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## Capital Projects Update

Facility Services updated the Board on three current capital projects in the division: the modernization project for Grande Cache Community High School (GCCHS), the replacement school in Edson, and the renovation project at Grand Trunk High School in Evansburg.

### Grande Cache:

Phase 3 was completed over the summer. Phase 2 and Phase 4 (library and classrooms) will be completed and handed over on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Classrooms 119 and 120 will be completed by September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. The library is scheduled to move at the end of August. Phase 5 (gymnasium and administrative areas) footings and foundation work and masonry work has started. The majority of the site work including curbs, walks and paving will be completed by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

### Edson:

The Edson Replacement School Project will be an Alberta Infrastructure managed project under the Design – Bid – Build approach. Tenders closed on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with the contract awarded to the lowest tender submitted by United Construction Company in the amount of \$12,117,369. A construction trailer and temporary fencing are being placed on-site during the week of August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016.

### Evansburg:

The construction of the new student gathering area and new staff lounge started at the beginning of July 2016 and is nearing completion. Demolition

was completed the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of July. The project is scheduled for completion in late August.

### **Other News in Brief**

- The Annual Communications Plan was approved by the Board which highlights the division's communications strategies for the 2016-17 school year.
- Trustees ratified the Division Bus Driver Agreement for a three year period beginning retroactively from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and ending on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018.
- The 2016-17 Schedule of Superintendent and Monitoring Reports was provided to trustees which sets out a guide on providing information to the Board on the division's various initiatives and results throughout the year.
- As per Policy 19 - Staff Recognition, the Board was very pleased to learn that a total of 77 staff will be receiving continuous long service awards this year at the annual welcome back events celebrated throughout the division in the communities of Wildwood, Edson, Hinton, Grande Cache and Jasper. Service awards are being recognized from 5 years up to 40 years at this year's events. Congratulations to all recipients!

