

Board Chair's Report

OCTOBER 9, 2019

Chief Superintendent Search

Late last spring, Chief Superintendent Gary Strother, after a career spanning over thirty years with Calgary Catholic, announced his retirement, effective February 29, 2020. With this announcement, the Board of Trustees began to lay the foundations for one of our most important roles – that of recruiting the very best individual to lead CCSD. Since formally accepting Chief Superintendent Strother's letter confirming his intent to retire at our last regular board meeting of the 2018-2019 school year (June 19), much work has been accomplished, to date - the Board has:

- Retained the services of Mr. Terry Gunderson, of the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA), to facilitate the recruitment of a new Chief Superintendent
- Created a draft Ideal Candidate Profile
- Developed a survey to engage our stakeholders with respect to what traits, skills and qualities are most desirable in a Chief Superintendent

It is the sincere hope of the Board that all will take the time to complete this survey, as it will inform in a significant way, what Chief Superintendent candidate profile will best meet the needs of the District.

Take the survey here: <https://www.cssd.ab.ca/News/layouts/15/ci/post.aspx?oaid=936405e6-7b34-4bd4-81f3-edc255e906e9&oact=20001>

Metro Chair Meeting

On October 2nd, the Chairs of the four metro school districts in Alberta (Calgary Board of Education, Calgary Catholic School District, Edmonton Public Schools, Edmonton Catholic School District) met to discuss opportunities to collaborate. Unique in demographics and scale, working cooperatively with respect to advocacy on items of shared concern has tremendous promise in terms of supporting the best outcomes for our students.

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