

BY-ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE LOCAL'S TEACHER WELFARE COMMITTEE

October 16, 2020

At the close of nominations to serve on the Teacher Welfare Committee, five positions were acclaimed. There are three vacancies; therefore, a by-election is required for **one Representative at Large, one Representative of Division II and one Representative of Division III.**

WHO MAY RUN?

Any **member of the bargaining unit** may run. This includes all persons employed by EPSB in a position which requires a teaching certificate as a condition of employment, with the exception of the group which is excluded from the Collective Agreement by Clause 1.2. The eligible group includes all part-time teachers, substitute teachers, and teachers on leave of absence who have maintained their membership in the ATA and the Local.

WHAT DOES TWC DO?

The TWC shall exist for the following reasons:

- To gather and study data for the purpose of setting objectives for central and local collective bargaining.
- To identify and interpret the economic and conditions of practice requirements of teachers.
- To prepare proposed amendments to local provisions of the collective agreement for consideration of the members of the bargaining unit.
- To effect central and local changes to the collective agreement as negotiated and ratified by the teachers.
- To keep the Executive Committee, the Council of School Representatives and teachers of the bargaining unit informed on matters pertaining to the progress of central and local negotiations and the specific details of the collective agreement.
- To consult with Teacher Welfare Staff Officers, District Representatives, Consultants (as assigned) and members of the bargaining unit before, during and after negotiations.
- To identify areas of concern for teachers to monitor the implementation of collective agreement provisions and to provide the necessary assistance and direction in applying the provisions of the collective agreement.
- To generally exercise leadership in all matters pertaining to collective bargaining.
- To cooperate with the Representative of the Bargaining Agent (RBA) during bargaining.

Candidates must file a properly completed Nomination/Acceptance Form with Catherine LeBlanc, Local Returning Officer, **no later than 4:00 pm, Monday, November 2, 2020.** Forms can be submitted electronically (info@edpub.org); via fax (780-453-1407) or sent via Board truck to Edmonton Public Teachers Local No. 37, ATA, 401 Barnett House, 11010 142 St NW, Edmonton. **If an election is required, a meeting of all candidates will be held at 4:30 pm on Thursday, November 5, 2020 to discuss election procedures.**

ELECTION PROCEDURES:

1. Candidate materials will be posted on the Local's website **November 20, 2020.**
2. E-mails will be sent to members at EPSB and home addresses with links to the candidate materials and voting instructions using Big Pulse on **November 23, 2020.**
3. Voting will open on **November 30, 2020 at 8:00 am.**
4. Voting will close on **December 3, 2020 at 5:00 pm.**
5. **Results will be announced on December 3, 2020 after 5:30 pm.**
6. First meeting of the Teacher Welfare Committee will be December 8 or 15.
7. **Candidates and their supporters are cautioned not to use the Edmonton Public Schools computer network to campaign.**

NOMINATION FORM – Must reach the Local Returning Officer by 4:00 pm on November 2, 2020.

We, the undersigned, hereby nominate _____ of _____
(Name of Candidate) (School/Location)

as a candidate for the position of _____ to serve on the Teacher Welfare
(Position*)

Committee of the Edmonton Public Teachers Local No. 37.

**[Member-at-large; Representative of Division II; or Representative of Division III. You cannot file nomination papers for more than one position.]*

Nominators: All nominators must be members of the bargaining unit, and, in the case of nominations for divisional representatives, must also be declared members of the appropriate division.

	NAME (Please Print)	School or Location	Signature
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A minimum of 10 eligible nominators is required. However, to ensure a sufficient number of eligible nominators, it is suggested that additional nominations be obtained.

ACCEPTANCE FORM

I hereby accept nomination as a candidate for election to (please check one):

- Member-at-Large (1 to be elected)
- Representative of Division II (1 to be elected)
- Representative of Division III (1 to be elected)

on the Teacher Welfare Committee of Edmonton Public Teachers Local No. 37 of the ATA.

 Candidate's Name Address Postal Code

 Phone Home e-mail School e-mail

 Signature Date