



NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

Excellence in North Dakota public education through local school board governance

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TO: Administrators, Business Managers, Legal Services Affiliation, County Superintendents, Multidistrict Directors

FROM: Jon Martinson, Executive Director

SUBJECT: **CONVENTION PREREGISTRATION**

TWO-DAY FORMAT

The 2016 NDSBA Annual Convention will be held on Thursday and Friday, October 27-28, at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. The New Member Seminar and School Law Seminar will be on Thursday, October 27.

The New Member Seminar is designed to meet the requirements of law mandating in-service training for newly elected school board members. Attendees will receive certificates of completion in the mail after the convention.

SCHOOL LAW SEMINAR AND CONVENTION REGISTRATION ON ONE FORM

The School Law Seminar is now under the NDSBA Legal Services Program and will be administered along with the convention. Registration for the School Law Seminar is available as an option on the convention registration form.

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 14 in order to vote in the Delegate Assembly. There will be no exceptions! If you're not 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 eligible to vote. Counties and multidistricts are nonvoting members.

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

NEW MEMBER SEMINAR – THURSDAY, October 27, 2016

7:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Seminar

TOPICS COVERED:

Role of the School Board

School Board Member Duties and Responsibilities

Boardsmanship

School Finance

Panel of Experienced School Board Members

NOTE: This session meets requirements of the law mandating in-service training for newly elected school board members. Attendees will receive certificates of completion in the mail after the convention.

NDSBA ANNUAL CONVENTION

THURSDAY, October 27, 2016

3:00 p.m. CONVENTION OPENING SESSION

Recharge, Reenergize, and Refocus: At Our Best and Leading the Way!

Murray Banks

4:00 p.m. FIRST BUSINESS SESSION AND DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, October 28, 2016

7:30 a.m. Registration -- Continental Breakfast -- Exhibits Open

8:00 **GENERAL SESSION – *Never Quit***

Robert O’Neill, former U. S. Navy SEAL

1:15 **GENERAL SESSION – *Farm Kid to Rocketman and Beyond: One Little Step at a Time***

Story Musgrave, NASA Astronaut

TENTATIVE CLINIC TOPICS:

- Evolving Benefits for Students with Implementation of the Flex Mod Schedule
- School Finance 101
- AdvanceED Accreditation and Continuous Improvement
- Does the Language in our Collective Bargaining Agreements Make the Grade?
- What NASCAR and School Boards Have in Common (the magic of teamwork)
- North Dakota’s State ESSA Accountability Plan
- Superintendent, Business Manager, and Board Evaluation
- Open Record and Meeting Laws in North Dakota
- Legislators’ Perspective on the 2017 Legislative Session
- Human Trafficking 101
- Investigation: Role of the School Administrator and the School Board
- Raising the Bar: Changing and Creating a Positive Culture for Students
- Balancing Your Mojo
- AVID: Advancement Via Individual Determination
- Understanding Cyber Security
- Small Organized Schools: Online Ag Ed in the Classroom
- Small Organized Schools: Mental Health and Suicide Training
- Small Organized Schools: Annual Board Meeting

3:30 SECOND BUSINESS SESSION AND DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

4:30 ADJOURN CONVENTION