice provided by Power Law on the implications of combining public and catholic high schools in the same building in Edmonton will be posted on the Board's website.

Three-year Education plan (2015-2018) and Annual Education Results Report (2014-2015)

The Board adopted the Three-year Education plan (2015-2018) and the Annual Education Results Report (2014-2015). Both documents will be submitted to Alberta Education and post them on its website.

École des Fondateurs

The official school opening ceremony was held on November 19. In attendance were the Mayor of Camrose, Norm Mayer, the Board's chair, Kevin Bell, the school council chair, Sébastien D'Eschambeault, as well as other dignitaries and most families.

Prize awarded by the Federation of francophone school boards of Alberta

Congratulations to Rita Hébert who received the Joseph-Forget award in honor of her exceptional contribution over 20 years as a teacher and principal at École Père-Lacombe and École Sainte-Jeanne-d'Arc.

École francophone de Sherwood Park

At the request of the Minister of Education, a consultation session with parents of École francophone de Sherwood Park was held on November 26.

The main objective was to garner their views on the sharing of New Horizons Charter School site where a francophone starter up school will be installed.

École Saint-Vital

On November 10, the three Beaumont school boards were invited to present their current and upcoming construction projects to the Town Council. CSCN's superintendent, Henri Lemire, reminded the councillors of the Board's request made in Summer 2014 to set aside a school site for the eventual construction of École Saint-Vital.

Request under the Modular Classroom Program

The Board ratified administration's recommendation to request modular classrooms for these schools in the following order: Notre-Dame (3); La Mission (1); Gabrielle-Roy (2).

Financing of modular classrooms

Alberta Education confirmed financing in the sum of \$1,576,261 for the installation of seven modular classrooms at École Notre-Dame, École Père-Lacombe and École Sainte-Jeanne-d'Arc, as well connecting corridors at the latter two. Another amount was confirmed for a modular classroom at École À la Découverte, but it won't be installed this year because the school has access to another classroom inside Kensington School.

Next meetings

The Board will hold an extraordinary meeting on December 8 to adopt the budget and to receive the audited financial statements for 2014-2015.