



TALKING POINTS November Council, 2017

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. Have a great day! Bob, Lise and Debra

1. PTTA “Pop Quiz” Contest Entry

Don't forget to enter our PTTA contest. Answer a few questions about the Collective Agreement and the info from the current issue of Trail Talk and you could win a gift certificate to a local restaurant. Go to www.ptta.ca and click on the Pop Quiz link. Note: The link to the CA is just to the left!

2. Collective Bargaining

Thank you all who have completed and returned the survey. Your input is invaluable in helping to determine our priorities for the next round of bargaining.

3. Food Handling in Schools

There seems to be a large discrepancy in how schools are being told to implement the changes in Division Policy around how food can be handled/served to students. PTTA will attempt to clarify and ensure that a consistent message is being given to all of our members. At this time, we urge staff to check with the administrator in their building and follow their directions around food handling that takes place in your school.

4. Contact Time Logs

Thank you to all members who have completed the online survey. Members have until 6:00 pm on Friday, December 1st to complete the survey. Access the survey by clicking on the following link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PTTAContacTimeLog>

5. Pension Sustainability Seminar

The Pension Sustainability Seminar will be held at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at the Khartum Shrine Temple on Wilkes. This seminar is meant for teachers between 5 and 20 years of experience, but no-one will be turned away. The 5:30 start is to accommodate members who need to attend staff meetings that day. Register online under the My Profile tab at www.mbteach.org

6. Massage Therapy/Chiropractic Plan Changes

The amounts payable per visit have changed for these services on our health plans. For massages, there is a cap of 80% of cost to a maximum of \$80. The subsidy for chiropractic therapy has dropped from \$12.00 to \$8.29.

7. Preferred Pharmacy Network (PPN)

If you have recurring medication needs, please check into registering for the PPN. It gives additional savings on your costs and will deliver your medication to your door. Check the poster in your school for more information.

8. Pre-Retirement Seminar

The next pre-retirement seminar is January 18th at the Shrine Temple on Wilkes. You can register at <http://www.mbteach.org/mtscms/2016/05/05/pension-information/>.

9. Indigenous Education Survey

Staff will receive a separate communication from PTTA in regards to concerns about this survey.

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