

ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS



November 24, 2009

Admin VP Report – regular outflows, will start to see movement in Convention line as deposits are made. Directory will be over budget as explained at October Assembly.

President's Report – World Teacher Day collections are up again this year - \$1338.96. We are open to looking at ways to improve our Association – if you have any ideas or suggestions talk to one of our Executive members they will assist you. Continue to advocate to have teachers recognized as a high risk category when it comes to vaccinations. Want to know more about the Bargaining process - invite Dianne Woloschuk and or myself to your school. Increasing teacher engagement and understanding of the process is the first step. Log on to the member section of the STF website to find great resources to assist in understanding. Currently, early in the process – information gathering is ongoing from a variety of teacher groups as the proposal for Teacher Consideration is developed. The Proposals for Teachers' Consideration will be available to every STF member early in the new year. The STA will assist in offering feedback and provide direction to our bargaining team as they move forward. Bargaining is all about give and take, to expect everything that we include in our asking package is unreasonable. We are committed to seeing salary as the highest priority - council passed such a resolution in October. We will work together to secure the best contract possible.

Superannuation – look for “Top 10 Reasons for Superannuates to Attend the Banquet” email poster – please post in staff room and provide a copy to members who may be superannuating this year. Final call for anyone who wants to be the MC at the banquet. Call Shirley Goodrich (1-306-682-3801) or Diane Anderson (683-7210).

New Teacher Orientation – Circle February 2, 2010 as the date. RSVP's can be made at the office – email addresses are on the cover of the directory.

Service Recognition Award – nomination guidelines were reviewed with updates – forms are on the website. Deadline for nominations is Monday December 14, 2009.

Convention – committee has met twice since last meeting, contracts are being finalized for the two keynotes – will be announced at next Assembly meeting. There will be social event on the Thursday evening following Convention.

Resolutions – deadline for submission to the STA is Tuesday December 15 at 1:00 pm. Guidelines on how to write a resolution can be found on our website or the STF site. These resolutions will be debated at the January Assembly meeting with those passed being submitted to the STF for Spring Council. Any member can submit a resolution directly to the STF – deadline is February 15, 2010.

Catholic Section

LINC has planned a meeting before Christmas

Shirley Goodrich can be reached at (1084) regarding superannuating teachers

Camille St. Amand will accept members wishing to join the Environmental Committee.

Constitution Committee meets next week.

TRC Development session in small groups tabulated topics for discussion. Topics included teacher morale and worklife, technology, H1N1 readiness. All topics were forwarded to Shelley Lord, TRC chair.

Adequate pay for extra workload was discussed with regards to Provincial Bargaining.

Catholic Caucus will be booked in January

Al Boutin and Brendan Bitz will attend our Feb. meeting