



Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division

Excellence for Every Learner

Board Highlights November 28, 2022

Saskatchewan Rivers School Division Director of Education Announces Retirement

Director of Education for Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division, Robert Bratvold, has decided to retire. With mixed emotions, the Board has accepted his resignation. Bratvold has been our Director of Education since 2011 and his caring and thoughtful leadership has helped the Division navigate many challenges and celebrate many achievements. Under his leadership, the Division navigated threats to school board autonomy and managed budgets during severely challenging financial times. Despite the challenges, Bratvold has supported the Division in establishing meaningful partnerships, revitalizing its policy and procedures, expanding its student programming, and growing the Division's passion and capacity for inclusion.

The Board's emotions are mixed as trustees are feeling thankful for the years of his effective leadership, excited for Robert to begin the next part of his life, but also sad as the Board will miss his presence at the Board table and his guidance in the Division. Bratvold's last official day with the Division will be July 31, 2023 so he has provided the Board ample time to ensure a thorough process in the search for a new director. The Board will begin that recruitment process later this week. Please join the Board in thanking Robert for his dedicated service to the students, families and staff of the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division.

Saskatchewan Rivers School Division Well Represented at Queen's Jubilee Medal Awards

On Friday November 18th, several Saskatchewan Rivers School Division representatives were honored at the Queen's Jubilee Medal Awards. Trustee's Grant Gustafson, Barry Hollick, and Arne Lindberg received medals. Director Robert Bratvold also received a medal as well as one of our Educational Assistants John Brady Macdonald, and a member of our Elders Council, Liz Settee. The recipients remarked that the work they've done to receive this recognition they do not do alone, that it is the work of the division as a team that shines through. The Board congratulates all of the recipients, and is proud of the work they do for our students in our division.

Audited Financials for the 2021/22 School Year

CFO Jerrold Pidborochynski presented the Division's audited financial statements for the previous fiscal year which ended August 31, 2022. Each year the Board contracts an external auditor to review the financial management and records of the division. At its recent meeting representatives from the auditing firm of MNP. The auditor indicated that the SRPSD financial house is in good order. There was strong evidence of effective and appropriate financial management and accounting, and MNP issued a "clean audit" for the division.

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