

President Louis Riel Teachers' Association 121 Hazelwood Crescent Winnipeg, MB R2M 4E4

Dear Association Presidents;

The Louis Riel Teachers' Association is both privileged and honoured to announce the candidacy of Cynthia Taylor for re-election as Member at Large on the Manitoba Teachers' Society's Provincial Executive. As she has demonstrated over her past term as a Member at Large, Cynthia will bring her many leadership skills and vast experience at the local and provincial level to the position where she will continue to work on behalf of all members. Cynthia knows the importance of the work members do and the importance of supporting members in their work.

Cynthia was born, raised and attended public schools within the current boundaries of the Louis Riel School Division. Her teaching career started in 2001 in London, England. Upon her return to Canada in 2002, Cynthia began teaching in the Louis Riel School Division. Cynthia has taught at the Senior Years levels with varied assignments that have included English Language Arts, Computer Science, Teacher Librarian and her current assignment of Student Services teacher at Glenlawn Collegiate. Throughout her career, Cynthia has been involved in many aspects of public education that extend beyond her assignment and classroom.

For the last decade, Cynthia has been a very active leader in the work of the Manitoba Teachers' Society and the Louis Riel Teachers' Association. Provincially, Cynthia has served five years on the Equity and Social Justice Standing Committee. In addition, she has served three years on the Life and Honourary Membership Committee. Cynthia has attended many meetings of our Provincial Council, both as an Association Delegate and as a Provincial Executive member

Most recently, Cynthia has chaired the Equity and Social Justice Standing Committee and is the current chair of the Professional Development Standing Committee. She also serves as SAGE Council Chair, Chair of the Teacher Led Learning Team Liason (TLLT) as well as Regional facilitator to the South East Region. Cynthia has also attended numerous seminars including Collective Bargaining, ESJ, and the MTS Summer Seminars. Cynthia's commitment to her professional organization is steadfast.

Locally, Cynthia's leadership skills are evident as she serves on the LRTA Executive in her current position as Public Relations Chair. Her Public Relations portfolio encompasses the production of the LRTA's newsletter, the Rielity Check, a publication that is appreciated by members both within and outside of the LRTA. Cynthia's

committee work at the Local level has included Personal Professional Development Fund Committee, AGM, Public Relations and Terry Fox.

Beyond her Society and Local involvement, Cynthia is a leader in other aspects of public education. Since its inception ten years ago, Cynthia has served as a Member of the Leadership Team for the Educators of Colour Network. This involvement has seen Cynthia play an active role in the planning and presentation of a variety of events and meetings of the Network. Cynthia has also served as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Manitoba Association of Multicultural Education from 2002 through 2007.

Through all of Cynthia's endeavours, she has proven herself to be an articulate, well versed, and knowledgeable leader. She is industrious, energetic and dedicated in every undertaking and takes pride in leading by example. Cynthia is an engaging individual who is open to ideas and values the input of others. She is analytical, reflective and solution oriented. These characteristics, combined with her varied experiences, make Cynthia Taylor a perfect choice to be a Member at Large on the MTS Provincial Executive as well as a leader amongst the 15 000 members. She will achieve this with the loving support of her two young children and spouse.

Cynthia desires to use her leadership skills and experience for the benefit of all MTS members as a Member at Large on the Provincial Executive. She believes in a Society that embraces and empowers its diverse membership. Cynthia also believes in a Society that constantly strives to support each member and the public school system. Cynthia wants to represent, serve and be a strong voice for all members. Given the current political climate, Cynthia's leadership and genuine concern for members will be an invaluable asset as a Member at Large on the Provincial Executive. I encourage all AGM Delegates to support Cynthia Taylor.

## Cynthia Taylor: "Strength in our Diversity; Strength in our Union"



Sincerely,

Frank Restall President Louis Riel Teachers' Association