

REGIONAL TELECONFERENCES

The dates have now been set for our January regional teleconference meetings. In accordance with [association by-law #5](#), these meetings are being convened to nominate candidates for provincial executive office, and to consider resolutions to be taken forward by the region to the annual convention in March. Dates and times are as follows.



Region 1:	Tuesday, January 24, 5:00 p.m.
Region 2:	Wednesday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.
Region 3:	Thursday, January 26, 5:00 p.m.
Region 4:	Wednesday, January 25, 5:00 p.m.
Region 5/6:	Thursday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.

The deadline for receipt of resolutions to be considered at these meetings is Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Resolutions received after that date will be considered late resolutions, and handled in accordance with the relevant provisions of by-law #5. Resolutions should be sent to Executive Assistant [Andrea Kehler](#). Nominations for executive positions may also be sent to Andrea in advance of the convention; the final call for nominations will be at the call to order on the morning of Friday, March 17, 2017. Full details of the [nominations and resolutions](#) procedures are available on our website.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION PROGRAMS



The deadline for receipt of nominations for all association awards and recognition programs is January 27, 2017. There are four such programs offered by the association.

- [Student Citizenship Awards](#) (six individual and one group) recognize outstanding young people throughout Manitoba who are active participants in their communities and schools.
- [The Premier Award for School Board Innovation](#) recognizes educational innovations and improvements advanced or directed by boards of education to support and/or enhance student achievement.
- [The Presidents' Council Award](#) celebrates exemplary service and outstanding achievement, innovative thinking and personal initiative, and lasting and pervasive impact in the field of public education.

- [Long Service Trustee Recognition](#) honours individuals with 12, 16 or 20 years of school board service.

Full [details](#) about each of these programs can be found on our website.

NEW ON THE WEB

We've revamped the [trustee education page](#) of our website to make it even easier to find [trustee education that works for you!](#)

Whether you are looking to sharpen your skills as an individual trustee, or exploring options on behalf of your entire board, we can help! We have options to fit everyone's schedule and needs, from on-line resources such as videos and webinars, to customized in-person sessions, to provincial and regional workshops. So whether you're wanting to hone your governance skills, keep up-to-date on emerging research and trends, or looking for some guidance or support in policy development, remember—we're here to help.



CONVENTION UPDATE

The Convention Planning Committee is in the process of finalizing details for this year's event, which will run from March 16 to 18 at the Delta Hotel in Winnipeg. The committee has some exciting sessions and speakers lined up to help us explore the theme of The Effectiveness

Equation:
 Governing for Student Success.
 The full program and registration package will be distributed in late



The Effectiveness Equation:
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January, but in the meantime, you can keep abreast of the latest developments by visiting the dedicated [convention page](#) on our website. One document you'll find posted there is the [hotel room booking memo and form](#). Boards must use this form, which was also distributed in late November via divisional email, to access their five guaranteed rooms at the Delta. The initial booking period is now open, and runs until December 22, 2016.

DEADLINE EXTENDED

It's not too late to submit a proposal for a convention workshop. The deadline has been extended to December 23, 2016. For [details and the proposal form](#), visit our website.