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GSSD Board of Education Suspends School Review

At its Regular Board meeting of Thursday, October 4, 2018 the Good Spirit School Division Board of Education passed a motion to undertake the school review process at Calder School in Calder, Saskatchewan which had been identified for review based upon the criteria established in Board Policy 17 and *The School Division Administration Regulations*.

Part of the division's review process involved providing the School Community Council (SCC) with a School Review document, which contained data pertaining to enrolment figures, location, transportation considerations, grade configuration, staffing, operational costs, facility standards, program offerings, and extra-curricular activities.

Good Spirit School Division Board of Education Trustee and Administration were invited to attend an information meeting with Calder School SCC on October 17, 2018 at Calder School. The focus of the meeting was to discuss transportation routes.

On October 17, 2018 the Calder School SCC passed a motion supporting the Board's decision to close Calder School. On November 22, 2018 the Good Spirit School Division Board of Education voted to close Calder School at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

The SCC recognizes that change can be challenging and they will continue to commit to ensuring successful educational opportunities for their students now and into the future. The Good Spirit School Division and the School Community Council of Calder School, in collaboration with the receiving school community council will begin the transition planning process.

The decision takes effect prior to the start of the 2019-20 school year.

For further information, contact Mr. Quintin Robertson, Director of Education, at 306-786-5500.

Good Spirit School Division No. 204 is Located within Treaty 4 Territory and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis

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