

CONVENTION 2015

Our 2015 Annual Convention, Building Partnerships for Student Success, starts in exactly four months, so why not keep on top of the latest developments by becoming a regular visitor to our [convention page](#)? All convention-related mailings to school boards are posted here, including the [Call for Nominations and Resolutions](#), information and applications for our [Recognition and Award Programs](#), and the [call for workshop proposals](#) that will explore this year's theme. You will also find a link where you can learn more about the recipient of 2015 raffle proceeds, [Manitoba Riding for the Disabled Association](#). The Convention Planning Committee has some exciting speakers lined up for this year's event, and those details will be posted in the coming days.

A memo detailing guest room booking procedures will be distributed via divisional email before the end of the month. The full program and registration package will be distributed in January.



THE MANY FACES OF TRUSTEE EDUCATION

Next week is a busy one when it comes to trustee education, with two new trustee orientations and sessions for school board chairs, but did you know that there's no need to limit your learning to sessions we schedule? Check out [Trustee Education](#) under the Services tab on our website for information about distance, on-demand and customized learning opportunities. These include:

- overviews of [education modules](#) on 20 different topics, each of which can be customized for delivery at your board table, at your convenience;
- details about any upcoming [webinars](#), as well as links to past offerings that you can access at your convenience; and
- [Division Dispatches](#), short videos (under 10 minutes) dealing with aspects of board governance, meeting procedure, or specific association services.



For more information on these or other educational services, contact Board Development Consultant [Janis Arnold](#).

AND SPEAKING OF ON-DEMAND LEARNING



Last month, the [Canadian Association of Communicators in Education \(CACE\)](#) recognized the association's efforts in this area with a BRAVO! Award of Merit. This national award recognizes and honours exemplary work in all aspects of school public relations, communications, marketing and engagement. The award was accepted by Communications Officer Karen Harrington at the CACE National Conference in October.



Karen Harrington accepts Bravo award on behalf of MSBA from CACE incoming President, Catherine Shedden

EXECUTIVE BY-ELECTIONS



Congratulations to Pembina Trails trustee Dianne Zuk, who was acclaimed Vice-President (boards serving 6000+ students) at the close of nominations on November 14. Three candidates are in the running for the vacant Region 3 Director: Theresa Bergson (Seine River), Alan Campbell (Interlake), and Cheryl Zelenitsky (Evergreen).

For candidate-provided bios and other information, visit our [by-election page](#). Ballots for this election have been distributed to Region 3 secretary-treasurers, who are serving as returning officers for the election. Check out our website for results at the close of voting, at 12:00 noon on November 21.



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