

## FALL MEETINGS

Reminder! The 2021 Fall General and Regional Meetings will be held virtually via Zoom in accordance with the following schedule:

### Fall General Meeting:

Saturday, November 27, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

### Regional Meetings:

Region 5/6 – November 27, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

Region 1 – November 29, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Region 2 – November 30, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Region 3 – December 1, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Region 4 – December 1, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Participants in the Fall General Meeting may choose to join collectively, as a board, as local public health regulations allow. The General Meeting will include information sharing, but no polling.

Participants in the Regions 4 and 5 meetings should each join the Zoom meeting on their own device (computer, smartphone or tablet). This will enable each trustee participant to cast their vote through the internal polling feature, should there be an election for MUST Fund representative.

If you haven't used Zoom before, or if you just want to become more comfortable with the software, check out our [Zoom How-to guide](#). If you have any questions, please [contact](#) Andrea Kehler.

## NOMINATIONS FOR PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

Member school boards and trustees are now invited to nominate candidates for the 2022-2023 Manitoba School Boards Association Provincial Executive. The following positions will be elected for two-year terms in 2022:

- Vice-President (Boards with 6,000 students or more)
- Directors for Regions 1, 3, and 5 (one position)

The first call for nominations was made in writing. The second call will be made on the morning of Saturday, November 27, at the association's Fall General Meeting, while the third and final call will come at the call to order of the Annual Convention, on March 11, 2022. Nominations may also be made at any time by submitting them by [email](#) to the Nominating Committee, c/o Andrea Kehler.

## BUDGET DISCUSSION TIPS

Looking for a way to peak interest in your budget discussions? It might just be a matter of delivery and being specific about what you are asking. Rather than advertising a vague or even intimidating "budget meeting", provide questions or decisions in advance that your board will be considering. Spell out areas, programs or specific projects and something tangible about them. Something as simple as a meeting title that hits home can add interest. 'Annual budget meeting' or 'Seeking input into your child's school'. Which would you prefer to attend?



## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDS

Nominations are open now until December 2 for Manitoba's Excellence in Education Awards. Nominees must hold a valid, permanent Manitoba teaching certificate, and work directly with kindergarten to grade 12 students in a school setting on a daily basis. Awards will be presented in the following categories:

- Teaching Excellence (three awards);
- Outstanding New Teacher (one award);
- Outstanding Team Collaboration (one award);
- Outstanding School Leader (one award); and
- Premier's Award for Excellence in Education (one award).

Each award recipient will receive \$500 and a framed certificate.

Full details, including necessary forms and selection criteria, are available [online](#).



## MANITOBA INDIGENOUS YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (MIYAA)

These awards honour the accomplishments of Indigenous youth in academics, athletics, community involvement and more. In early 2022, there will be three virtual award celebrations, hosted by Pembina Trails School Division to honour MIYAA 2021 recipients. The application deadline is November 30, 2021. Visit the MIYAA [website](#) to nominate an outstanding individual for the 2021 awards today!



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