



# DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

The year we leave behind was one of many successes. The Prince Albert Grand Council achieved many things, but notably, as a team. Last April we successfully hosted the Saskatchewan First Nations Winter Games here in Prince Albert. With our Sports Culture & Recreation Department leading our staff and volunteers, our leadership knew we would ensure all in attendance would feel welcomed and be in awe of the calibre of athletics and sportsmanship.

By far the most exciting events that took place this past year would have to be the PAGC Youth Conference and the fact that one of our schools placed fifth in Canada in "Mathletics". This past March, the PAGC hosted its first youth conference with the theme, "Suicide Prevention, Bullying and Technology" there were over 75 youth from across the PAGC that participated in this two-day event. Students from Father Porte Memorial School placed fifth in Canada as a result of a math program that was purchased and implemented for K - 12 students. This on line programming has been instrumental in improving numeracy skills for our students while they have the opportunity to have fun.

Within the personnel department work was done to secure funding to continue the Strategic planning process for three more years. We are also happy to have completed the final draft of the 2015 edition of the PAGC Personnel Manual.

The department of Health and social development reports a successful residential school support conference. They have been making use of social media such as YouTube and Facebook communication. We are also happy to report the development of Shoal Lake Cree Nation new daycare, Headstart facility as well as a new dental facility. Our PAGC Communities have one of the highest immunization rates in the province.



Housing and Technical Services were able to do great work as well, they have established a contract for 10,000 smoke detectors in every first nation house on reserve in Saskatchewan. They have also developed their own fire extinguisher fill and test facilities.

Regular Program Manager Meetings are held to keep all department up to speed with each department and promote that teamwork we are so proud of. Together we have created policies and decisions that will help our staff to do the stellar work they do so well.

This past year we continued to show the strength of PAGC through a combination of dedication and teamwork. We can all stand back and be proud of what we have accomplished. Great strides have been made towards the betterment of the PAGC and our member communities. Good work to you all and I look forward to working with you in all our exciting upcoming endeavors!