

# Board of Directors' Highlights

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## Justice James Higgin's Award Winner

The board reviewed a number of excellent nominations and determined that Dr. Bonaventure (Bon) Fagan of Newfoundland will be this year's recipient of the prestigious Justice James Higgins Award. The award is given annually to an individual or group who have made an outstanding contribution to Catholic education in Canada.

Further details of Dr. Fagan's achievements will appear in a subsequent CCSTA newsletter, and in the 2015 convention programme.



**Congratulations to Dr. Bonaventure Fagan on winning this well deserved award! Dr. Fagan will be recognized at CCSTA's 2015 AGM in St. John's.**

## New Executive Director Appointed



Following a Canada wide search, the board has appointed Julian Hanlon, current Director of Education of the Ottawa Catholic School Board, as CCSTA Executive Director effective July 1, 2015.

Mr. Hanlon will replace the current Executive Director, John Stunt, who served the association since 2010, and who will retire at the end of June.

A more detailed announcement of Mr. Hanlon's appointment will be sent to CCSTA membership and posted on the CCSTA website.

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## By-Law Revisions **Canada**

At the 2013 AGM, the members gave the board authority to make changes to the current by-laws in order that we would be compliant with the new Canada Not-For-Profit Corporation Act in October 2014.

At that time, a decision was made to continue the CCSTA corporation under the Ontario Not-For-Profit Corporation Act (ONCA). However, there have been delays with the new Ontario legislation; therefore, CCSTA must operate under the Canada Not-For-Profit Corporation Act (CNCA) for some period of time.

To do so, the following changes to the CCSTA by-laws have been approved:

1. Membership: There will be 2 classes - provincial members and trustee members. Honourary membership is removed (to be replaced with a different designation) other than member.
2. Past President: CNCA does not allow ex-officio members (such as Past President). Changes would permit the Directors to annually appoint a director who would serve as Past President.
3. A grammatical change to our corporate name to be consistent with the French translation.

## Conventions and Finance

Convention reports were received from Newfoundland (2015), Yellowknife, (2016) and Niagara (2017).

The convention planning is well underway for each venue, and [registration is open](#) for the St. John’s AGM on June 11-13, 2015.



# World Catholic Education Day



This year's theme is "Remain in my love / Demeurez en mon amour".

CCSTA will produce a poster and a statement on the contribution of Catholic education in Canada, which is to be read in each provincial and territorial legislature on May 14, 2015.

*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.*

## Budget 2016

The Board approved a proposed balanced budget for 2016, based on a 2% membership fee increase.

## Audited Financial Statements

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The auditor's report and financial statements were reviewed and approved by the board.

Although the budget was based on a planned deficit of \$3,000 the Association ended the 2014 year with a surplus of approximately \$9,000.

# AGM

## Future AGM Dates and Locations

Please mark your calendars for future conventions and conferences. Please note that the 2015 and 2016 AGM's will be held in the second week of June.

AGM 2015	June 11-13, 2015 - St. John's, NF
AGM 2016	June 9-11, 2016 - Yellowknife, NT
AGM 2017	June 1-3, 2017 - Niagara Falls, ON

**Applications to host CCSTA's 2018 AGM are now being accepted.**

**Please contact the [CCSTA office](#) for more information.**