

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The [Record of Proceedings](#) for the association's 2017 convention has now been posted. This document is the official record of the convention. It contains an overview of the three-day program, the disposition of all resolutions, election results, and the text of both President Ken Cameron's and Executive Director Josh Watt's addresses to the membership.



WELCOMING NEWCOMERS

The [Spring 2017](#) issue of CEA's *Education Canada* magazine is all (or at least mostly) about welcoming newcomers to school. Articles include a [mother's account](#) of sending her children off to school in a country where they don't speak the language. Several features touch on promising programs and practices, such as [in-school health clinics](#) and [creating a culture of care and compassion for refugee students](#). And even if you receive the print version of the magazine, you won't want to miss web-exclusive content, such as [this article](#) on addressing the achievement gap between immigrant and non-migrant students.



AND SPEAKING OF CEA . . .

You still have time to apply for [CEA's 2017 Innovation that Sticks](#) recognition program. This program supports school system leaders working to make their own innovations stick by showcasing successful initiatives in a particular area. This year, the case study research program will focus on programs that have improved graduation rates for Indigenous students. The two-step application process starts with a 500-word program overview, which is due by April 28. If your program is shortlisted, you will be required to submit a more detailed description of your innovative work. One winner will be selected to receive a \$5,000 bursary to support and expand the program. That work will then be the focus of a case study report developed collaboratively with CEA, and will be featured in a future edition of *Education Canada*.



BEYOND BORDERS

There's no question that the Canadian and American public education systems are dissimilar in many ways, but that doesn't mean that we can't learn from each other. If you are considering taking a virtual trip south, might we suggest that your journey include a stop at the [Center for Public Education](#), and more specifically, the [School Boards](#) tab. While not all pieces are particularly relevant in the Manitoba context, many others transcend jurisdictional boundaries. A case in point is the [Consumer's Guide to Education Research](#), which offers clear definitions of terms such as quantitative and qualitative methods, margin of error, and statistical significance. Other school board topics include characteristics of effective boards and school configurations that nurture strong student-school relationships. [Policymakers](#), [Educators](#), and [The Public](#) round out the main sections of the CPE website. You'll want to spend some time exploring each of them, and when you do that, why not sign up for CPE news updates?



DID YOU KNOW?

The [News from Broadway](#) link on our homepage provides quick access to all provincial government news releases and pending legislation that will impact schools or school boards. Recent additions include the April 10 [announcement](#) of enhanced support for the Respect in Schools program, which will now be available to First Nations and independent schools in Manitoba.



This release includes statements from association President Ken Cameron and Past President Floyd Martens (speaking in his capacity as CSBA President). We have also included a link to the provincial news release on the review of [privacy legislation](#) (PHIA and FIPPA), as well as to [Bill 28, The Public Services Sustainability Act](#), and the accompanying [Bill 28 news release](#). So if it's education-related provincial news you're looking for, think of us first!



follow us [@MBSchoolboards](#)