

“Calling All Substitute (Guest) Teachers!”

*“Those who have taught many people to do what is right, will shine like the stars forever.”
(Daniel 12:3 TEV*)*

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To: Substitute (Guest) Teachers - Calgary Separate School District
From: Calgary Separate Local #55 Substitute (Guest) Teachers' Committee

COMING UP

- 1. Fourth Annual Year-End Social for Substitute (Guest) Teachers – Wed. June 8, 2011**
This friendly gathering will be held from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., at the ATA Local 55 offices, Room, 214. All are warmly invited to attend and share not only lively conversation with other guest teachers, but also enjoy wine, cheese, and other nibbles. ***See the attached poster!***
- 2. Smartboard Sessions for Guest Teachers**
Spring, 2011 – not scheduled, due to District funding cuts. Fewer workshops than usual will be available to guest teachers during the next school year, 2011-2012.
- 3. ATA General Meeting – May 31, 2011 – Bishop Carroll High School - 5 p.m.**
Substitute Teachers should attend – in addition to full-time teachers.
A quorum of 300 is needed to pass several important motions which will be presented, and discussed.

WHAT'S NEW?

- 1. An Invitation to Fill Two Upcoming Vacancies on the Committee**
Two committee members will be stepping down at the end of June, 2011.
We invite anyone interested in filling these positions to contact the ATA Office at **403-265-2678**. To obtain a nomination form:
 - a) Go to the website: www.ataloc55.ab.ca
 - b) Go to the heading “Documents and Forms” at the bottom of the page
 - c) Click on [Committee Nomination Form](#)
 - d) Print, fill out, and send the form to ATA Office *via Pony or Fax 403-263-7830*.

Nominations will occur at the May 31, 2011 CSR Meeting

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1. **ATA Provincial Substitute Teachers' Committee Report**

At a meeting in Calgary, January 29, 2011, this Committee, after reviewing the Substitute Teachers' Conference, held in Edmonton, October 29-30, 2010,

- a) *“considered the establishment of an annual seminar for local substitute teacher group chairs;”* and
- b) *“completed work on a presentation for schools and school jurisdictions designed to raise awareness of the need to work with substitute teachers in a professional, collegial manner.”*

(Quotations from PRECIS Provincial Executive Council Summary, Vol. 48, No 5, p 5.)

The Provincial Substitute Teachers' Committee works on behalf of all of us—province-wide!

LOOKING BACK

The two most significant achievements by our committee this school year have been:

1. ***Continuing the Smartboard Training Sessions*** for Guest Teachers — two Beginner Level, and two Intermediate Level.
2. ***Our new Guest Teacher Banner***, displaying the Scripture verse which now appears at the top of our newsletter: ***“Those who have taught many people to do what is right will shine like the stars forever.”*** Situated in the ATA Local 55 offices, it will now be carried in procession each year with all the other school banners at the District Opening Mass, starting Tuesday, August 30, 2011.

NEED INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE?

Remember, if ***you need any assistance or have any concerns or questions*** related to substitute (guest) teaching, don't hesitate to ***contact Stephen Jones, Executive Assistant***, Calgary Separate Local #55, either ***by phone, 403-265-2678***, or e-mail ea@ataloc55.ab.ca. Your concern or issue will be put on the agenda for the next monthly meeting of the Committee.

THANK YOU FOR ALL FOR A GOOD JOB WELL DONE!

Look forward to seeing you at the Year-End Social!

WE WISH YOU A RESTFUL AND RELAXING SUMMER!

Helen Rennie (Chair), Carmen Katulka, Heidi Follis, Johnnie DesRochers, Lois Facca, Steven Navratil



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