

ATA Staff Officer Report – PDTCA Executive Meeting 2023 01 20-21

- A memo on updated ATA Indigenous Education land acknowledgments went out to convention secretaries and presidents on 2022 12 20. The updated English and French versions of the land acknowledgments are available on teachers.ab.ca > Professional development > Indigenous Education and Walking Together > Land acknowledgments, or directly at <https://legacy.teachers.ab.ca/For%20Members/Professional%20Development/IndigenousEducationandWalkingTogether/Pages/Land-Acknowledgements.aspx>
- ATA staff and president session titles, presenters, and schedules have been sent to conventions on 2022 12 22.
- Shari Graydon, the 2023 Morgex-sponsored keynote speaker, has been booked for most conventions and those conventions should have received confirmation from ATA. For those needing to reach Shari and her handler directly, she can be contacted at:
 - Shari Graydon - shari@informedopinions.org
 - Samantha Luchuk - samantha@informedopinions.org
- Convention Passes and ATA Member Cards - With the return to in-person conventions, the Alberta Teacher Association is printing and distributing convention passes later in January. These passes may be issued to those who have purchased out-of-district guest registration and to members unable to access their member card. We are also sending student local convention passes to post-secondary institutions whose members are eligible to attend convention. While it will be the primary responsibility of the student locals to issue these student convention passes to eligible students, we will also send a small number of these passes to conventions in case they are required on-site. For those conventions that require members to show their ATA member card to access any sessions, instructions to log in can be found at <https://cards.teachers.ab.ca/Pages/default.aspx>. Conventions that require that members show their ATA member card may wish to remind members to print their cards as soon as possible in case they require technical support. Should members have a question about activating their ATA online services account or accessing their self-service member card, they may contact ATA Online Services Support at onlinesupport@teachers.ab.ca or toll-free at 1-855-407-3891.
- President Schilling Member Address Video - This year, President Schilling will continue to share his member address through a YouTube video. That video will not be ready until the final week of January, at which time we will send it to all conventions. This video should be prominently displayed on each convention's scheduling site for all delegates to access.
- Morgex Keynote Sponsorship Recognition - Shari Graydon has been scheduled at 8 teachers' conventions this year, and her speaker contract and expenses have been generously sponsored by Morgex Insurance. To recognize this sponsorship, we would ask that the sponsorship for this keynote officially recognized in the following four ways:
 - Via a social media post from your convention (if you have a social media account, such as Twitter or Facebook) leading up to or during your convention.
 - By including in the session description for Shari's session, "This session sponsored by Morgex Insurance."
 - Via verbal recognition by those introducing Shari Graydon at your convention; and
 - By allowing Morgex to place a small popup banner outside of the presentation space Shari Graydon will be presenting in. Morgex would be responsible for putting up this banner, and this banner would appear during her session.

If you have any concerns or questions related to any of the Morgex sponsorship recognition requests, please contact Danny at Daniel.Maas@ata.ab.ca.