

# PALLIESER DISTRICT TEACHERS' CONVENTION ASSOCIATION

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## *2014-15 Year End Report from the Vice President*

This was my fifth year as Vice-President and 17<sup>th</sup> and final year on the Palliser Convention Board. I enjoyed being apart of this year's convention and the many successful conventions prior.

Thank you to all board members for signing up for duties throughout convention. Your presence and visibility in the hallways to answer questions and direct delegates was important to a successful convention.

Duty sign up was again done through a Google Doc format, allowing board members to sign up for duties prior to the January board meeting. Specific duties tied to convention chairs were incorporated in the duty sign up (Exhibits, Facilities, Publicity). Next year, I recommend having two board members assigned to put up the large Convention posters, session signs for each room, and full signs in the Telus Convention Centre prior to the start of convention. Thanks to Michael Shane for previously completing these duties by himself.

Lianne Enderton was our honorary president for 2015. I had the pleasure of presenting Lianne with her gifts at the reception on Wednesday evening in the Atrium.

We also honored two former members for long-term service, Shari Visvanathan (7 years) who attended the reception and Kelly Smith (6 years) who was unable to attend. A gift certificate to Indigo was given as a thank you to both former board members. Michelle Silver-Rushford (24 years) and Sharon Rhodes (20 years) were unable to attend the reception. I recommend because of their many years of service that they be invited and honored at next year's reception.

Nametags were distributed to new members. Smaller sizes of our red-orange vests will need to be ordered for new board members next year.

I would like to thank all the board members for their help and support during convention. I have enjoyed my many years on the convention board, learning new skills (i.e. ordering fabulous meals), organizing and making charts, working with fabulous people and meeting interesting speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Raitz