

# Board of Directors' Highlights

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## CCSTA Political Outreach

The CCSTA board approved a political outreach strategy which included a reception for targeted parliamentarians at Ottawa's Rideau Club on October 22, 2012.

In addition to the reception, the outreach strategy includes a series of three branded mail outs to federal MP's and senators highlighting the contribution made by Catholic education to the social fabric of Canada.

President Paszek will also be interviewed for an article in the Hill-Times, the official news source for parliamentarians and staffers. The article will highlight the important and historical role Catholic education continues to play in developing caring, compassionate and responsible citizens of Canada.

Similar messages will be delivered in the House of Commons by a pre-identified MP during the "Statements of Members" prior to the Question Period.

The strategy's main purpose is to increase awareness among key government officials about the work of CCSTA, and the inherent benefits of Catholic Education in Canada.



President Ted Paszek engages Minister of Public Safety, The Honourable Vic Toews

## New Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act

The act establishes a new set of rules for federally incorporated not-for-profit corporations such as CCSTA.

The new rules will not change the way CCSTA does business, but it is necessary to change our by-laws to comply with the new Act.

The board directed our solicitor to review our by-laws and make the necessary compliance changes which will be presented for approval at the AGM next June.



# Canada

*“Enlivened by the Word of God and our tradition, we promote and protect the right to Catholic education in Canada. We speak as one.”*



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## Sudbury AGM 2012

The board received the final financial report from the 2012 Sudbury AGM, and was pleased to learn that the AGM made a profit of \$20,789. The board has expressed its appreciation to Sudbury Catholic District School Board for a very successful AGM.



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Sudbury, Ontario



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## Winnipeg AGM 2013

Plans are well underway for the 2013AGM, to be held on June 6-8, 2013 in Winnipeg. Facilities have been booked, a program developed, and keynote and workshop presenters confirmed. In the near future, watch for the notice for when the conference website goes live and registration opens.

## Catholic Education: A National Conversation

The third national conversation will take place on October 3-5, 2013 at the Marriott Hotel in Ottawa.

Keynote speakers will address the topic of the New Evangelization and Catholic education. Speakers include:



- Bishop Claude Champagne, OMI, Diocese of Edmunston, NB
- Sr. Maureen Sullivan, OP, Department of Theology, Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH
- Fr. Gilles Routhier, Department of Theology, Laval University, QC
- Fr. James Mallon, St. Benedict's Parish / Director, John Paul II Media Institute, Halifax, NS

The conference website is scheduled to open on December 3rd, and will contain program and registration information.

Please plan to attend.

# CCSTA Website Migrating to New Platform



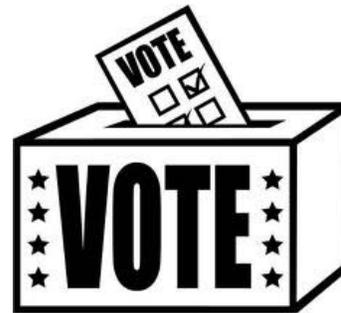
The CCSTA website is currently hosted by the Ottawa Catholic School Board (OCSB). The OCSB is in the process of migrating their website, and will be meeting with their partners, such as CCSTA, to discuss migration options. OCSB's current estimation is that the work to migrate CCSTA's website will begin January 2013. The changeover cost has been estimated at \$2,000 and it is hoped the new system will be more intuitive and easier to update.

*Vivifiés par la parole de Dieu et notre tradition, nous veillons à promouvoir et à protéger le droit à l'éducation catholique au Canada. Nous parlons d'une même voix.*

## Proxy Voting

Based on the experience of the last AGM where proxies were used, the board discussed the provisions of the CCSTA by-laws that allows proxy voting. Concerns were expressed about the use of proxies and the efficacy of this practice in the future.

The board requested a report for the next meeting, including legal advice to assist the board in making a recommendation to the membership about the future use of proxy voting.



## Future Meeting Dates

- Resolutions & Political Affairs Committee Meeting– January 15, 2013
- Education, New & Information Committee Meeting– January 24, 2013
- Conventions & Finance Committee Meeting– January 29, 2013
- Board of Directors' Meeting - February 11, 2013

