Important Dates

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Submission of candidate materials (photo, biography, election statement)

• Candidates nominated after March 1, 2020 may submit a biography and election statement no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day nominations close at the Provincial Council Meeting.

Friday, May 22, 2020 (evening session) Candidate Election Forum

Saturday, May 23, 2020 (morning session) **Provincial Council Election**

Please contact the General Secretary (Chief Returning Officer) for clarification regarding nomination procedures.



GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE



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NOMINATIONS **GUIDE 2020**





Since the first meeting of the Manitoba Teachers' Federation in 1919, hundreds of teacher leaders have worked as part of the Society's Provincial Executive to improve the lives of teachers, their students and public education.

From pay to pensions, from class size to curriculum, Provincial Executive members have had a profound influence on the welfare of teachers, status of the teaching profession and creation of the public education system.

But the work continues and so does the need for more teacher leaders to bring their energy and ideas to the table. The following information is intended to help you determine whether you or a colleague want to become a part of history. MTS needs you.

There will be six (6) new Member-at-Large positions elected at Provincial Council on Saturday, May 23, 2020.

Duties, Time Commitments and Responsibilities

Provincial Executive members have up to 20% release time from their teaching duties as a Member-at-Large. The Society pays directly to the school division for that release time so that your pay cheque remains the same. Members-at-Large perform a variety of duties including:

- attending Provincial Executive daytime meetings approximately eight (8) times per year for two to three days in September, October, December, January, March, April, May, and June;
- attending four (4) daytime Presidents' Council meetings;
- attending the MTS Provincial Council Meeting (AGM);
- chairing a committee(s) (Ad hoc or Standing) or being a member of a committee(s) of Provincial Executive;
- selecting members for committees, chairing meetings, submitting reports to Provincial Executive and to Provincial Council (with staff support);
- liaising with a region of the province and the Local Presidents; attending the Pre-AGM binder meeting for the region; and
- engaging in dialogue, discussion and interactions with various stakeholders regarding MTS interests.

Professional Development and Board/Governance Training

Provincial Executive members receive funds and training to support them in their role as follows:

- Professional development for Board/Governance responsibilities; and
- Professional development for Committee and Chair responsibilities

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Pursuant to MTS Bylaw III, Part IV (pp. 76-78) in The Manitoba Teachers' Society Handbook

Nomination Procedure

Before March 1, 2020

- Nomination forms are available in the *Complete Guide to Preparing for Provincial Council* or on the MTS website: www.mbteach.org
- Nominations for candidates for Provincial Executive will be received up to 4:00 p.m. on March 1st from: (i) Local Associations, or (ii) qualifying individual Members who have been refused nomination by an Association, provided twenty-five (25) Members have endorsed the individual's nomination.
- Nomination forms should be sent to the General Secretary (Chief Returning Officer) via email: governance@mbteach.org. Please forward the original nomination form by mail to 191 Harcourt Street R3J 3H2.
- The General Secretary (Chief Returning Officer) shall verify that all signatures on nomination forms are eligible Members; the candidate qualifications in Article 4.3 have been met; and the candidate accepts the nomination.

After March 1, 2020

- Nominations for candidates for Provincial Executive will also be accepted from the floor of Provincial Council Meeting, from Delegates up to 2:00 p.m. of the first day of the Provincial Council Meeting if the nominee is endorsed by at least twenty-five (25) other registered Delegates;
- The General Secretary shall verify that all signatures on nomination forms are eligible Members; the candidate qualifications in Article 4.3 have been met; and the candidate accepts the nomination.

Campaigning

Campaigning may commence after completion of the verification process outlined in Bylaw III, Part IV, Articles 4.4 and 4.5 whereby the nomination is declared bona fide by the General Secretary (Chief Returning Officer). Please refer to the Candidates Guide for all information intended to support candidates in their campaign.

