

2010 NDSBA ANNUAL CONVENTION
October 29-30
Ramkota Hotel
Bismarck, North Dakota

The NDSBA Annual Convention will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 29-30, at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. The New Member Seminar and School Law Seminar will be on Thursday, October 28, also at the Ramkota. Please review the enclosed information carefully. If you have questions about completing the registration form, please call our office.

Convention delegates and alternates must have their names submitted to the NDSBA office BY OCTOBER 15 in order to vote in the Delegate Assembly. There will be no exceptions! If you aren't sure who will be attending, submit all possible names as either delegate or alternate. They will be allowed to **change** status at the convention only if their names were submitted by the deadline.

The formula for determining delegates is:

<u>Number of Teachers Employed</u>	<u>Number of Delegates</u>
0-10	1
11-30	2
31 and over	3

In addition, districts with a pupil population of 1,000 or more shall be authorized increased representation as follows:

<u>Pupils</u>	<u>Additional Delegates</u>
1,000-4,999	1
5,000 and over	2

The maximum number of delegates a district may have is five.

Only elected school board members may serve as delegates and alternates--administrators, county superintendents, and business managers are NOT permitted to vote. Counties and multidistricts are nonvoting members.

NOTE: Annual dues must be paid in order for delegates to vote at the annual convention.

The New Member Seminar, scheduled for Thursday, October 28, is designed to meet the requirements of law that mandate inservice training for newly elected school board members. Attendees will receive certificates upon completion.

NEW MEMBER SEMINAR Thursday, October 28

TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

Role of the School Board
School Board Member Duties & Responsibilities
Boardsmanship
School Finance
Panel of Experienced School Board Members

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TENTATIVE CLINIC TOPICS:

- ▶ Discussion with Earl Rickman, President, National School Boards Association
- ▶ Q & A with Collins Tuohy
- ▶ Leadership Track for Experienced Board Members
- ▶ The World in 2025: How the North Dakota Center for Distance Education plans to evolve to meet current and future North Dakota student needs
- ▶ EduSocial for Administrators
- ▶ A Framework for 21st Century Learning
- ▶ Creating a Positive School Climate - Comprehensive Policies and Action Plans to Address Bullying and Harassment in Your School District
- ▶ AVID: An Avenue to Prepare “Students in the Middle” for College and Success
- ▶ Timely Updates from the ND Commission on Education Improvement
- ▶ TFFR Funding Challenge and Legislative Proposals
- ▶ Educator Licensure Updates including teacher support systems, substitute teachers, counselors, and re-education requirements
- ▶ Student Discipline: Harassment, Cyberbullying, and the Future
- ▶ New Online Resources for School Boards
- ▶ 21st Century Skills: Improving Education or Stifling Student Development
- ▶ Graduation/Scholarship Requirements and Statewide ACT/WorkKeys Testing
- ▶ Alternative Teacher Compensation System
- ▶ Integrating Technology & Real World Applications to Improve Classroom Instruction
- ▶ Use of Laptop Computers by the School Board
- ▶ Hot Topics in Special Education
- ▶ State and Federal Legislative Update
- ▶ Board Members’ Questions, NDSBA’s Answers by Gary Thune and Alyssa Martin
- ▶ NDSBA Resolutions Review
- ▶ Proposed Legislation regarding approval of all public and non-public schools
- ▶ Forming an Investment Pool for Public Schools
- ▶ Standing Rock Dropout Prevention Initiative
- ▶ ND Small Organized Schools Annual Meeting
- ▶ Shop Talk With Business Managers
- ▶ Question Box for Business Managers with Gary Thune and Alyssa Martin

BUSINESS MANAGERS’ CONVENTION Friday-Saturday, October 29-30

Specific sessions for business managers include IRS 1099s; PERS retirement, health insurance, and deferred compensation; School Business Management for Beginners; Shop Talk for Business Managers, and Question Box with Gary Thune and Alyssa Martin. The balance of the convention will consist of NDSBA general and clinic sessions.