

## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

### 2025-2026 Budget Update

The CSNO's 2025-2026 budget adjustment shows increased funding, thanks to a significant increase in the nutrition program subsidy, following the agreement between the federal and provincial governments for the National School Food Program. The instructional budget also saw a slight increase, reflecting enrolment growth and salary adjustments for certified staff under the new collective agreement.

### Trip to Quebec - ÉNF

The Board approved École Nouvelle Frontière's trip to Quebec, which will take place from June 23 to July 2, 2026, for students in grades 7 to 9.

### School Councils Meeting

School councils are invited to the annual meeting with school trustees to be held on March 24 in St-Isidore, a valuable opportunity to discuss the CSNO's strategic framework. In addition, the trustees have committed to resuming their participation in school council meetings.

### Recognition evening

A recognition evening was held on January 6 to acknowledge the commitment and years of service of the outgoing school trustees: Sylvianne Maisonneuve (12 years old), Mario Paradis (18 years old) and Pascal Leclerc (4 years old).

### Governance Training

School trustees and administrators are participating in the **Professional School Trustee Designation Program**. This governance training program, offered by the Centre for Excellence in organizational Governance, consists of 40 hours over two years and leads to a micro-credential from the University of Sudbury. The first session took place in Edmonton on December 5 and 6, with the remainder of the program to be delivered through virtual and in-person sessions.

### Policies

Policies 3 (Role and Responsibilities of School Trustees), 4 (Role and Responsibilities of the Chair) and 5 (Role and Responsibilities of the Vice-Chair) will be reviewed by the Governance Committee. [See CSNO's policies](#).

### Superintendent's Report

Updates were provided on the implementation of the *Value Scoping* projects for pre-planning in Slave Lake and High Level. A letter of interest has been received from a family in Slave Lake, and a meeting with the Town of Slave Lake will take place in the coming weeks. Regarding the 2026-2027 school calendar, the administration is favouring a more uniform approach across the three schools, and a draft will be submitted in March. Efforts continue to secure adequate funding to address issues with the heating system at École des Quatre-Vents, including a letter to Alberta Infrastructure.



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### Amendment to the Regular Meeting Schedule

The Board approved an amendment to the regular meeting schedule, **moving the May 19, 2026, meeting to May 26, 2026**. The time (2 p.m.) and location (head office) remain unchanged.

### Representation of the Board

Since the last meeting in November, Trustees have participated in several networking and advocacy events, including:

- CATSA, FCSFA, ASBA Zone 1, TEBA and SCORES
- AGM of the FPFP and Nord-Ouest FM;
- Consultation for a 2nd school in Grande Prairie
- Governance Training (DISCITUS)
- Kick-off of the 100th ACFA
- Christmas Celebrations in Schools
- Governance Committee
- Appreciation evening for outgoing trustees

### INVITATION

The public is invited to attend Board meetings and may request that an item be added to the agenda by contacting, one week in advance, Ms. Rachelle Bergeron, Corporate Secretary, at 780-624-8855 or 1-866-624-8855.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### CONSULT THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDARS.

February 4-6	Professional Development Day – ALL (NCTCA Teachers' Conference)
February 16	Family Day – ALL (Statutory Holiday)
February 27	Professional Development Day (ÉNF)
March 6	Professional Development Day (ÉQV / ÉHÉ)
March 10	School Board Meeting (2 p.m. St-Isidore)

