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Farewell School District No.273 fonds. - [textual record]. - 1893-1920. - 14.5 cm of textual records.

Boxes V-31, H-33

Administrative history

On Friday, May 12, 1893 the residents south and west of the present site of Tuxford met at the home of John Wesley Astleford to discuss the formation of a new school district. The first trustees of the Farewell (also spelled Fairwell) School were Lawrence B. King, William Spence and Joseph Astleford. The school was built on the NW corner of the SE quarter of Section 34 Township 18 Range 27. In 1903 the school was moved to the NE corner of Section 2 Township 19 Range 27 nearer to the centre of the school district. The first teacher hired is unknown. Other early teachers were Mr. V.J. McWilliams (1899), Elbert J. Whitman (1904), Brenda C. Melville (1907), Lorne MacEown (1910), Jean Omand (1911). The children from Tuxford attended Farewell School until Tuxford School opened in 1909. There became a shortage of school aged children in the Farewell district and the school was forced to close. Some of the students went to Marquis and some to Tuxford. The district was not terminated and no taxes were paid. On March 30, 1920 the Farewell School District dissolved.

Scope and content

This fonds consists of a ratepayers assessment roll for the years 1904-1912, financial records consisting of receipts, cheques 1895-1920 and a bank book for the years 1908-1916, and the secretary-treasurer's files consisting of correspondence, reports, contracts, and financial papers, from the years 1893-1917.

Physical description

The assessment roll book is tattered and very brittle. The outer covers are missing.

Conservation Note

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004.

Note of immediate source of acquisition

Accession number 58.BA donated to the archives by unknown.

Accruals

No further accruals expected.

Finding aids

See file list.

File List

001 - Correspondence and files of secretary treasurer 1893-1917

002 - Bank Account Book 1908-1916

003 - Receipts 1895-1905

004 - Receipts 1906-1909

005 - Receipts 1910-1920

006 - Assessment Roll 1904-1912