

Program Report - May 29 & 30, 2015
Submitted by Andrea Craigie - Program Chair

- Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the Program Sub-Committee.
 - **Members:** Derek Keenan (Program Assistant), Jennifer Williams, Michael Shain, Paulette Morck, Theresa O'Neil and Yvonne Toney
- Program Committee members have committed to invite possible presenters who were well evaluated at other conventions, across the range of topics and levels, so as to ensure a balanced range of submissions for summer consideration.
- All Board Members – please think of anyone in your professional network who might make a great convention presenter. Please **personally invite** these people to the link on our website and encourage them to submit a proposal. I will forward everyone a possible email template for you to use, or you can craft your own. Please **ask your Local secretaries to forward the request to all teachers in your local as well.** Deadline for session submissions: June 30, 2015.

<http://www.pdtca.org/submit-speaking-proposal.html>

- Program Committee members will do a digital vetting of proposals in early July for creation of the preliminary program.
- Featured Speakers booked so far:
 - Paula Kluth (inclusion and differentiation)
<http://www.paulakluth.com/about-paula/>
 - David Posen (worklife balance, stress and burnout)
<http://www.davidposen.com/>
 - (Pending) Senator (and Stanley Cup winning former NHL coach) Jaques Demers (his story of being functionally illiterate)
- Questions from potential speakers and/or speaker suggestions can be sent to palliserteachers@gmail.com
- Many fellow convention boards are going “Themeless” going forward. (GASP!) Thoughts?