



Palliser District Teachers' Convention Association



Minutes
Executive Board Meeting
Hyatt Hotel
September 18, 2015
5:00 p.m.

In attendance:

L. Neville, S. Leppa, S. Paton, J. Fenton, J. Munton, A. Craigie, B. Yagos, T. Hrysak

Absent:

D. Sellars-Myshchyshyn, C. Mertens

1. **Call to order** – 5:10 p.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

- **Motion: L.Neville/S.Paton that the agenda be approved. Carried.**

3. **Minutes of previous meeting**

- **Motion: L.Neville/S.Paton that the minutes are accepted as posted. Carried.**

4. **Correspondence**

- Notice of Absence from Chris Mertens (Friday only), D. Sellars-Myshchyshyn, Irene Foster, Trudy Crosby, Barbara King, Derek Keenan, Laura Lee Hrabok
- Strategic Planning Grant from Barnett House
- Email from Barb Bossart - Central East Alberta and Mighty Peace teachers' conventions will **not** held on the same week next year **for 2016 only.**
- Email from Barb Bossart – Convention schedule from 2016 to 2025
- Email from Barb Bossart - discussion at Summer Conference regarding goals for collaboration between Specialist Councils and Teachers' Convention Association

5. **Treasurer's Report**

- S. Leppa presented the financial report.
- Will present Audited Financial Report and request everyone to take it back to their local
- Will present a deficit budget of 25,000.00 – will explain this at tomorrow's meeting
- Fees for locals will not be increased this year
- Treasurers meeting October 30, 2105 – S. Leppa will be attending

6. **Reports**

6.1. **President** – J. Fenton – no report

6.2. **Vice President** - J. Munton reported. (no written report)

- Will hand out vests tomorrow and get a list of people who need name tags

6.3. Program – A. Craigie - report posted

- Program Chair Email: palliserteachers@gmail.com
- Free WiFi will be provided on Friday in the CTCC to delegates attending the hands-on Technology sessions
- 429 submissions
- 30 sessions from Locally Developed Speakers
- 203 onsite sessions
- 8 offsite sessions (all new)
 - SAIT: work working/cabinetry, plumbing, sheet metal work
 - Kananaskis: 2-Day Outdoor Education Certification course
 - Masters Academy Gymnasium: Brazilian Martial Arts, Net-Ball and Speed Badminton (Using - North Palliser Schools Gymnasium)
 - Commercial Kitchen Culinary Arts tour
- **Featured Speakers** booked:
 - **Thursday**
 - Paula Kluth – Inclusion and differentiation
 - David Posen – Work life balance, stress and burnout
 - Sheldon Kennedy – Child Advocacy
 - **Friday**
 - **ATA President – Mark Ramsanker**

6.4. Facilities – L. Neville – report posted

- Contracts are signed with the CTCC for our 2016 convention
 - We have decreased our number blocks for 2017 in our contracts
- **Dates for upcoming Convention Meetings:**
 - Sept 18/19, 2015
 - December 4, 2015 (Exec. Only)
 - Jan. 15/16, 2016
 - Feb. 18/19, 2016 – Annual Convention
 - April 29/30, 2016
 - May 27/28, 2016
- **Room Rates** for 2016 – Book now until Jan. 18, 2016 at the convention rate
 - Hyatt: Single/Double \$219.00, Triple \$254.00, Quad \$289.00 – plus 12.27% tax
 - Palliser Single/Double \$229.00 (+30 for each additional person.)
Junior Suite \$309.00, 1 Bedroom Suite \$329.00
- **Bands/Music** this year are:
 - **Palliser Band**
 - **Foothills**
 - **Livingstone Range Bands**
- Please email [L. Neville](#) the name of the [Director](#) for band/musical group ASAP so he can contact them

6.5. Publicity/Website/Evaluations – B. Yagos – report posted

- Program is complete and ready for delegates to view
- Program is up on the website – very easy to navigate
- Website is continually being updated

6.6. **Exhibits** – T. Hrysak – report posted

- Rates for regular fee - \$535.00 + tax \$561.75 per booth, Not for profit rate is \$435.00 + tax \$456.75
- 67 Booths are spoken for but not all paid
- 10% of total number are not for profit – all but 4 have been booked

6.7. **Past President** – C. Mertens – (absent) - report posted

6.8. **Secretary** – S. Paton

- Information is always posted on the web page.

6.9. **D.R.** – D. Sellars-Myshchyshyn (absent) no report

L.Neville/S. Paton moved that the reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

7. **Old Business**

- None

8. **New Business**

8.1. **Fall PDAC** – November 6 & 7, 2015 Edmonton

- Jen Munton would like to attend.

8.2. **Convention Association Meeting** – November 5

- Andrea Craigie will attend and one other person TBA

8.3. **Summer Conference Report** – report posted

- Chris Mertens attended

8.4. **Honorary President 2016**

- Nominations will be presented at tomorrows meeting

8.5. **Invitation to Minister of Education**

- Larry Neville/s. paton moved that we invite the Minister of Education. carried

8.6. **Budget**

- S. Leppa will present the budget tomorrow at the board meeting

9. **Action Items**

- Palliser North Local has added 65 new teachers to their local – which will be part of our Convention and will be in attendance starting 2016.

Meeting adjourned by J. Munton/S. Paton at 6:15 p.m.