

Board of Directors'

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New Appointment - Endowment Fund Committee



CCSTA is pleased to announce the appointment of Debbie Ward to the 2014-2015 Endowment Fund Committee. Ms. Ward resides in Saskatchewan and has been involved in Catholic education for over 40 years, is active in her Catholic faith community, and was President of CCSTA from 1998-2000. Ms. Ward replaces Dorothy Fortier on this important Committee. The Board thanks Ms. Fortier for her years of dedication and service.

The remaining members of the Committee include Julian Hanlon (Chair), Suzanne Lint and Michael Paulter.

The Endowment Fund Committee is responsible for reviewing and allocating funds for Toonies for Tuition.

Board Updates Vision to Action Plan

The board approved a revised Vision to Action Plan that outlines CCSTA's strategic direction for the year, and contains the following goals for 2014-2015:

- To improve communications within CCSTA
- To establish strategic political relationships
- To raise the profile of CCSTA
- To expand communications and relationships with Catholic bishops



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Search for Executive Director

The board approved a timeline and process for the recruitment and appointment of a new Executive Director. The board hopes to complete the process by February, 2015 with the new appointment to take effect July 1, 2015.

Government Reception Cancelled

Due to the government legislative timetable, and the duties of MP's, it was necessary to cancel the reception scheduled for October 21, 2014. The reception will be replaced by a series of one-on-one meetings with politicians in Ottawa and their home ridings.



Board Caught in Ottawa Lockdown



The CCSTA board meeting took place a few blocks from Parliament Hill on October 22, 2014, the day of tragic events in Ottawa. Board members were supposed to attend question period and meet with some MP's on that afternoon. Unfortunately, everything was cancelled and the board was locked down in our hotel meeting room until later in the afternoon. It was a harrowing time for many.

Revised Criteria - Higgin's Award

In order to provide some consistency, the Board approved an updated criteria and nomination process for the annual CCSTA Justice Higgin's Award. The changes include a reduction in the length of the applications, the number of letters of reference, and the voting procedures for the board of directors. Details will be sent to our member boards shortly. Nominations are to be submitted in writing by January 15, 2015.

Justice James Higgin's Award

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.

Annual General Meeting and Convention



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AGM

The Board received the final report from the last AGM/ Convention in Kingston, and was pleased to note that the convention raised a profit of \$19,251.

Plans were approved for next year's convention in St. John's Newfoundland and Labrador, as well as future conventions in Yellowknife and Niagara Falls. CCSTA is accepting applications to host the 2018 AGM.

Future AGM Dates

St. John's, Newfoundland - June 11-13, 2015

Yellowknife, NWT - June 9-11, 2016

Niagara Falls, ON - TBD June 2017



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