



TALKING POINTS

April Council, 2019

Please note that Talking Points are intended only to assist you in your PTTA report. Feel free to add any information from the meeting you think is important to share with your staff.

1. Education Review

The Education Review is finally underway. All members received an email from myself with information regarding how to make written submissions, the online surveys and exemplary practices. The Review is set to wrap up its data gathering phase in May of this year. Please note that if you want to participate in the “confidential” teacher survey you must provide your certificate number. As a taxpayer you are also able to fill out the other survey that is available. The discussion forum dates and locations are also now available. You must register in order to participate. You can access the surveys as well as the dates and locations of the forums by following this link: <https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html>

2. MTS Responses

MTS will be making its presentation to the Review Commission on May 8th.

3. Collective Bargaining

Due to the delays engineered by the opposition, the Provincial Bargaining Legislation that was due to be introduced in March will likely now be introduced in the fall sitting of the legislature.

4. Spotlight on PD

Val Wood, Principal of Whyte Ridge School presented on the three-part documentary “First Contact” which examines the views and opinions of six ordinary Canadians around the Indigenous community and the role that they play in Canadian Society. The documentary also focuses on the journey that these six Canadians take in examining their own beliefs about Canada’s Indigenous peoples. The full documentary series and a trailer for the series is available online at <https://aptn.ca/firstcontact/>.

If anyone wishes to share their PD experiences for Spotlight on PD, please contact Debra Morrissey at pttavp@mymts.net

5. PTTA Past President 2019 – 2020

When there is no actual Past President for Executive, PTTA By-Laws allow council to appoint a member to that position. Congratulations to Kathy Slovinsky who council appointed to the Past President position for the 2019 – 2020 school year.

6. PTTA Retirement Event – June 11, 2019

Teachers who are retiring will be contacted by PTTA regarding the retirement event. PTTA receives this information from the Board office and sometimes it is delayed. If you have given your notice to retire, please let PTTA know at ptta@mymts.net so we can send invitations out as soon as possible. For members who wish to attend the event, but are not retiring, tickets will go on sale May 15, 2019. There will be a limited number of these tickets available and will go on a first come first served basis. The cost for these tickets will be \$50.00 each.

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