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News Release

Candidates Come Forward for 2009 School Board Elections

The Newfoundland and Labrador School Boards Association (NLSBA) has announced the results of the nominations for the 2009 School Board Elections which will take place November 3, 2009. The nomination period was held between October 2 and 8, 2009.

“We are pleased with the number of people who have offered to serve as a school board trustee,” said Brian Shortall, NLSBA Executive Director. “The list of candidates includes a broad representation of our communities. They will make a valuable contribution to the governance of our school boards.”

For each of the school districts involved in the School Board Elections – Eastern, Nova Central, Western and Labrador – there are 15 trustee positions available for a total of 60 across Newfoundland and Labrador. In total, 99 nominations were filed, including 24 women. Each of the school districts will now finalize the locations of the polling stations where elections are required.

The list of candidates by district and a provincial summary are included in the Backgrounder.

With the nomination period now over, the NLSBA is encouraging people to vote on November 3 in areas where elections are required. All those who are 18 or over are eligible to vote. Information on the zone within the district in which they are eligible to vote is available from the local school district.

“Education is everyone’s business and voting in the School Board Elections shows that you care about the quality of education the children of Newfoundland and Labrador receive,” said Mr. Shortall. “School board trustees represent the local community and are the voice of the people in the governance of our education system. Voters should get know the candidates in their area and on November 3, they should get out and vote in the zones where elections are required.”

For further information on the School Board Elections visit www.makethedifference.ca , text SBVOTE 212121, or contact the local school district. The School Board Elections also has its own facebook site at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Johns-NL/Newfoundland-and-Labrador-School-Board-Elections->

[2009/144370701563](#). A video encouraging people to vote will also be posted on YouTube and can be viewed at www.makethedifference.ca.

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Backgrounder

Eastern School District

Zone	# of Trustees	Nominations	Status
1	1	Lloyd Cumben	Acclamation
2	1	Fred G. Douglas	Acclamation
3	1	Rick Martin	Acclamation
4	1	Anne-Furlong	Acclamation
5	1	James J. Hearn	Acclamation
6	1	Milton Peach	Acclamation
7	1	John Brown Marie Mews-Neil Eric A. Snow	Election Required
8	1	Desmond Linehan Sr.	Acclamation
9	1	Christopher P. Hammond Stephen Lee Theresa Lee Roger Ward Pike Wilson Singleton	Election Required
10	1	Scott Fitzgerald James Osborne Derek Winsor	Election Required
11	1	David Dibbon George Joyce	Election Required
12	1	Laurie Coady Sandi Cooze Ron Ellsworth Darrin F. Feehan Jeffery S. MacDonald Alexander Troake	Election Required
13	1	Kenneth Best Kenneth Byrne Colin Walsh	Election Required
14	1	Paul Dube Lorna Gilbert Mel Hong John McCarthy Jerry Rice	Election Required
15	1	Lisa Gray George Sheppard Des Whelan	Election Required

Nova Central School District

Zone	# of Trustees	Nominations	Status
1	1	Rochelle Lane	Acclamation
2	1	Jason Roberts Kirby Canning Hardy Sparkes	Election Required
3	2	Thomas Kendell Elaine Gilbert	Acclamation
4	2	Norris Hemeon Michael Thomas	Acclamation
5	2	Hubert Langdon John George	Acclamation
6	1	George Tiller	Acclamation
7	1	Newman Harris	Acclamation
8	1	Vacant	Vacant
9	1	Vacant	Vacant
10	1	David Oxford	Acclamation
11	2	Kim Cheeks Kerry Noble	Acclamation

Western School District

Zone	# of Trustees	Nominations	Status
1	1	Dennis Normore Delbert Pike	Election Required
2	1	Alonzo Bessey Boyd Noel Scott Burden Gertrude Bromley	Election Required
3	1	Donald Brown	Acclamation
4	2	Chris Aubert Donna Keough Harry Hewitt	Election Required
5	5	Nada Borden B. Paul Wilson Terry Randell Nathalie Pender June Alteen J. Robert Barrett Frances Drover Marilyn Murphy David Taylor Carl Barrett Serge Cormier Patricia Dwyer Malcolm Turner	Election Required
6	3	Brian Foley Wayne Lee	Acclamation 1 Vacancy
7	2	Samuel Fiander Lloyd Mushrow	Acclamation

Labrador School District

Zone	# of Trustees	Nominations	Status
1	5	Glenn Andrews Guy Elliott Kenneth Lawlor Heather Leriche Damian Power	Acclamation
2	5	Bernard Bolger Madelyn Kelly Patricia Loder Sam Mansfield Goronwy Price Donald Singleton Shannon Tobin Regina Vickers Keith Watts	Election Required
3	1	Vacant	Vacant
4	1	Vacant	Vacant
5	1	April Martin	Acclamation
6	1	Jessie Bird-Pardy	Acclamation
7	1	Joan Goudie Wilfred Lane	Election Required

Summary of Results

District	# of Trustees	Nominations	Status
Eastern	15	37	15 Zones Election Required in 8 Acclamations in 7 Vacancies in 0
Nova Central	15	17	11 Zones Election Required in 1 Acclamations in 8 Vacancies in 2
Western	15	27	7 Zones Elections Required in 4 Acclamations in 3 Vacancy in 1 where Acclamations
Labrador	15	18	7 Zones Election Required in 2 Acclamations in 3 Vacancies in 2

Provincial Overview	Elections Required	Acclamations	Vacancies
99 Nominations	15 of 40 Zones	31 positions	5