

June 12, 2020

Your Provincial Executive met virtually via Zoom on **June 12**, **2020**. *Executive Notes* is a summary of discussions and decisions that occurred at this meeting.

For further information contact any member of <u>Provincial Executive</u> or the NLTA staff person as indicated.

President's Report

The President has attended meetings, appointments, media interviews and visited schools in his capacity and responsibilities as President of the NLTA. The full President's Report is available here.

For further information contact <u>Dean Ingram</u>, President.

COVID-19 Update

The NLTA Executive Director, Steve Brooks, provided an update to Provincial Executive on the work of the Association on behalf of teachers around the COVID-19 pandemic. His update included information on overall planning for the delivery of education in the province, Association advocacy on behalf of substitute teachers, and final term report cards. Consultation has occurred and continues to occur with senior staff of the Department, NLESD and the NLTA. The NLTA has been clear that plans for schools in 2020-21 must be compliant with Public Health directives and guidelines, and that teachers and students should not be treated differently.

For further information contact <u>Dean Ingram</u>, President or <u>Steve Brooks</u>, Executive Director.

Collective Bargaining

An update was provided to Provincial Executive on the status of negotiations. A Bargaining Brief with a link to a video presentation will be sent to the membership to provide up to date information on discussions with government and the decision to serve notice to open negotiations. The memo and video can be viewed here.

For more information contact <u>Dean</u> <u>Ingram</u>, President or <u>Steve Brooks</u>, Executive Director.

Association Priorities

Updates on the NLTA Priorities for 2019-21 were provided to Provincial Executive for review, questions and comment. The priorities are: Collective Bargaining; Teacher Health and Wellness-Teacher Mental Health; Workload Concerns; Communication/Membership Engagement; Premier's Task Force on Improving Educational Outcomes; and Protection of Teachers. The Association priorities are available here.

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Business from Standing Committees

Communications/Political Action/Membership Engagement Committee

- The NLTA will conduct a survey of the membership to address the two Resolutions from BGM 2019.
- The NLTA will provide certificates of completion to teachers who have completed NLTA inservicing/PD.
- The NLTA will proceed with the voluntary online survey to formally collect information from teachers who are exiting the profession.

For further information contact <u>Joe Santos</u>, Chair of the Communications/Political Action/Membership Engagement Committee or <u>Lesley-Ann Browne</u>, Staff Consultant.

Table Officers

- The NLTA will advertise/post the vacant position for an Administrative Officer in Programs and Services.
- The NLTA will pursue a public relations campaign under the theme "Prosper NL" to send a message of support for the provincial economy and local businesses.
- The NLTA will donate \$1000 in support of the Kids Eat Smart Foundation Emergency Food Hampers for Families initiative.

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Discussion Topics

The following topics were reviewed and discussed by Provincial Executive: SmartFind; IRT allotments for 2020-21; NLTA elections; digital copies of textbooks; information provided to the membership; access to PowerSchool and TheraPlatform for SLPs; and input on decision-making processes re COVID-19.

For further information contact <u>Dean Ingram</u>, President or <u>Steve Brooks</u>, Executive Director.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of Provincial Executive is scheduled for **August 11,2020**.

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