



# Palliser District Teachers' Convention Association



Minutes  
Executive Board Meeting  
Hyatt Hotel  
May 26, 2017  
5:00 p.m.

## In attendance:

S. Leppa, S. Paton, J. Fenton, J. Munton, A. Craigie, T. Hrysak, L. Neville, P. Morck, D. Sellars-Myshchysyn

## Absent:

B. Yagos,

1. **Call to order** – 5:01 p.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
  - **Motion: T.Hrysak/spaton that the agenda be approved. Carried.**
3. **Minutes of previous meeting**
  - **Motion: S.Leppa/spaton that the minutes are accepted as posted. Carried.**
4. **Correspondence**
  - Notice of Absence from A. Amirault, A. Rai Nannan, B. Yagos, D. Sutter, A. Doyle, A. Rott, Leslie Gibson.
  - From: Sharon Vogrinetz – Summer Conference Director - Information and Registration for ATA Summer Conference
5. **Treasurer's Report**
  - S. Leppa presented the financial report.
  - S. Leppa attended the Convention Treasurers meeting
    - Didi Heer – Presented for the Treasures Meeting from Barnett House
    - D. Grassick – was a presenter for Convention policy items
6. **Reports**
  - 6.1. **President** – A. Craigie – report posted
    - President Email: [president@pdtca.org](mailto:president@pdtca.org)
    - Met with J. Fenton to discuss transition into President
    - Met with new Program Chair Paulette Morck to discuss transition
    - Attended the “Design Thinking for a Better Convention”
    - Attended the Spring Convention Meeting
  - 6.2. **Vice President** - J. Munton (report posted)
    - Will mention tomorrow for board members to start thinking about nominating the 2017 Honorary President – see policy 9.3 for criteria

### 6.3. Program – P. Morck

- **Program Chair Email:** [program@pdtca.org](mailto:program@pdtca.org)
- **Program Assistant** – C. Crane
- **Program committee** – will ask who would like to be on this committee at tomorrow's full board meeting
- At the annual **Spring Convention Meeting**, program chairs from the ten convention associations identified the following five themes that of contemporary relevance that should be reflected in convention programming this year:
  - Inclusive Education
  - Education for Reconciliation
  - Holistic Health & Wellness (for students and teachers)
  - The Importance of Play
  - Educational Change (curriculum change, updated TQS, high school flexibility, 21st century learning, etc.)
- **Convention Themes: also discussed at the Spring Convention Meeting**
  - Convention themes are not supposed to be like book titles, tag lines from movie trailers, or the decorating motif for a graduation;
  - They should represent the central thrusts or goals the convention association has set that guides the types of professional learning opportunities they offer their members.
- **Featured Speakers**
  - None are booked at this time but have some ideas to pursue
- **Deadline is June 30/17 to submit speaking proposals** – get the word out - <http://www.pdtca.org/submit-speaking-proposal.html>

### 6.4. Facilities – J. White (No written report)

- **Contracts** are signed with the CTCC for our 2018, 2019, 2020 conventions
- **Convention Meeting Dates**
  - May 26/27, 2017
  - September 22/23, 2017
  - December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 (Executive only)
  - January 12/13, 2018
  - February 22/23, 2018 (Annual Convention)
  - April 6/7, 2018
- **Room Rates** for 2018 – Book now until Jan. 22, 2018 at the convention rate
  - Hyatt: Single/Double \$239.00 plus 12.27% tax
  - Fairmont Palliser Single/Double \$240.00 plus tax.

### 6.5. Publicity/Website/Evaluations – B. Yagos – Absent

- Website is continually being updated.

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

- No booth fee increase
- 2018 Convention rates for a Regular booth were - \$535.00 + tax \$561.75 and Not for profit rate were \$435.00 + tax \$456.75.
- Online registration is open and doing well
- 35 pre-booked

### 6.7. Past President – J. Fenton – no report

## 6.8. **Secretary** – S. Paton

- Information is posted on the webpage within 2 weeks of the meeting date

## 6.9. **District Rep** – D. Sellars-Myshchyshyn - report posted

- Think about the Francophone teachers coming in 2019
- Big Convention Review is coming – make sure you have some input
- Congratulations on a great convention

**T. Hrysak/spaton moved that the reports be accepted as presented. Carried.**

## 7. **Old Business**

### 7.1. **Summer Conference**

- Andrea Craigie and Paulette Morck will be attending the 2017 Summer Conference.

### 7.2. **Preliminary Budget** - Sherry Leppa

- Bring back to your local that there will be No fee increase

## 8. **New Business**

### 8.1. **none**

## 9. **Action Items**

### 9.1. **Local Concerns**

- A concern was expressed that Rocky View have too many members on the convention board compared to the other locals.

## **The Constitution states:**

### 6.2 Membership on the convention board

#### 6.2.1 Membership on the convention board shall include

- (a) two representatives elected or appointed by each member-local of the convention association or one representative per hundred teachers or major fraction thereof by the first local council meeting following convention;
- (b) members selected by or from within the convention board including
  - (i) members of the board elected as executive officers and
  - (ii) such other members as shall be appointed directly by motion of the convention board. The number of members so appointed shall not exceed 20 per cent of the total number of members on the board; and
- (c) Alberta Teachers' Association district representatives for the convention association(s) to which locals from that district are assigned.
- **Discussion**
  - Our board uses 6.2.1a in the policy handbook for choosing board reps
    - Two representatives elected or appointed by each member-local of the convention association or one representative per hundred teachers or major fraction thereof by the first local council meeting following convention
  - **This issue will be discussed at the upcoming Convention Review**

**Meeting adjourned by P. Morck/spaton at 6:15 p.m.**